AA SCREENING DETERMINATION

UISCE ÉIREANN : IRISH WATER

Of

Urgent Repair Works to Dungarvan Wastewater Treatment Plant, County Waterford

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:

Helvick Head SAC (000665); Blackwater River SAC (002170); Glendine Wood SAC (002324); Comeragh Mountains SAC (001952); Dungarvan Harbour SPA (004032); Helvick Head to Ballyquin SPA (004192); and Mid-Waterford Coast SPA (004193).

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 Wastewater Treatment Plant site and outside of any European Site, the small scale and short duration of the works, and the continued compliance with the Urban Wastewater Treatment Directive Emission Limits.

Signed:

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