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As University Librarian at Dublin City University, I am making this submission in support of the policy of collecting, preserving and making available the published output of the nation being extended to include all contemporary publication formats, including digital.

DCU Library supports teaching, learning and research in a community of almost 18,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students, academic/support staff and researchers. We provide access to extensive print and electronic resources, and hold special collections and archives of national standing. We have strong links with the local community including running an annual literary competition for North Dublin.

As a learning and research library, we particularly value access to, and preservation of substantial digitally-published output, specifically:

- e-books;
- Digital periodicals and newspapers;
- Official and government publications;
- Websites with substantive content.

We therefore support the proposal to amend current copyright legislation to extend the concept of legal deposit into the digital sphere. We urge the Minister of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs to consider and act on this response.

Yours sincerely,

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