

AA SCREENING DETERMINATION

Of

Water Network Programme

at

Shannon Town, Co. 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, Uisce Éireann 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 European Site(s).

The work order for this design involves the installation of approximately 1,992m of new 400mm Ductile Iron watermain, 38m of 100mm Ductile Iron, 117m of 125mm HDPE, 93m of 180mm HDPE, 38m of 250mm HDPE, and 88m of 300mm DI watermain replacing the existing 375mm AC main, including any associated assets required and the transfer of any services as required, along a public roadway along the footpath of Shannon Town, Shannon, Co. Clare.

In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Site(s) listed below:

- Lower River Shannon SAC 002165
- River Shannon and River Fergus Estuaries SPA 004077
- Lough Gash Turlough SAC 000051
- Ratty River Cave SAC 002316
- Askeaton Fen Complex SAC 002279
- Curraghchase Woods SAC 000174
- Poulmagordon Cave (Quin) SAC 000064
- Kilkishen House SAC 002319
- Newhall And Edenvale Complex SAC 002091
- Old Domestic Building (Keevagh) SAC 002010
- Danes Hole, Poulnalecka SAC 000030
- Knockanira House SAC 002318

In accordance with Regulation 42(7) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, **Uisce Éireann 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 site(s) and **as it can be excluded**, on the basis of objective

information and in light of the conservation objectives of the relevant European Site(s), **that the project, individually or in combination with other plans and projects, would have a significant effect on a European Site.**

This determination is based on the nature, location, scale and duration of the proposed works, including any temporary works and excludes any consideration of mitigation measures.

Full records of the assessment, reports, surveys, consultations, and observations are held by the competent authority and available for public review as requested.

Signed:



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DATE: 21st December 2023