

The attention of Dublin City Council's senior management has been drawn to comments made by an official of the City Council and reported in today's Irish Times in response to '**Sustainable Urban Housing: Design Standards for New Apartments**', which was launched yesterday by Minister for the Environment, Community & Local Government.

The comments, while made in a personal capacity, are both inappropriate and regrettable and do not reflect the views and opinions of management of the City Council.

Management of the City Council acknowledges that these new Guidelines are directed at improving housing supply. It is further noted that the Guidelines include a range of new design standards for apartments, many of which are consistent with the changes that have already been introduced in the Draft Dublin City Development Plan, which is currently under review and out on public consultation.

Ends.