

AA SCREENING DETERMINATION

Of

Water Network Programme

at

Spa Road, Tralee, Co. Kerry

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).

This scheme involves the replacement of a total of 536 m of existing 125 mm diameter Cast Iron and all the associated assets, with approx. 536m of new main with a 180mm outside diameter HDPE pipe and undertake service connection transfers as required.

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

- 004161 Stack's to Mullaghareirk Mountains, West Limerick Hills and Mount Eagle SPA
- 002165 Lower River Shannon SAC
- 000332 Akeragh, Banna and Barrow Harbour SAC
- 002261 Magharee Islands SAC
- 000343 Castlemaine Harbour SAC
- 004029 Castlemaine Harbour SPA
- 002185 Slieve Mish Mountains SAC
- 004188 Tralee Bay Complex SPA
- 002070 Tralee Bay and Magharees Peninsula, West to Cloghane SAC
- 002112 Ballyseedy Wood SAC

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:



JOHN CASEY

CHIEF TECHNICAL ADVISOR

DATE: 17th January 2024