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Thank you for your recent letter regarding the Slane Bypass. I understand your concern that the project will not be prioritised by the NRA should An Bord Pleanala give planning permission. The NRA has however recently confirmed the importance of the Bypass and the safety considerations attached to the Scheme.

I have issued a press release which was aired on Imfm this week. I have also enclosed the press release with this letter. In the event of a positive decision from An Bord Pleanala, something that I would be confident of, I intend to lobby my colleague Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport Leo Varadkar TD and the NRA for funding.

The Government are undertaking a review of Capital Expenditure Programmes but the funding available will be directed towards the provision of safety measures. Something which the NRA has recognised is necessary for Slane and the Bypass Scheme.

I will continue to work for and on behalf of you and the residents of Slane. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss anything.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shane McEntee". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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