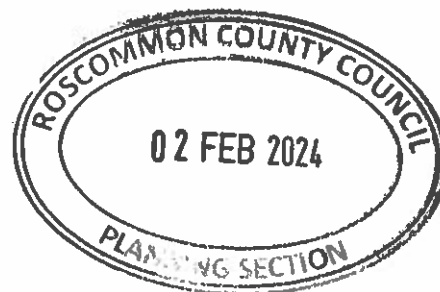


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1<sup>st</sup> of February 2024

Dear Sirs,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing on behalf of Image Furnishings, a business deeply rooted in the Roscommon Town community, with a significant presence in the Killarney Townland area. We have recently learned about the proposed de-zoning of the said area and feel compelled to express our concerns regarding this matter.

Image Furnishings has been an integral part of the local economy for the last 20 years, employing 45 dedicated individuals who contribute to the community's prosperity. Our commitment to providing quality products and services has not only helped us thrive but has also supported numerous local jobs. The de-zoning of Killarney Townland could potentially have far-reaching implications not only for our business but also for the livelihoods of the hardworking individuals who depend on us for employment.

Moreover, we want to bring to your attention that Image Furnishings has recently been granted planning permission for a significant development in the area. The approved project entails the construction of a 3-story extension to the side of a previously granted warehouse (Planning Ref. PD/20/548). This extension includes vital components such as new administrative offices, product development space, a staff canteen, rest areas, toilets, and additional storage. The project also involves the connection to existing utility services, a new car parking layout, landscaping, and boundary treatment, along with all associated site development works at Killarney Townland, Roscommon, Co. Roscommon.

Regrettably, in light of the proposed rezoning, we are left with no choice but to put this substantial capital investment on hold. If the rezoning goes ahead, it would not be in our best interest to proceed with this development. This decision not only impacts our business but also hinders the realization of our 5-year plan, which includes expansion to further contribute to the local economy and create additional job opportunities.

We understand the importance of responsible urban planning and development. However, we kindly request that the potential impact on existing businesses and planned investments, such as ours, be thoroughly considered in the decision-making process. We believe that a collaborative approach that takes into account the interests of both the community and local businesses is crucial for sustainable and inclusive development.

Image Furnishings is proud to be a part of Roscommon Town, and we remain committed to contributing to its growth and prosperity. We sincerely hope that our concerns, along with the implications of the rezoning on our approved development and 5-year plan, will be given careful consideration during the decision-making process. We are open to engaging in any discussions that could help find a balanced solution that benefits all stakeholders involved.

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



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