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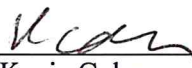
18<sup>th</sup> September, 2018

To/ **Each Local Authority**

At a Special Meeting of Sligo County Council, the following resolution was unanimously agreed:

*“Sligo County Council calls on the Government to intervene now to prevent An Post using a very restrictive anti-rural definition of a “settlement” taken from the Central Statistics Office 2016 census report, as part of the criteria for establishing a post office in an area. An Post has stated that no settlement of over 500 people will be left without a post office. A settlement is defined as “having a minimum of 50 occupied dwellings, with a maximum distance between any dwelling and the building closest to it of 100 metres, and where there is evidence of an urban centre.” This is too restrictive and rules out vast areas of rural Ireland including many medium sized towns”.*

The Members asked that a copy would also be circulated to each local authority.

  
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