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26 March 2026

RE: Publication of an Issues Paper for Consultation on the Review and Preparation of a New Regional and Spatial Economic Strategy (RSES) for the Southern Region.

Dear Sinead,

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 31 of the Planning and Development Act 2024 (as amended) that the Southern Regional Assembly (SRA) intends to commence a review of a Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy (RSES) for the Southern Region including three Metropolitan Area Strategic Plans (MASPs) for Cork, Limerick-Shannon and Waterford. A copy of the public notice is hereby enclosed.

The purpose of the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy (RSES) and MASPs is to support the implementation of the Revised National Planning Framework (*Project Ireland 2040*) and the economic policies and objectives of the Government by providing a long-term strategic planning and economic framework for the development of the region over a period of between 10 years and 20 years.

In order to stimulate debate and encourage participation in the process, Issues Papers have been prepared by the Assembly and are available to view or download on its website at <https://southernassembly.ie/rses-review/>



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The Assembly invites observations in writing, focusing on strategic spatial planning and economic issues for the region. Observations can be made **in writing by 5pm on Friday, 22 May 2026** via one of the following media:

Online: consult.southernassembly.ie

Email: rses@southernassembly.ie

Post: RSES Submissions, Southern Regional Assembly, Assembly House,
O'Connell Street, Waterford X91 K256

The Assembly will consider all observations made before preparing a Draft Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy.

The Assembly would be grateful if a copy of the Public Notice and Issues Papers could be displayed within your Local Authority Headquarters during the public consultation period, to inform and assist the public on the RSES review process. In this regard, we will contact the Senior Planner and send a copy of the public notice and copies of the Issues Paper with a request to facilitate the display of these documents.

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David Kelly

Director, Southern Regional Assembly

