## **AA SCREENING DETERMINATION**



Of

Watermains Rehabilitation Works at Newtownshandrum, East Ferry, Ballylicky, Bantry, Coachford and Crookstown, County Cork

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 site, 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 Sites listed below:

Blackwater River (Cork/Waterford) SAC (002170); Ballyhoura Mountains SAC (002036); Great Island Channel SAC (001058); Derryclogher (Knockboy) Bog SAC (001873); Caha Mountains SAC (000093); Glengarriff Harbour and Woodland SAC (000090); Sheeps Head SA (000102); Roaringwater Bay and Islands SAC (000101); Reen Point Shingle SAC (002281); Dunbeacon Shingle SAC (002280); The Gearagh SAC (000108); Stack's to Mullaghareirks, West Limerick Hills and Mount Eagle SPA (004161); Kilcolman Bog SPA (004095); Cork Harbour SPA (004030); Ballycotton Bay SPA (004022); The Gearagh SPA (004109); and Mullaghanish to Musheramore Mountains SPA (004162).

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 sites as European sites 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 sites listed above.

This determination is based on the location of the works within the existing local road network and outside of any European Site, the scale of the works involving the replacement of a small-diameter pipe; and the avoidance of qualifying interests.

Signed:

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