Mr Barry Flynn BCC Development Committee City Hall Belfast

24/10/12

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Dear Mr Flynn,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Gaeltacht Quarter Board to invite your committee to send a fact-finding, familiarisation delegation to the Gaeltacht Quarter to meet with members of our board and to gather information for the committee's benefit on the citywide and regional asset which is still to be fully developed in line with the recommendations of the Dutton and Deloitte reports.

At our board meeting last night, 23/10/12, a decision was made to ask Forbairt Feirste to provide a secretarial service for the board in light of the board's current lack of resources, Forbairt will remain as the point of contact with the Gaeltacht Quarter Board until the issue of resources is resolved.

You will be aware of our board's ongoing engagement with officers of the council over recent years and of the recent presentation to your committee by our chair Ciarán Mackle.

In order to add to momentum to our engagement with council and to prepare for enhanced council functions, particularly those in relation to area planning and economic development, we think it essential that representatives of your committee engage with the Gaeltacht Quarter and its board.

I would be grateful if you could contact me at your convenience to progress this request.

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Jake MacSiacais

Stiúrthóir Forbairt Feirste

On behalf of the Gaeltacht Quarter Board