Bellevue Residents Association

c/o R.M. Doherty, Gorteens, Ferrybank, Via Waterford.

The Secretariat,
Waterford Boundary Review,
City Hall
Waterford.
X91PK15.

11th January 2016.

Re: Proposed Boundary extension into Co Kilkenny.

To Whom It May Concern:

Bellevue Residents Association refers to the above application and wishes to make the following submission regarding the proposal:

The Bellevue and adjacent hinder-land has seen much development over the past number of years. The <u>Ferrybank/Belview Local Area Plan</u> has been put in place by Kilkenny County Council to ensure that this development takes place in a proper and orderly fashion to integrate this development into a predominately rural landscape. This plan has been compiled with the co-operation of industry, local residents, the I.D.A. and the planners from both Kilkenny County Council & Waterford City & County Council. This system can continue to cater for the future planning requirements of the lands adjacent to Waterford City north of the river Suir.

Other plans for this area (environs of Waterford City north of the river Suir) have also been published (P.L.U.T.S.) in co-operation with the two local authorities to serve as a guideline for future planning of the area. This type of co-operation in planning the future infrastructure for this area has already proven to be highly successful and is far superior than allowing one single local authority complete control over the area. As the majority of the proposed boundary extension area consists of a rural environment we feel that Kilkenny County Council, with their experience of planning in rural areas have the edge in these matters. One only has to look at the new industrial / development areas of Waterford City to see that they are a long way away from coming up to the standards set out in the Bellevue area.

The Regional Assembly system was put in place to cater for the regional interests, across county boundaries. There is no need for altering County boundaries when every County works towards the interests of the region as a whole.

A boundary extension is not the way forward. A boundary co-operation between all is the future for this area. Remember the tax we all pay in P.A.Y.E., V.A.T etc. etc. knows no boundaries but will always find its way to Central Government. Let's work together to get our combined share back to be spent in our own area.

Yours truly, on behalf of the Bellevue Residents Association

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