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Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening Determination

Planning and Development Act 2000 (Amended) Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (Amended)

Pursuant to the requirements of the above, Limerick City and County Council has prepared Material Alterations for the Draft Castleconnell 2023 – 2029.

Having regard to Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive and Part XAB of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (Amended), the guidance contained in the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Governments "Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland Guidance for Planning Authorities" (2010) following an examination, analysis and evaluation of the objective information provided in the "Material Alterations to the Draft Castleconnell Local Area Plan 2023 -2029" prepared by Tom O'Neill, Heritage Officer, Limerick City and County Council, as the Competent Authority determines that the Material Alteration to the proposed plan, individually and in combination with other plans and projects, does not require an AA as it has been concluded that it is possible to rule out likely significant effects on all European sites.

Following analysis of all proposed Material Alterations to the draft plan, none would be expected to give rise to any threats to any of the conservation objectives in terms of their attributes and targets for any of the European sites.

Therefore, a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment will not be required for the Material Alterations.

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