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agus Rialtais Áitiúil  
Department of Housing, Planning  
and Local Government



Oifig an Aire  
Office of the Minister

Mr Colm Murphy  
South Dublin County Council  
County Hall  
Tallaght  
Dublin 24

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**RE: REP326EM/17**

Dear Mr Murphy

I have been asked by Mr Eoghan Murphy, T.D. Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government to refer to your letter dated the 14 July, 2017 regarding the motion that was agreed at the meeting of South Dublin County Council held on 10 July 2017.

The Minister has asked me to thank you for your correspondence and to say that this issue was recently addressed during the debate on a Private Members Bill which provides for amendments to sections 9 and 10 of the Electoral Act 1992 in order to reduce to sixteen years, the age at which a person would be entitled to register to vote at local and European elections, held in the Seanad on 29 March last. The Seanad passed a motion to defer the conclusion of Second Stage to 31 December 2017. The many issues raised during that debate are under review and will further inform the Government's consideration of this issue.

Yours sincerely,

  
P.P. Niamh Redmond  
Private Secretary



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