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Area in which you reside. Specific addresses are not needed. Waterford City

Question 1 How might alteration of the boundary help or hinder the retention or creation of employment and the general economic performance of the area? A birds eye view of Waterford City confirms at a glance the skewed evolution and development of the city. A lack of development has stifled, stunted and stagnated economic growth in the adjacent northern city lands heretofore. Enlargement can only enhance economic performance.

Question 2 How might the alteration of the boundary help or hinder the identity or cohesion of local communities in the area? Canvassing in the recent EU elections in the housing estates of the proposed enlargement areas revealed that many residents are indeed from Waterford City originally. For this demographic, identity and cohesion can only be enhanced. For resident outsiders availing of local employment in the Waterford area, cohesion will probably be enhanced. For deep rooted families of the area, adaption would probably be anathema, emotionally.

Question 3 How might alteration of the boundary help or hinder delivery of services by local government to ensure that the needs of the local community are met now and in the future? From canvassing in the housing estates of the proposed enlargement areas, most people felt forgotten about by Kilkenny City bases politicians and officials. Services can only be enhanced for local communities by enlargement.

Question 4 How might alteration of the administrative boundary help or hinder the need to maximise efficiency and value for money in local government? A question for Local Government economists and academics to answer.

Question 5 How might alteration of the boundary help or hinder the Planning and Development needs, as administered by the local authority, of the community? But for the NRA, Waterford would still be connected to Dublin by an enhanced cart track. The recent proposed Green-belt to surround the City could never be completed without the cooperation of KK Co. Co. Such Development has been completely bereft of cooperation as starkly manifest by conventional City maps down through all ages.

Question 6 How might alteration of the boundary help or hinder the delivery of effective and accountable democratic representation? A larger population in Waterford City would require a review of current representation levels for Waterford and a converse one for KK. Local government representation can only be enhanced for the annexed population, now much closer to the seat of power and emotionally connected to that seat.

Question 7 What strengths or weaknesses do you see in current local authority administrative boundary arrangements in the area? Strengths ---- very limited. Weaknesses -- Strategic, economic, community and recreational developments have not materialised at anywhere near their full potential under current boundary arrangements. This will not change into the future under the current status quo.

Is there anything else you wish to add ? Change requires much PR work well in advance highlighting/communicating the benefits of adopting such change. Has Waterford Co. done the necessary work??

Deputy Aylward's recent negative comments stated that there would be serious consequences for the residents of the area in question without specifying what any of these consequences would be. Could you please enquire what these serious consequences are and publicise Waterford's response to his heretofore unsubstantiated but thwarting emotional claims.

Enlargement would provide the green space required to kick-start a progressive Green-Belt to surround our city, an inducement for change and an enhancement for all.

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