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Sent: 02 February 2018 10:22
To: Brendan Kenny; 'katherine.odonnel [REDACTED]' info@reclaimingself.ie'
Cc: Elaine O'Kelly; Karl Mitchell
Subject: RE: Sean McDermott Street Magdalene Laundry

Dear Brendan,

Many thanks for contacting us in relation to a consultation of Magdalene women.

As you may be aware, our organisations have been advocating for a meeting of all Magdalene survivors so that the women can discuss the question of memorialisation.

In our view, it is absolutely crucial that it is the women themselves who are consulted, and that no women are left out of the invitation to consult.

We have written to successive Ministers for Justice requesting that the Department of Justice fund and facilitate the consultation, as was promised when the Magdalene ex gratia scheme was announced.

We very much appreciate your commitment to consultation, and we ask that you join us in requesting the Department of Justice to (a) write to all Magdalene survivors who applied to the ex gratia scheme and (b) fund the consultation process.

We would be very glad to meet you as part of a consultation that involves all Magdalene survivors, and we hope that we can work together to bring this about without delay.

Please find attached a letter that our organisations sent to the Minister for Justice on this matter in January.

We look forward to hearing from you,

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From: Brendan Kenny [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 January 2018 08:17
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Subject: Sean McDermott Street Magdalene Laundry

Hello
Dublin City Council owns the property at Sean McDermott Street which includes the Convent and the site of the Magdalene Laundry. As you are aware we are proposing to dispose of this entire property but ensuring that there is a permanent memorial included in the new development.

I would be very happy to meet up with you to discuss our proposals and a mechanism for consultation prior to, during and post development of the site.

You can contact my Secretary Elaine at [REDACTED] and she will make arrangements for the meeting.

Regards

Brendan

Brendan Kenny | Leas Príomhfheidhmeannach |

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Dear Brendan

Thank you for your correspondence.

I would like to echo the call made by Maeve and JFMR in her email to you last Friday.

It is absolutely crucial that the women themselves are consulted on this matter. We will be writing to the Department in support of JFMR's letter and we respectfully request that DCC also lends it's support also. It is great to see that a commitment to consultation.

Kindest Regards

AnneMarie Crean

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