

**Limerick City and County Council**  
**Chief Executives Order**

**File Ref: Devplan03(b)**

**Order No. CE-2022-052**

**Subject:**

**Screening for Appropriate Assessment (AA) Determination under the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) for Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Limerick City and County Council Development Plan 2022-2028**

A Screening for Appropriate Assessment (AA) Determination is being made by Limerick City and County Council regarding Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Limerick Development Plan 2022-2028.

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

The existing Draft Plan has already been informed by a Stage 2 AA and a Natura Impact Report has been prepared. Mitigation was integrated into the Draft Plan that allowed the Natura Impact Report to conclude that the Draft Plan is not foreseen to give rise to any significant effects on designated European sites, alone or in combination with other plans or projects. The Draft Plan and AA Natura Impact Report were placed on public display and submissions were invited. Some of these submissions resulted in Material Alterations being proposed to the Plan.

The Alterations are considered in the accompanying Screening for AA report. The Screening exercise examines whether there is potential for any effects on the integrity of European sites to arise as a result of the Alterations, within the context of the existing Draft Plan provisions. The AA screening process takes into account the need to undertake Stage 2 AA when mitigation is being proposed. As certain proposed Material Alterations could potentially affect the integrity of European sites, further to the mitigation already integrated into the Draft Plan, the AA process identified that it would be prudent to undertake Stage 2 AA for 8 of the proposed Material Alterations as set out in the accompanying report.

**Order:**

I hereby determine pursuant to Section 12 (7) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), and for the purposes of Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive that Stage 2 AA is required for 8 of the proposed Material Alterations.

The AA Natura Impact Report that accompanies the proposed Material Alterations is part of the ongoing and overall AA process that is being undertaken alongside the preparation of the

Plan. All Plan and AA related documentation will be considered by the planning authority in advance of the adoption of the Plan and a final AA Determination will be undertaken by the planning authority at adoption. An AA conclusion statement will be prepared following adoption, which will detail the AA process undertaken for the plan.

Signed: V.M. Pat Daly

**Pat Daly**

**Chief Executive**

Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022

# Limerick City and County Council

## Chief Executives Order

**File Ref: Devplan03(a)**

**Order No. CE-2022-053**

In accordance with Section 12 (6) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) the Members adopted by Resolution at a meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022 proposed amendments to the Draft Development Plan 2022-2028.

In Accordance with Section 12 (7) (aa) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), the Chief Executive determined that a Strategic Environmental Assessment and Appropriate Assessment are required for one or more of the proposed material amendments.

In accordance with Section 12 (7)(ab) of the Act, the Chief Executive has specified that the period required to facilitate the assessment referred to above shall be 3 weeks from the date of the passing of the resolution under subsection (6) on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

**Order:** I hereby order that the period required, under Section 12 (7)(ab) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), to facilitate the carrying out of a Strategic Environmental Assessment and Appropriate Assessment of one or more of the proposed material amendments to the Draft Limerick Development Plan 2022-2028 shall be 3 weeks from the date of the passing of the resolution under subsection (6) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

Signed: 

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**Pat Daly**

**Chief Executive**

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 2022

**Limerick City and County Council**  
**Chief Executives Order**

**File Ref: Devplan03(c)**

**Order No. CE-2022-054**

**Subject: Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Determination under the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) for Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Limerick Development Plan 2022-2028**

Section 12 (7) (aa) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), requires, inter alia, a determination to be made as to whether Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Plan warrant the undertaking of SEA. Such a determination takes into account 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 was substantial proposed Material Alterations that could have significant environmental effects it has been considered prudent to subject all of the amendments to SEA to fully examine their potential for significant environmental effects.

**Order:** I hereby determine pursuant to Section 12 (7) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that SEA is required for the Proposed Material Alterations.

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.

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 consultations on the SEA and associated Plan-preparation process were taken into account.

Signed: VM \_\_\_\_\_

**Pat Daly**

**Chief Executive**

Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 2022