

AA SCREENING DETERMINATION

Of



Site Investigation Works at Shannon Wastewater Treatment Plant, Tradaree Point, Shannon, County Clare

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:

Lower River Shannon SAC (002165); Lough Gash Turlough SAC (000051); Ratty River Cave SAC (002316); Askeaton Fen Complex SAC (002279); Curraghchase Woods SAC (000174); Poulmagordon Cave (Quin) (000064) SAC; Kilkishen House SAC (002319); Danes Hole, Poulnalecka SAC (000030); and River Shannon and River Fergus SPA (004077).

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 outside of any European Site and the small scale and short duration of the works.

Signed:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Galvin'.

GERRY GALVIN

CHIEF TECHNICAL OFFICER

DATE: 3rd August 2016