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Dear Deputy O'Donoghue,

I wish to refer to your correspondence dated 23rd February 2024 in connection with the Development Contribution Waiver Scheme, which has been referred to me by Minister Darragh O'Brien.

On 25th April 2023, the Government approved additional measures under the Housing for All Action Plan to incentivise the activation of increased housing supply and help reduce housing construction costs, including the introduction of temporary timelimited arrangements for the waiving of local authority "section 48" development contributions and the refunding of Uisce Éireann water and waste water connection charges.

The schemes apply for 1 year to all permitted residential development that commences on site between 25th April 2023 (the date of the Government Decision approving the measure) and 24th April 2024, and is completed not later than 31st December 2025.

It is not proposed to extend the terms or timeline of the scheme beyond those as approved by the Government in its Decision of 25th April 2023.



I trust this clarifies the position.

Yours sincerely,

Kieran O'Donnell

Minister of State for Planning and Local Government