

Minister Frances Fitzgerald  
Tánaiste and Minister for Justice and Equality  
Department of Justice and Equality  
51 St Stephens Green  
Dublin 2  
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23<sup>rd</sup> January 2017

*Our Ref M11/0117*

**Re: Motion Agreed at November Meeting of South Dublin County Council (M11/0117)**

Dear Minister,

The following Motion was AGREED at the meeting of South Dublin County Council held on the 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

“That this Council, noting the increased illegal, reckless and unsafe use of scramblers, quad bikes and other similar mechanically propelled vehicles in our Parks across our County and noting the difficulty encountered by An Garda Síochána in bringing successful prosecutions under existing By-Laws, now calls on the Government to introduce primary legislation to regulate the ownership and use of all those vehicles”.

I should be grateful for your comments at your earliest convenience. Please quote reference M11/0117 on any correspondence.

Yours sincerely

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Colm Murphy  
Meeting Administrator,  
Corporate Performance and Change Management.



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Mr. Colm Murphy,  
Corporate Performance and Change Management,  
South Dublin County Council,  
County Hall,  
Tallaght,  
Dublin 24.

8 March 2017

Minister Reference Number: 0126122205

Your Reference Number: 11/0117

Dear Mr. Murphy,

I am directed by the Tánaiste and Minister for Justice and Equality, Ms. Frances Fitzgerald, T.D., to thank you for your correspondence dated 23 January 2017, which contained the following motion, which was agreed at a meeting of South Dublin County Council on 9 January 2017:

"That this Council, noting the increased illegal, reckless and unsafe use of scramblers, quad bikes and other similar mechanically propelled vehicles in our Parks across our County and noting the difficulty encountered by An Garda Síochána in bringing successful prosecutions under existing By-Laws, now calls on the Government to introduce primary legislation to regulate the ownership and use of all those vehicles."

Such a legislative review would involve a review of road traffic legislation, which the responsibility of the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport, Mr. Shane Ross, T.D. As such, your correspondence has been forwarded to the relevant Department for direct reply.

Yours sincerely,

Niall Colgan

Private Secretary to the Tánaiste  
and Minister for Justice and Equality