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Submission: Athlone Chamber of Commerce and Industry would like to endorse the Submission being made by Destination Athlone. In the compilation of the submission all the participants of the Destination Athlone initiative were involved with additional and hugely important engagement from the Pharma, ICT, Medtech and Global Business Services industries in the Region.

We also are aware of and supportive of IBECs submission on foot of the Draft RSES.

Athlone Chamber of Commerce are keen to see the process of implementing the National Planning Framework 2040 intentions for the Midlands Region realised : "Given the importance of regional inter dependencies, it will be necessary to prepare a co-ordinated strategy for Athlone at both regional and town level, to ensure that the town and environs has the capacity to grow sustainably and to secure investment, as the key regional centre in the Midlands."

We would like to commend the NWRA on the draft plan.