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Submission to new Leitrim County Development Plan. Shannon Erne Connectivity route.

The Ballinamore Development Company wish to submit that the Shannon Erne Connectivity Route be prioritised as a strategic objective in the Economic Development part of the County Development Plan for the following reasons :

1. It provides major strategic connectivity between the existing and emerging tourism infrastructure at the Shannon and the Erne/Ulster Canal.
2. It is essential to support the objectives of the Junction Project in Ballinamore and this trail makes a natural resting point along this 53km Leitrim to Belturbet route.
3. This particular route is highlighted by Waterways Ireland and Failte Ireland and is likely to attract national funding and early delivery. Approx 40% of the route is in place making the remainder a very cost effective proposal.
4. It supports the objectives in the current Leitrim Tourism Development Plan for 'slow, adventure tourism'.
5. It aligns with many national policies for Economic development in rural areas and sustainable travel policies.

On Behalf of Ballinamore Development Company.

Peter Reynolds, Chairman.
Michael Dolan, Secretary.
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