

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Determination under the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) for the Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Sligo County Development Plan 2024-2030

A Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Determination is being made by Sligo County Council regarding Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Sligo County Development Plan 2024-2030.

Section 12 (7) (aa) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) requires, inter alia, a determination to be made as to whether one or more of the Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Plan warrant the undertaking of SEA.

Such a determination considers the relevant criteria set out in Schedule 2A 'Criteria for determining whether a plan is likely to have significant effects on the environment' of the SEA Regulations, as amended.

As there are substantial Proposed Material Alterations that could have potential significant effects, it has been considered prudent to subject all the amendments to SEA.

This Determination has been informed by the Proposed Material Alterations; the Appropriate Assessment Determination on the Proposed Material Alterations; the Draft Plan; and the SEA Environmental Report for the Draft Plan.

An "Addendum to Environmental Reports" of the Draft Sligo County Development Plan 2024-2030 will be published as part of the Proposed Amendments to the Sligo County Development in July 2024. This will contain the assessment of the Proposed Amendments undertaken as part of the SEA and Appropriate Assessment processes.

Therefore, pursuant to Section 12(7) (aa) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), Sligo County Council have determined that Strategic Environmental Assessment is required in respect of the Proposed Material Alterations of the Draft Sligo County Development Plan 2024-2030.

The SEA Environmental Report prepared for the Draft Plan will be finalised in advance of adoption of the Plan. A SEA Statement will be prepared following adoption, which will detail how environmental considerations were integrated into the Plan and how the SEA and associated Plan preparation process were considered.

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