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Ms Naomi Stocks
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Dear Ms Stocks

Petitions Committee – Town Centre Improvement Scheme in Fishguard

I refer to your letter of the 18 July regarding the above and addressed to Mr Bryn Parry-Jones, Chief Executive.

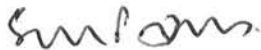
The County Council has responded to the Minister for Economy, Science and Transport (2 July) and received a response dated 18 July; copy enclosed.

Whilst the County Council welcomes the publication of the 'Vibrant and Viable Places' regeneration framework, and has actively engaged in the consultation process and briefing sessions, it is clear from the more recent guidance that only projects with a significant housing component are likely to be considered for Welsh Government funding. As such, and following feedback from officials in the Housing and Regeneration department, the County Council has submitted a stage 1 'Strategic Outline Case' for a project in Milford Haven.

If the criteria for Vibrant and Viable Places are being further reviewed, and there is an opportunity to secure Welsh Government funding to facilitate the link road that will address both the highway safety and retail potential of Fishguard, the County Council would be happy to submit a further Stage 1 application.

Indeed, following the recent development of a Town Team in Fishguard – led by the Chamber of Trade and Tourism and Town Council – this would be particularly welcome.

Yours sincerely



Dr S P Jones
Director of Development

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Dear Minister

Fishguard Link Road

I am writing further to the recent email from County Councillor Pat Davies regarding the above, and your response dated 20 June 2013.

Your letter refers to the fact that the link road is not currently identified as a trunk road priority, and suggests that it may be possible to access funding for this scheme through the Welsh Government's 'Vibrant and Viable Places' regeneration framework.

Having considered the 'Vibrant and Viable Places' guidance document, received feedback from the recent Welsh Government seminars on the framework, and discussed the matter with officers from the Housing and Regeneration directorate, it would seem that the scheme would not score well.

Clearly, we remain concerned and focussed on finding a solution for the Link Road, which is an outstanding component of the Welsh Government supported Fishguard and North Pembrokeshire Regeneration Plan.

As such, the County Council would welcome further discussion with your officials on how this scheme may be brought forward.

Yours sincerely

Dr S P Jones
Director of Development

Copy to: Ian Westley
(Director of Transportation, Housing and Environment)

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18 July 2013

Dear Dr Jones,

Thank you for your letter of 2 July, sent in response to my letter of 20 June to Cllr Pat Davies, regarding Fishguard Link Road.

Due to pressures on budgets, I am only able to support a limited number of priorities for road improvements. On 10 July I made a statement on my priorities for key road projects that will be delivered over the coming years.

I agreed to fund the SWWITCH Delivery Plan for 13/14 earlier this year and I note that this scheme was not put forward for funding. You may wish to discuss the prioritisation of this project with the SWWITCH team and the other local authorities.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Edwina Hart'.

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