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Dear Alderman/Councillor

**Ballycastle Shared Education Campus – Planning Ref No LA01/2020/0561/F  
Request to be placed on the agenda for the CC&GBC Planning Committee  
meeting for May 2021**

I write in my capacity as Senior Responsible Owner (SRO) for the Ballycastle Shared Education Campus project which was announced by the Minister of Education in July 2014. This project is a £50M investment in shared education within your Council area, and will see new and unique facilities created for the benefit of 1,180 pupils in the Ballycastle area. The Planning Application for this major project was submitted on 28 May 2020.

The project recently underwent a Gateway Review Stage 3 assessment, led by an independent 3-person Review Panel, as part of its good governance requirements. One of the recommendations from the Review's report was that I, as SRO, should write to councillors to offer a site visit in advance of our planning application coming before your Committee.

It is hoped that the planning application will be brought for consideration to the Planning Committee meeting on 23 June 2021 and we would value a decision being taken at that meeting. I am therefore writing in advance of the meeting to offer councillors the opportunity to visit the site in late May or early June to enable you to gain an understanding of any site-related issues.

Should councillors wish to avail of this offer I would appreciate it if you could agree a preferred date/time from the council's perspective and contact Stephen Boyle ( [REDACTED] ) who would be happy to organise arrangements for the visit.

Yours sincerely



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