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Area in which you reside. Specific addresses are not needed. Glenmore

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? I do not think that altering the boundary will help in any way in relation to employment or economic development. How would it??

Question 2 How might the alteration of the boundary help or hinder the identity or cohesion of local communities in the area? I think any alteration of the boundary will seriously negatively affect the identity of the local community, especially Slieverue which will be fragmented by any boundary change that would encroach on this area.

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? I do not feel there is any benefit whatsoever to the delivery of services by local government by altering the boundary. If there was any merit in this whatsoever then Dublin County boundary would extend to Maynooth, Naas and Bray by now!! Instead Local Authorities in the Greater Dublin Area (Dublin City, Fingal, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown, Wicklow Co Co, Kildare Co Co, Meath Co Co and Louth Co Co) work very well together and co-operate on lots of projects without any boundary change. Surely Waterford and Kilkenny Co Cos could do the same!!

Question 4 How might alteration of the administrative boundary help or hinder the need to maximise efficiency and value for money in local government? Again see above. Co-operation between local authorities will maximise efficiency and value for money.

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? Again see above. Planning and Development in the Greater Dublin Area is done very well by co-operation and collaboration between local authorities.

Question 6 How might alteration of the boundary help or hinder the delivery of effective and accountable democratic representation? There is no doubt that any boundary change will have a negative effect on the democratic representation of South Kilkenny.

Question 7 What strengths or weaknesses do you see in current local authority administrative boundary arrangements in the area? I think Kilkenny County Council have done a good job in the area, especially in terms of road construction, the local library etc. There is always room for improvement but I don't see how Waterford County Council could do any better

Is there anything else you wish to add ? I would love to know how much this Waterford Local Government Review is costing?

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