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Sir

A greenway on the closed railway from Athenry to Collooney will not only protect this publicly owned route in perpetuity it will help fulfill National Policy objective number 6 and in particular national policy objective 23 as detailed in National Planning Framework draft policy document. I am asking that the Western Rail Trail becomes a named and specified project as part of the final National Planning Framework policy document.

On top of this, it would be a great asset to the area, and a great environmental benefit to wildlife.

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## Paul Ridley