



# Comhairle Cathrach na Gaillimhe Galway City Council

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Dr. John Beard, Director  
Department of Ageing and Life Course  
World Health Organisation  
CH-12111, Geneva 27  
Switzerland

**RE: Application for Membership to Global Network for Age Friendly Cities and Communities**

Dear Dr. Beard,

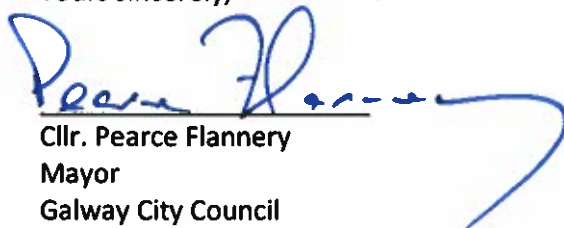
On behalf of Galway City and Galway County Council's, I wish to apply to the World Health Organisation for membership to your Global Network of Age-Friendly Cities.

The Galway Age Friendly City and County programme was launched on the 27<sup>th</sup> September 2011. Through extensive city and county wide consultation the Galway Age Friendly Strategy was produced for 2014 – 2019. The strategy has been developed in such a way as to ensure that it supports existing city and county development plans and local area plans to ensure that the city and county's social, cultural, economic and physical environment is moving towards becoming more age friendly and supporting a healthy and positive experience of ageing.

Our Galway Age Friendly City and County Alliance brings together members from statutory, private, voluntary and community sectors, so that different initiatives and services support each other, and by working together we are more effectively meeting the needs and aspirations of older people in Galway. The Older Persons Council is crucial to the Alliance in helping to achieve the strategic priorities for the county as it represents the voice of the Older People.

I hope this letter reflects our ongoing commitment to the vision of Galway being a great place to grow up and grow old in and for Galway to becoming an Age Friendly City and County.

Yours sincerely,



Cllr. Pearse Flannery  
Mayor  
Galway City Council

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