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Ref: EIR / 2302

11 February 2019

Mr Enagh Youth Forum

Email: @gmail.com

Dear Mr

## **Environmental Information Regulations 2004 Request Prehen Boathouse**

Thank you for your correspondence regarding Prehen Boathouse and the Council plans for the development of the site.

Further to this I can advise that Derry City and Strabane District Council (DCSDC) through the Health and Community Committee has given consideration to the future development of Prehen Boathouse. The report presented on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018 sought approval for the development of a feasibility study/business case and following a procurement exercise, this work is now ongoing.

Grant aid of £120,000 has been secured through Sport NI towards the development of a pontoon at the Boathouse, with further match funding agreed by DCSDC on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2018. This equates an overall development fund of £600,000 for the completion of the pontoon and supporting changing and access works. The appointment of the design team is currently ongoing following a previously unsuccessful process. I enclose an example of the public advert for Design Services for New Pontoon at Prehen Boathouse.

The Prehen site is also included within the wider city investment proposition, with consideration being given to the potential for a wider private sector led development brief for the site following consideration by the Governance and Strategic Planning Committee on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

The Council is supporting the development of a Foyle Forum, a network of user/interest groups to assist with design/development input and deliver future programming. The development of outdoor recreation in its widest context across

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the District Council area will also form an integral part of the new Sport and Physical Activity Strategy currently in the initial phases of development.

If you are dissatisfied with our response you have rights of review and appeal; these rights consist of two review processes.

Firstly our internal review procedure is available by contacting:

John Kelpie Chief Executive Derry City and Strabane District Council 98 Strand Road Derry BT48 7NN Tel 028 71253253 or email john.kelpie@derrystrabane.com

Secondly, you can appeal directly by contacting the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow CHESHIRE SK9 5AF Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or email: <u>casework@ico.org.uk</u>

I would advise however, the Information Commissioner has indicated that a review will not be undertaken unless the Council has first had an opportunity to re-consider its decision.

Yours sincerely

## **Director of Health & Community**

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