Rationale for an ambitious public capital investment programme

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In the next 25 years, Ireland’s population will grow by at least 30%
Ireland’s population is younger than other EU countries – time is now, not in 20 years
Govt Capital spend, % of GDP, 1970 to 2021
Last year bottom of the table for capital spend (% of GDP)
Quality of infrastructure - EU & OECD

Ireland is 27th out of 144 countries
Financing capex out of current revenues while debt is 0.5%