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Consultation on Social Enterprise letter.docx

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**From:** Annette Maughan [redacted]  
**Sent:** 14 May 2019 17:30  
**To:** DRCD Info  
**Subject:** Consultation on Social Enterprise

Please see attached letter in relation to the Consultation on Social Enterprise from IRD North Mayo West Sligo Ltd,

Regards

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**Re; Public Consultation on Social Enterprise**

To whom it concerns,

In relation to the Ballina Costume Company CSP (Social Enterprise), Moy Valley Resources IRD, itself a Charitable Organisation, wishes to express it's deep respect for the project as a Social Enterprise as well as the professional service it provides.

The Costume Company has long been a stalwart of Ballinas Community sector, led by a determined and empowering Manager, Jane Crean.

The Company provides a unique service in Ballina and is renowned for its involvement in community events and activities, it's support for festivals and events by voluntary committees as well as supporting other CSP and Charitable organisations through networking opportunities and project co-ordination.

The Ballina Costume Company delivers more than just a costume hiring service as it provides a workplace for those who would otherwise be far removed from the workforce, offering a route to employment, maintenance and improvement of skills, support for long-term unemployed in returning to the workforce as well as opening opportunities for involvement in community projects, offering social inclusion for staff and building confidence in the community as a whole.

As with many CSPs or Social Enterprises, the Company, being run on a limited budget and limited supports, faces many challenges while the value to the locality can be underestimated by those not involved in the sector. This can be said of most Social Enterprises.

We at Moy Valley Resources are delighted to work in co-operation with the Ballina Costume Company manager on a number of projects in Ballina and we will continue to support and seek the support of the Company in our shared vision of making Ballina a better place to live, work and play.

Sincerely,

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Annette Maughan, C.E.O.