

AA SCREENING DETERMINATION

Of

Water Network Programme

at

Drumgoold Villas, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford

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 European Site(s).

The work order (25777075) for this design refers to the rehabilitation of approximately 845m of Cast Iron backyard mains and all associated assets, located along Drumgoold Villas residential estate in Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford. It is proposed to decommission the existing uPVC, Ductile Iron and Cast-Iron mains and replace with 125mm OD SDR 11 HDPE main.

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

- Slaney River Valley SAC 000781
- Wexford Harbour and Slobs SPA 004076
- Screen Hills SAC 000708
- Blackstairs Mountains SAC 000770

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 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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