

**09 March 2022**

**Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination under Section 177U (5), Part XAB, Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010**

**PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT at Wood Park, Sallynoggin, Co. Dublin.**

**PLANNING REF: PC/H/02/22**

An Appropriate Assessment screening determination has been made by Dún Laoghaire - Rathdown County Council regarding the application for a residential development of a site at Wood Park, Sallynoggin, Co. Dublin

The decision has been informed by information prepared by Traynor Environment Ltd. on behalf of the Council – Appropriate Screening Report March 2022. This AA Screening report describes the nature of the proposed development, the nature of the European sites within its zone of influence and the relationship between the two such that any impact pathways could be identified. It sets out the nature of the proposed works and assesses any potential for direct, indirect or cumulative impacts of the proposed works on the relevant European sites.

The Council has examined likely significant effects of the proposed works on European sites within the zone of influence of the proposed works, in light of the specific qualifying interests and conservation objectives of all relevant European sites.

Having reviewed and considered this Appropriate Assessment Screening Report and general information on the nature of the project, the Council has been able to conclude that there was no likelihood of any significant effects on European sites arising from the proposed works, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects. The main reasons for this are as follows:

- There are eighteen Natura 2000 sites within 15km of the proposed development. The closest of these are the South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA and the South Dublin Bay SAC and these are 2.3km north of the application site. There is no hydrological connectivity between the application site and these SPA/SAC or any other SPA/SAC within 15km of the site. Given the scale and nature of the proposed works and the localised and temporary nature of the potential effects of the proposed development, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, the proposed project will not have a significant effect on any European sites.

It is considered that an AA of the proposed development is not needed as it can be excluded, on the basis of objective information provided in the Screening report, that the proposed development individually or in combination with other plans or projects will not have a significant effect on any European Sites.

Therefore, it is our view, in relying on the information prepared by Traynor Environment Ltd. and details in the planning application documentation, that an Appropriate Assessment is not required for these proposed works.

Yours sincerely,



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