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Dear Sir/Madam

[REDACTED] wish to offer our wholehearted support in respect of the BCC submission to the NPWS and the Department of Housing, Local Government, and Heritage.

We have lived [REDACTED]. In the time we have witnessed a substantial increase in seagull numbers.

The submission made by the BCC provides incontrovertible evidence that NPWS and the Department are fully empowered to act to cull seagulls in Balbriggan in the interests of public health and safety. It beggars belief and warrants a public inquiry as to why they have failed to act despite years of complaints by the residents of Balbriggan.

Our granddaughter is a student in the [REDACTED] and we have heard countless stories from her about the attacks on students trying to have a snack in the school yard. NPWS is well aware of the problems in Loreto. They are a good example of what is happening in many parts of our town.

Finally, myself and my wife witnessed a seagull "attack" on Balbriggan last Summer. Before our eyes a very small child was surrounded by several seagulls seeking to snatch the sandwich she was eating. Her parents were momentarily distracted attending to another child, luckily we were able to chase the gulls away.

The evidence is clear. The BCC submission is of the highest quality. We fully support it and their call for immediate action to curb the gull infestation.

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