

DLRCC AA Screening Report
Section 55 addition or deletion to RPS

Project Details

Proposed Section 55 Addition to Record of Protected Structures, Chapel (exterior only), located along Tivoli Terrace South, to the rear of Centenary House, 35 York Road, Dún Laoghaire

Is the addition/deletion to the Record of Protected Structures (RPS) directly connected with or necessary to the conservation management of any European Site?	Yes	No
Is the project located within 100m of a Natura 2000 site?	Yes	No
Please state closest Natura 2000 site & distance to site (See Table 1 and AA Screening Map)	Site: South Dublin Bay	Distance: c.0.810km
Please state other Natura 2000 sites with any links to the proposal that is, pathways for potential impacts e.g. surface water or groundwater, land or air pathway	Site: N/A	Pathway and Distance: N/A

Description of the section 55 addition/deletion:

The structure in question is a late nineteenth century gothic chapel of red brick with granite dressing to the hood mouldings over the arched windows, granite quoins and cross-shaped granite finials to the roof. The building is considered to be of architectural and artistic interest and makes a positive contribution to the streetscape. The former chapel first appears on the historic OS map dating 1888-1913 to the rear of 'Tivoli Hall'. The historic OS map dating 1900 - 1924 identifies the building as a 'Chapel' associated with a 'convent'.

The building currently forms part of the Dún Laoghaire Primary Care Centre (HSE) and functions as a healthcare facility.

The interior has been subject to modification and retains little of its original character; much of the ecclesiastical fixtures and fittings have been removed. As such the internal space is no longer integral to the architectural form and expression of the building. It is proposed to add the exterior only to the Record of Protected Structures.

Note: Having regard to Section 5.5.1 (2) of the Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland - It is considered that an addition to or deletion from the RPS would not come under the definition of local Authority "project" and would not require consideration for AA.

Table 1: Summary of Natura 2000 Sites within or immediately adjoining DLRCC

Site	Features of Interest	Conservation Objectives
<p>South Dublin Bay SAC</p> <p>Site code: 000210</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide • Annual vegetation of drift lines • Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand • Embryonic shifting dunes 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide in South Dublin Bay SAC.</p> <p>For full details refer to: https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/000210</p>
<p>South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA</p> <p>Site code: 004024</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Light-bellied Brent Goose (<i>Branta bernicla hrota</i>) • Oystercatcher (<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>) • Ringed Plover (<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>) • Grey Plover (<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>) • Knot (<i>Calidris canutus</i>) • Sanderling (<i>Calidris alba</i>) • Dunlin (<i>Calidris alpina</i>) • Bar-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa lapponica</i>) • Redshank (<i>Tringa totanus</i>) • Black-headed Gull (<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>) • Roseate Tern (<i>Sterna dougallii</i>) • Common Tern (<i>Sterna hirundo</i>) • Arctic Tern (<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>) • Wetland and Waterbirds 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Light-bellied Brent Goose in South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA.</p> <p>For full details refer to: https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004024</p>
<p>Dalkey Islands SPA</p> <p>Site code: 004172</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roseate Tern • Common Tern • Arctic Tern 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA: Roseate Tern, Common Tern, Arctic Tern.</p> <p>For full details refer to: https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004172</p>
<p>Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC</p> <p>Site Code: 003000</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reefs • Phocoena phocoena (Harbour Porpoise) 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Reefs in Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC.</p> <p>For full details refer to: https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/003000</p>
<p>Ballyman Glen SAC</p> <p>Site code: 000713</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Petrifying springs with tufa formation (<i>Cratoneurion</i>) • Alkaline fens. 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected.</p> <p>For further details refer to: https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/000713</p>
<p>Knocksink Wood SAC</p> <p>Site code: 000725</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Petrifying springs with tufa formation (<i>Cratoneurion</i>) • Alluvial forests with <i>Alnus glutinosa</i> and <i>Fraxinus excelsior</i> (<i>Alno-Padion</i>, <i>Alnion incanae</i>, <i>Salicion albae</i>) 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected.</p> <p>For further details refer to: https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/000725</p>
<p>Wicklow Mountains SAC</p> <p>Site code: 002122</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oligotrophic waters containing very few minerals of sandy plains (<i>Littorelletalia uniflorae</i>) • Natural dystrophic lakes and ponds • Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i> • European dry heaths • Alpine and Boreal heaths • Calaminarian grasslands of the <i>Violetalia calaminariae</i> 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected.</p> <p>For further details refer to: https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/002122</p>

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Site	Features of Interest	Conservation Objectives
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Species-rich Nardus grasslands, on siliceous substrates in mountain areas (and submountain areas, in Continental Europe) • Blanket bogs (* if active bog) • Siliceous scree of the montane to snow levels (Androsacetalia alpinae and Galeopsietalia ladani) • Calcareous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation • Siliceous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles • Lutra lutra (Otter) 	
Wicklow Mountains SPA Site Code: 004040	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Merlin • Peregrine 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA.</p> <p>For further details refer to: https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004040</p>

Notes:

Appropriate Assessment is relevant to International designations of EU Natura 2000 sites – this includes SACs and SPAs. It does not apply to Nationally designated sites NHAs (Natural Heritage Areas) or proposed pNHAs (although some overlap with Natura 2000 sites).

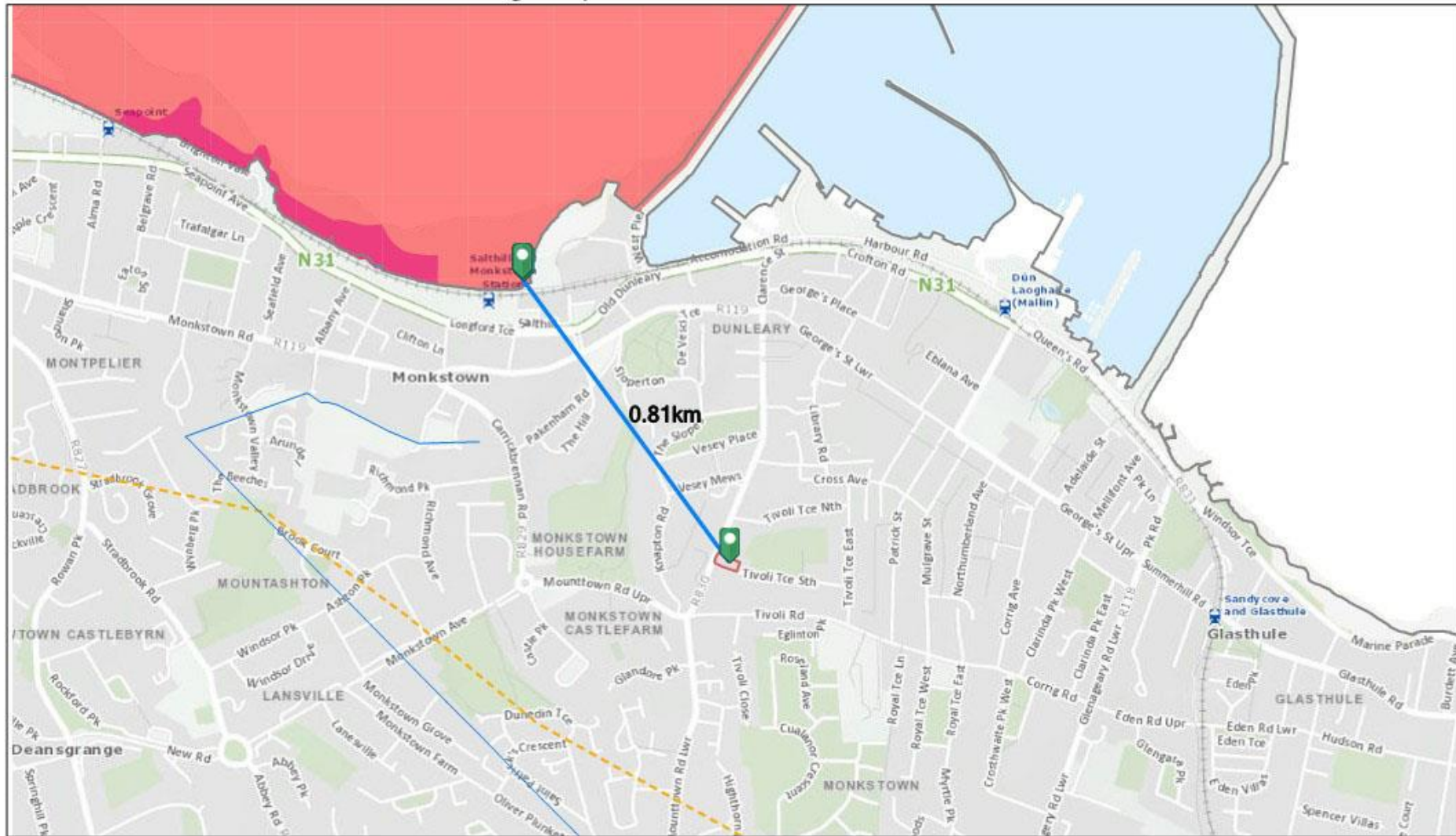
Other Important Sites and Designations

Sites such as non-designated important areas for wintering birds, Nationally designated sites such as Natural Heritage Areas (NHAs), proposed Natural Heritage Areas (pNHA) and other designated sites such as Nature Reserves, Wildfowl Sanctuaries and Ramsar sites do not form part of the Natura 2000 Network however, they often overlap with Natura 2000 sites and they also provide a supporting role to the network, for example for mobile species such as birds that may move between a variety of Natura 2000 sites and other sites.

These sites are considered important under Article 10 of the Habitats Directive and the Habitats Regulations 2011 as features that connect the Natura 2000 network. Such sites that provide regular feeding grounds for example for wintering birds for which another site is designated as an SPA play a role in the maintenance of the species at favourable conservation status for that SPA. In that case in order to protect the Natura 2000 network it may also be important to protect a site which is not a Natura 2000 site but which provides a supporting role to it. However, some of these sites may not play a supporting role or interact with the Natura 2000 network.

In the case of Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County area, the main possible supporting sites would be those of amenity or rough grassland sites within 4km of European Sites, upland forestry, heath or grassland habitat within 2km of the Wicklow Mountains SAC and wildlife corridors such as riparian habitat and associated watercourses connecting to Wicklow Mountains SAC for Otter.

AA Screening Map 35 York Road / Tivoli Terrace South



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- DLR County Boundary
- Special Protection Areas (SPA)
- Rivers
- Special Areas of Conservation (SAC)
- Water Catchment Areas

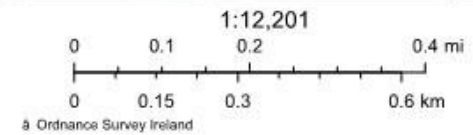


Table 2: Screening Questions

Screening Question	Reason	Yes	No	Unsure
Is the proposed addition within the boundary of a SAC or SPA during the construction, operational or decommissioning stage?	<i>Potential for direct impact.</i>		X	
Is there a potential for discharge of run-off to a watercourse/drain stream linking to the coastal European sites, or directly into the European site? (See Figure 1)	<i>Potential for indirect impact via contaminated site run -off.</i>		X	
Will there be crossings, diversions, culverting of rivers or streams of streams leading to the coastal European sites?	<i>Potential for indirect impact via contaminated site run -off.</i>		X	
Is there a potential for discharge run-off to a watercourse/drain linking to the coastal European sites, or directly into the European site? (See Map 1)	<i>Potential for indirect impact via contaminated site run -off.</i>		X	
Will the addition create any barriers including physical barriers to groundwater flow especially in the recharge zone of catchment of the petrifying springs to Knocksink Woods or Ballyman Glen SAC.	<i>Potential for indirect/direct impact on catchment of petrifying springs e.g piling, foundations, hardstanding areas.</i>		X	
Will any operational discharge alter water quality or quantity (volumes) to a watercourse linking to Knocksink Woods or Ballyman Glen SAC.	<i>Potential for indirect/direct impact on catchment of petrifying springs</i>		X	
Is there enough capacity in the relevant wastewater treatment plant to ensure that waste can be treated to its design standard or is the on-site WWTS functioning properly?	<i>Potential for indirect impact via discharge of sub-standard effluent into receiving waters.</i>	Y		
Is there a proposal to abstract or discharge to groundwater or surface water in the catchments or Knocksink Woods or Ballyman Glen SACs?	<i>Potential for adverse impacts on catchment of petrifying springs. (note: catchment of springs may be hard to determine).</i>		X	
Is the proposed addition likely to lead to more pedestrian activity/visitor pressure along the coast, foreshore, beaches or piers?	<i>Potential for increased disturbance of overwintering birds.</i>		X	
Is the addition likely to involve construction works or other activities close to the coastline near European sites (i.e. works that can be heard, seen or perceived from the coastline)?	<i>Potential for increased disturbance of overwintering birds.</i>		X	
Is the addition likely to require loss of amenity or rough grassland sites within 4km of European Sites?	<i>Potential for increased disturbance of overwintering birds feeding on inland sites.</i>		X	
Is the addition likely to lead to loss of upland forestry, heath or grassland habitat within 2km of the Wicklow Mountains SAC?	<i>Potential for loss of supporting habitats for birds and connectivity to upland habitats.</i>		X	
Is the addition likely to lead to more pedestrian activity/visitor pressure in the Wicklow Mountains SAC?	<i>Potential for increased disturbance of birds and sensitive habitats.</i>		X	
Is the addition likely to lead to more off-road vehicular activity in the Wicklow Mountains SAC?	<i>Potential for increased disturbance of birds and sensitive habitats e.g. mountain bike trails</i>		X	

Table 3: Other Relevant Information	
Relevant Advice Received / Required	
<i>Documentation reviewed for making of this statement (attached if applicable)</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland – Guidance for Planning Authorities (DoHGLG) – Refer Section 5: Projects – AA and Development Management. • NPWS Data (refer table 1) 	
Comments	
Having regard to the scale, location and nature of the addition to the RPS, there will be no adverse impact on any Natura 2000 site as a result of the proposed development.	

Table 4: Conclusions and Determination	
Section 177U AA Screening determination	
It is considered that an AA is not required for the proposed addition to the RPS because there are no direct/indirect potential significant effects on a Natura 2000 site.	X
It is considered that an AA is not required for the proposed addition to the RPS because there are no potential significant effects, in combination with any other project, on a Natura 2000 site.	X
It is considered that an AA is required as significant effects are certain, likely or uncertain.	
Please justify the reasons for making this determination (based on information in above tables)	
It is clear from the location and nature of the addition to the RPS that there will be no likely significant effects on a Natura 2000 site as there are no known direct pathways including hydrological / hydrogeological links from the proposed development site to any of the Natura 2000 sites examined in this screening report.	
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