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## Invitation to Project Promoters & Community Groups Re: Alignment of Local Government & Local Development

You may recall that following the publication in October 2012 of Minister Hoganøs reform proposals in *Putting People First – Action Programme for Effective Local Government'* - SKDP held a number of community meetings on the issue in February 2013 and a large public meeting in the CYMS Hall in Killorglin in May 2013.

Over the last two months ó there have been a number of serious developments on the alignment issue - that could have very far reaching consequences for SKDP and the work we do in South Kerry. These recent developments could make it impossible for SKDP to survive and continue to provide the range of economic, community and social supports it delivers to communities in South Kerry. I attach a one page briefing document that synopsises the issues.

<u>In order to fully brief our communities and project beneficiaries on recent developments ó</u> SKDP will hold four public meetings as follows

Tuesday April 1<sup>st</sup> - 8pm – The Ring of Kerry Hotel Cahersiveen
Wednesday April 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8pm – Brooklane Hotel Kenmare
Tuesday April 8<sup>th</sup> - 8pm – Travel Inn Killarney
Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup> – 8pm – SKDP Offices Library Place Killorglin.

These meetings will provide a detailed briefing to all groups on recent developments and their potential impact on the work of SKDP in South Kerry. There will also be an opportunity for you to ask questions/ make contributions from the floor. Action to be taken by communities in response to the latest developments will be agreed.

These meetings are vitally important and I would urge you to please attend your local meeting to show your support for South Kerry Development Partnership Ltd and the work that we do in South Kerry. Otherwise there is a real danger that the community led bottom up approach to local economic & community development, as implemented by SKDP, will be lost to South Kerry.

I look forward to seeing you at your local meeting.

Yours Sincerely

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Noel Spillane Chief Executive Officer

March 24th 2014

Kevin Griffin, Eugene Dennehy, Angela Hallissey, John Quill, George Kelly, Una OgNeill, Donald Lynch, John Joe OgBrien, Pat OgDriscoll, John Donworth, Jerry Moloney, John OgConnor, John J. OgConnor, Seán OgSuilleabhain, Cllr. Michael OgShea, Cllr. Michael Cahill, Cllr. Johnny Healy-Rae, Cllr. Cllr. Donal Grady, Angela McAllen

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