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Appropriate Assessment Screening Conclusion Statement

<u>Proposed Part 8 for the construction of a Tennis Pavilion at Spring Hill Park, Mount Albany, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin</u>

Part 8 Ref. No.: PC/PKS/01/15

An Appropriate Assessment screening decision has been made by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council regarding the proposed Part 8 application for the construction of a Tennis Pavilion at Spring Hill Park, Mount Albany, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin.

This decision has been informed by information prepared by Scott Cawley Ltd. on behalf of the Council. This Statement 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 in detail the nature of the proposed works and assesses any potential for direct, indirect or cumulative impacts of the proposed works on all 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 Statement and gernal information on the nature of the project, the Council has been able to conclude that there was no likelihood of any significant effects on any 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:

- 1. Small size and scale of the proposed development;
- 2. Lack of any hydrological or other connectivity to the European sites;
- 3. Distance to the European sites (minimum of 2km from all sites and separated from all sites by a belt of developed land).

Therefore it is our view, in relying on the information prepared by Scott Cawley, that an Appropriate Assessment is not required for these proposed works.

Yours sincerely,

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