



8th September 2020,

Ref: Boyne Greenway, Drogheda to Mornington Co Meath and Co Louth.

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write in support of the Boyne Greenway, Drogheda to Mornington Co. Meath and Co. Louth. I am originally from Drogheda, and have been living in both Mornington and more recently Bettystown for over 26 years. On many occasions in the past the residents have been frustrated by the lack of planning around supply of schools and essential services, and over time the planning has eventually caught up. On this occasion we have the opportunity in East Meath and Louth to provide a significant family amenity, which can be enjoyed by young and old, and all the while make a positive contribution to all our lives.

It is proven that activity and exercise provide an anti-dote to stress and mental health issues. This has become even clearer for all to see during lockdown, when outdoor recreational space increased in value across all spectrums of life and our community. **Outdoor now represents safety, healthy and social.**

The addition of this Greenway will make a positive significant contribution to our community and the health and well-being of its inhabitants. It will also over time provide an economic boost to the region, as a bolt on to our fabulous beaches and coastline. The success of Greenways across Europe has impacted positively on so many lives, and there is no doubt this Boyne Greenway will also do likewise.

We have an asset on our doorstep known internationally now as 'The Boyne Valley', we can showcase this asset by developing the Boyne Greenway, and offer our citizens an amenity which their families and future families can enjoy and be proud of for years to come.

Yours Sincerely,