

AA SCREENING DETERMINATION

Of

Dublin Boreholes Programme – Dublin, Co. Dublin

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 European Site(s), if the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on a European Site(s). In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Site(s) listed below:

South Dublin Bay SAC (000210), North Dublin Bay SAC (000206), Baldoyle Bay SAC (000199), Howth Head SAC (000202), Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC (003000), Malahide Estuary SAC (000205), Glenasmole Valley SAC (002109), Wicklow Mountains SAC (002122), Ireland's Eye SAC (002193), South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuaries SPA (004024), North Bull Island SPA (004006), Baldoyle Bay SPA (004024), Malahide Estuary SPA (004025), Wicklow Mountains SPA (004040), Howth Head Coast SPA (004113), Ireland's Eye SPA (004117), Dalkey Islands SPA (004172).

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 Site(s) as European Site(s) and as it can be concluded, on the basis of objective information, that the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is not likely to have a significant effect on the European Site(s) listed above.

This determination is based on the nature, location, small scale and short duration of the proposed works, and the lack of connectivity to any European Site.

Signed:



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CHIEF TECHNICAL OFFICER

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