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# Foreword

IT may have been the case in the past that some local authorities perceived the preparation of a Development Plan more as a statutory requirement rather than an opportunity to inform the public regarding its development policies and objectives. However, in recent years there has been a notable increase in community involvement in the affairs of their local authority, particularly in relation to key documents such as the County Development Plan. Sligo County Council welcomes the active participation of the public in the preparation of the Development Plan, and there has been an encouraging level of interest shown during the public consultation process.

I am delighted to be associated with this inclusive approach to the preparation of the County Development Plan, which I feel is reflected in the accessible, user-friendly language used throughout the publication. An important aspect of the Plan is that it highlights the requirements for well-considered and quality development in the special County of Sligo.

The County Development Plan must remain the core document for directing development and reversing population and socio-economic decline. Following on from the publication of the National Spatial Strategy and the Regional Planning Guidelines, Sligo is well placed to benefit from an unprecedented period of expansion and improved customer services. In pursuing these ambitious goals, it is imperative that we keep the ideal of sustainable development uppermost, so that we may build on the County's rich legacies of environment, competitive industry, education and health care services, and vibrant culture.

I commend this County Development Plan as a most positive document. I trust it will serve the needs of all those who want to understand where we now stand in development terms and where it is envisioned we might be in 2020.

**Councillor Patsy Barry**  
Cathaoirleach



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