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## RE: Proposed 2024 Amendment of the Cherrywood SDZ Planning Scheme 2014 (as amended), **Town Centre & Environs Amendment**

Dear Ms. Devine,

Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) works closely with the National Transport authority (NTA) and Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council on monitoring the implementation of the Cherrywood SDZ Planning Scheme. This important activity promotes sustainable modal choice, addresses potential adverse impacts on capacity, efficiency and safety of the national road network and ensures the efficient and effective operation of Luas to serve the development area and Dublin City.

Project Ireland 2040, National Development Plan 2021 - 2030, sets out the key sectoral priority of maintaining Ireland's existing national road network to a robust and safe standard for users. Government also includes the objective to maintain the strategic capacity and safety of the national roads network, including planning for future capacity enhancements, in National Strategic Outcome 2 of the National Planning Framework. This requirement is further reflected in the existing Statutory Section 28 Spatial Planning and National Roads Guidelines for Planning Authorities (DoECLG, 2012). TII seeks to ensure that these official national objectives are not undermined and that the anticipated benefits of the investment made in the national road network are not jeopardised. In the vicinity of Cherrywood SDZ, the M50 and N/M11 are heavily trafficked and critical national transport infrastructure. Therefore, it is important that the transport mitigations of the adopted Cherrywood SDZ Planning Scheme are maintained.

Transport Infrastructure Ireland has reviewed final draft text for the proposed amendment. TII considers, that subject to maintaining the transport controls of the adopted Planning Scheme, this proposed amendment is appropriate and acceptable.

Yours faithfully,

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