

AA SCREENING DETERMINATION

Of

Disinfection Programme – Springmount , Tipperary

In accordance with Article 6(3) of the EU Habitats Directive (Directive 92/43/EEC) and Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, Irish Water has undertaken Appropriate Assessment screening to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of the European Site(s), if the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on a European Site(s). In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Site(s) listed below:

Lower River Suir SAC (002137), Galtee Mountains SAC (000646), Philipston Marsh SAC (001847).

In accordance with Regulation 42(7) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, Irish Water has made a determination following screening that an Appropriate Assessment is not required as the project is not directly connected with or necessary to the management of the Site(s) as European Site(s) and as it can be concluded, on the basis of objective information, that the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is not likely to have a significant effect on the European Site(s) listed above.

This determination is based on small scale and short duration of the proposed works which are located entirely within the buildings and hard surfaces of the Springmount Water Treatment Plant. The Springmount Water Treatment Plant is located within the Lower River Suir SAC, however, the works are located 65 m from the closest watercourse and no habitats or species of Qualifying Interest for the SAC will be affected.

Signed:

GERRY GALVIN CHIEF TECHNICAL OFFICER DATE: 30th April 2019