

AA SCREENING DETERMINATION

Of

Water Network Programme

at

Pinewood Drive, Kilmacomma, Co. 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, 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 (25729351) for this design involves the rehabilitation of 234m of existing 50mm uPVC with 125mm HDPE including any associated assets required. The scheme also involves the installation of 56m of new 125mm HDPE watermain and any associated assets required and the transfer of any services as required, along a public road to the front of housing adjacent to Pinewood Drive, Kilmacomma, Co. Waterford.

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

- Lower River Suir SAC 002137
- Nier Valley Woodlands SAC 000668
- Comeragh Mountains SAC 001952

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

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DATE: 21st December 2023