## Comhairle Contae Chill Dara Kildare County Council

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Mr. Jim Conway.
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TEGIONAL ASSEMBLY

Re: Material Amendments to the Draft Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy 2019 – 2023

Dear Mr. Conway.

Kildare County Council welcomes the inclusion of the majority of the recommendations made in its submission to the Draft RSES in January 2019. Furthermore, the Council notes, in particular, the objective to prepare a cross boundary Joint Local Area Plan for the Maynooth area and the objective to strengthen the local employment base through the development of MERITS, Millennium Park and the regeneration of underutilised lands in Naas. The Council would appreciate if the word "including" could be inserted into Amendment 44 between the words "base" and "through" as there are other employment lands in the North West Quadrant and in other areas of Naas.

Kildare County Council also welcomes the production of the data and methodology behind the asset based approach to determining settlement designation, to assist in the preparation of the Core Strategy for the forthcoming County Development Plan review/variation, and the commitment of the Assembly to have this available with the publication of the RSES.

Yours faithfully,

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Planning Section.