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19<sup>th</sup> October 2012

**Re: Draft Clongriffin- Belmayne Proposed Alterations to the Draft Local Area Plan 2012-18**

Dear Tom,

The National Transport Authority (“the Authority”) welcomes the opportunity to comment on the draft Clongriffin- Belmayne proposed alterations to the local area plan 2012-18.

The Dublin Transport Authority Act 2008 provides that each planning authority within the GDA shall ensure that its local area plans are consistent with the Greater Dublin Area Transport Strategy for the period 2011-2030. The Authority has published a draft Transport Strategy and the final document has been submitted to the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport for approval. While the Transport Strategy is a draft document, the Authority bases its observations on the policies, objectives and measures contained within the draft Transport Strategy.

In its submission on the draft Clongriffin Belmayne LAP, the Authority stated that it was “*satisfied that the draft Clongriffin Belmayne LAP is consistent with the NTA’s draft Transport Strategy*”. The Authority further stated that “*the draft LAP provides for the delivery of a cross rail street connection into the Baldoyle Stapolin LAP area....It is the view of the Authority that a pedestrian, cycling and public transport only link at this location is appropriate and should be considered as a medium to long term objective in the draft LAP*”.

The Authority is satisfied that the proposed alterations are consistent with the Authority’s draft Transport Strategy. The Authority reiterates its position on the cross rail street connection and that it should be considered as a medium to long term objective in the draft LAP.

The Authority requests your consideration of the above comments.

Yours sincerely,



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**Hugh Creegan**

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