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Dear Mr. Kelly,

Many thanks for your letter of 25 March 2025 regarding the resolution passed by Kilkenny County Council in relation to transgender inclusion in sport.

In recent times, the inclusion and eligibility of transgender and non-binary people within sport has become an important issue for sports organisations around the world.

As set out in the National Sport Policy, we believe in a Sport-for-All approach. In light of this, Sport Ireland, following detailed stakeholder consultation, published a guidance document regarding transgender and non-binary inclusion in sport and physical activity in early 2024. The document is available at the following link: [Guidance for Transgender and Non-Binary Inclusion in Sport | Sport Ireland](#).

My Department and Sport Ireland have also engaged actively with Government colleagues on the development of the National LGBTI+ Inclusion Successor Strategy.

In addition, Sport Ireland has developed a suite of resources to support the sector, reflecting the ever-evolving nature of the environment, in which the policies will operate. Sport Ireland will continue to engage with the sport sector to see how they can best support sporting organisations in relation to this issue.

Several sports, such as rugby, also have produced their own guidelines on transgender and non-binary inclusion in sport. However, it must be noted that National Governing Bodies of Sport (NGBs) are autonomous in their decision making and it should also be acknowledged that, for many sports, their International Federations set the policies that they need to adhere to.

I trust that this information is beneficial.

Kind regards,

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Subject: Kilkenny County Council - Notice of Motion 04-2025

Good Afternoon,

I refer to a resolution which was passed by the Members of Kilkenny County Council at their Plenary Meeting in March [*See Attached*].

The Members have requested that a letter be sent to your Department.

I would be obliged if you would let me have your response on this matter at your earliest opportunity.

Many Thanks.

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