

19th February 2021

Ms Miriam Reilly Meetings Administrator South Dublin County Council County Hall Tallaght

Dear Miriam,

Thank you for your letter of the 11th February 2021 advising Congress of a motion passed by the Council at its meeting on the 11th January 2021.

Congress welcomes the motion and we continue as part of our own work to seek the implementation of the recommendations of the Duffy/Cahill report. As the motion points out the experience of the Debenhams workers and indeed the Clery's workers some years prior, has highlighted the need for more balanced regulation.

Over the past 10 months we have engaged directly on several occasions with various Government Ministers including An Taoiseach and An Tánaiste. We have also submitted a most comprehensive set of proposed amendments to the Company Law Review Group for their consideration as we are strongly of the view that current company law needs to be fundamentally amended to address the current deficiencies in relation to the protection of workers in circumstances of Insolvencies and Company Liquidations. This should, we believe, encompass the implementation of the terms of the Duffy/Cahill report.

Could I ask you to convey our thanks to the Councillors in South Dublin County Council for the interest they have shown in this very important issue. It is much appreciated.

Yours sincerely

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