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Message Body: Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission to you in relation to the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy. I would encourage consideration of the following two issues. The first is proper water and rain water collection infrastructure included in all road works and road upgrades, and also as specific stand alone work. This would conserve what is rapidly becoming a precious resource and has the added benefits of reducing topsoil erosion, helps reduce degradation of the road surfaces, prevents flooding and associated road hazards. I would would encourage incentives for private individuals and businesses to collect rainwater as this would reduce greatly the strain on water supply. The second issue I would encourage to be considered is adequate cycle and walk paths between towns and villages, with a view to improving safety and encouraging more people to leave their car at home. This would reduce congestion and carbon emissions. The benefit of both issues is that one set of road works could incorporate rain water collection and rerouting works as well as creating cycle and walk paths. A combined approach would be efficient and effective and have a direct beneficial impact on life quality and the environment. Many thanks again for considering this submission.

Yours Sincerely,

Marlene ffrench Mullen

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