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**Subject:** Ardee mid louth

Dear Npf,

As a local councillor for Ardee Mid Louth alongside and representing the Ardee Traders association and the general public, I was extremely disappointed that the proposed Ardee By Pass was not part of the TII capital plan review expenditure released as part of the increased budget available to the Department of Transport following Budget 2018.

The Ardee Bypass is a vital infrastructure project for the people of Ardee and Mid Louth, traffic congestion in particular has become unbearable in the town itself, having a major impact on the traders of the town. The Bypass would finally give the town the opportunity to reach its potential, in particular it will rid the town of the unwanted congestion and HGV traffic that has plighted trade in the town over the last number of years. The proposed Ardee bypass scheme is approximately 4.5km in length, running from Mandistown in County Meath to a new junction with the N2 just north of Ardee, providing a western bypass of the town,

I also believe significant investment is required for the Ardee Castle to boost tourism figures in the area, we have very little rented rooms available through B&B's and hotels and I believe targeted investment in those areas for more rural areas and smaller towns would make a massive difference.

I also believe that the IDA should have more involvement with the Town of Ardee to help create employment which would be a great help to the local economy, Ardee was always a thriving industrial Town and something is needed to help rejuvenate this area.

I hope that you consider my submission in the overall framework for the town of Ardee.

Cllr Dolores Minogue Ardee Mid Louth Area

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