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CAPITAL REVIEW

- The Capital Plan set out the Government's commitment to Exchequer investment of €27 billion over the six-year period 2016-2021.
- The Plan also announced the development of a new 3rd Phase of the Government's PPP programme with about €500 million of PPP projects.
- In addition, over the period of the Capital Plan, the wider State sector plans to invest €14½ billion in capital projects. This will principally be undertaken by the commercial State-owned companies.
- These will lead to about €42 billion of State investment in capital projects over the period of the plan.

Exchequer Funding

- Over the six years 2016 to 2021 the Exchequer will invest:
 - o €3.8 billion in Education
 - o Nearly **€4 billion** in Environment
 - Over €3 billion in Health
 - o €3 billion in Enterprise
 - o €1 ¼ billion in Agriculture.
- For the seven years 2016 to 2022, **€10 billion** will be invested in Transport, including starting the Dublin Metro project.
- The Plan will;
 - o Support some 45,000 construction jobs.
 - o Protect our economic recovery and competitiveness.
 - o Invest in projects and programmes throughout the country.
 - o Build new roads across the regions.
 - o Build a major new Metro scheme in Dublin.
 - Provide more investment, via the Enterprise Support Agencies, to meet greater demand and a regional initiative will aim to support jobs in the regions.
- It is a National programme that will invest across each region. It will provide;
 - o A commitment to rollout Broadband across rural areas.
 - A connectivity fund to underpin Exchequer investment by providing private sector finance source of funding.
 - Investment via the Rural Development Programme, and a new Village Renewal Scheme will help to strengthen regional competitiveness and sustainability in rural areas.
 - Funding to celebrate the foundation of the State with a programme of commemorations.

- The Plan will provide modern fit for purpose facilities to meet Social needs including schools, housing, and healthcare facilities.
- It will continue to meet the needs of a growing school population
 - Peak demand for in primary schools will be met by 2018
 - o Peak demand in post primary schools will be met by 2022.
- This will free up money for investment in 3rd level, especially in Institutes of Technology.
- We will respond to climate change by;
 - o Investing more resources in energy efficiency.
 - o Investing in Forestry Programmes.
 - o Significantly increasing flood mitigation works.
 - Providing modern facilities, making use of the best materials and building techniques to promote efficient service delivery and better energy efficiency.
- We will also make investments in the Justice Sector.
 - Investment in necessary ICT infrastructure will be made to support Garda reform and deliver an effective and modern policing service.
- Ireland 2016 Programme: It is proposed to provide an additional €31 million in 2016 to complete heritage/commemoration projects as part of the Government's 2016 commemorative programme. Of this -
 - €5.4m is for the flagship projects already approved and announced GPO,
 Teach an Phiarsaigh Ros Muc, Tenement Museum and Richmond
 Barracks;
 - €13.4m is to finish projects that were previously given stimulus funding –
 National Concert Hall, National Archives and the Redmond Monument;
 - ⊕9.25m for Moore Street national monument purchase and development as
 a 1916 commemorative centre;

 - o Refurbishment of the Athenaeum, Enniscorthy.

Non-Exchequer Funding

- PPPs: Under the Capital Plan, there will be a steady pipeline of PPP projects moving from planning, through construction and into operation.
 - o The Plan announces the development of a new €500 million, 3rd Phase of the Government's PPP programme, to include new projects in the Education, Health and Justice sectors.
 - o Including existing and planned PPPs, this will mean that over the period of the Plan an estimated €1½ billion of construction will take place on PPP projects.

- Semi-State Sector: Total investment of €14½ billion in capital projects, of which c€12billion will be by the commercial State companies
 - €4 billion in energy infrastructure / networks
 - €1¾ billion in renewable energy projects
 - €4 billion in water
- A number of other State-backed initiatives will provide funding for investment on a commercial basis this adds to capital stock and provides a commercial return for the State
 - o ISIF (has €7.4b to invest which, with co-investment by partners, has potential to increase total available investment funding to €15b).
 - o Housing vehicle (€400m BGE proceeds, leveraging further private funding)
 - o NAMA