

County Secretary

MD/ZP

17<sup>th</sup> February, 2026

## Memo to All Local Authorities

At the February Meeting of Wexford County Council the Members passed the following motion:

*“That this Council calls on the Government to task Irish Public Bodies (IPB) with the provision of insurance cover for residential and commercial properties that are unable to obtain insurance from commercial insurers due to previous flooding events or because they are located within designated flood risk zones.*

*This Council acknowledges that the risk profile of such properties makes it uneconomic for the private insurance market to provide cover on a commercial basis. In that context, the Council further calls on the Minister for Finance to introduce a modest, ring-fenced insurance levy to establish and support a national flood insurance claims fund, which would underpin the provision of such cover and ensure long term sustainability.*

*This Council believes that access to insurance is essential for the protection of homeowners, businesses, community viability, and local economic resilience, and that a state supported mechanism is required to address this market failure.”*

I would appreciate if you could note the view of the Members and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,



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