



17th December 2015

For the Attention of: Kevin Kelly, Chief Executive, Galway County Council.

Galway County Council,
County Hall,
Prospect Hill,
Galway

**Section 31 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended
by the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010
Decision to Issue a Direction relating the
Headford Local Area Plan 2015-2021**

Dear Chief Executive,

I am writing to you in connection with the draft Ministerial Direction of 20 October 2015 relating to the Headford Local Area Plan 2015-2021.

I have now considered the report and recommendation prepared by you pursuant to s.31 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. I have also considered the written submissions and observations received on the notice of intent to issue a Ministerial Direction in relation to the Headford Local Area Plan 2015-2021.

Having considered the said report and recommendations I have decided (i) that no material amendment to the draft direction of October 2015 is required, and (ii) that further investigation is not necessary in order to clarify any aspect of the report or submissions.

TAKE NOTICE that on 17th day of December, 2015 I have issued a Direction pursuant to Section 31 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended).

A copy of this Direction is attached to this letter.



STEPS TO BE TAKEN

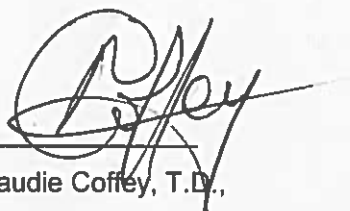
In light of the foregoing the Planning Authority is required, pursuant to Section 31(2) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) to comply with this Direction.

The Headford Local Area Plan 2015-2021 must therefore be altered as indicated in the attached Direction, and the Planning Authority should ensure that copies of the Development Plan as altered are available for inspection at its offices and on its website.

The Planning Authority should also publish notice of the making of the Direction and alteration to the Plan, and post a copy of such notice on its website.

My officials remain available to assist you, as necessary, in complying with the foregoing process.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Coffey', written over a horizontal line.

Paudie Coffey, T.D.,

Minister for Housing, Planning and Co-ordination of Construction 2020

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