

Screening for AA Determination

Screening for Appropriate Assessment (AA) Determination under the Habitats Directive¹ for:

Proposed Modifications/Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Amendment (No. 8) of the adopted Cherrywood Strategic Development Zone Planning Scheme, 2014, as amended


A Screening for Appropriate Assessment (AA) determination as to whether Proposed Modifications/Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Amendment (No. 8), comprising a building height and density review, of the adopted Cherrywood Strategic Development Zone Planning Scheme, 2014, as amended, could result in a likely significant effect on any European site is being made by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council under Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive.

In carrying out this Screening for AA, the Council is taking into account matters including those specified under Part XAB of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), including:

- "Report to Inform Appropriate Assessment Screening for Proposed Modifications/Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Amendment No. 8 to the Cherrywood SDZ Planning Scheme 2014 (as amended)" (December 2022), including various appendices²;
- Written submissions made during public display of the proposed Amendment process; and
- Ongoing advice on AA from the Council's agents.

The Report to Inform AA Screening demonstrates that the implementation of Proposed Modifications/Proposed Material Alterations to the Proposed Amendment will not give rise to any potential effect on the ecological integrity of any European site, alone or in combination with any other plans, programmes, projects, etc. The Report to Inform AA Screening has been carefully considered and its reasoning and conclusion agreed with and adopted, allowing a determination to be made that Proposed Modifications/Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Amendment No. 8 will not give rise to any likely significant effect on any European site.

Taking into account all of the above, it is determined that Proposed Modifications/Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Amendment No. 8 will not give rise to any likely significant effect on any European site and that Stage 2 AA is not required to be undertaken on the Proposed Modifications/Proposed Material Alterations.


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Signed: Mary Henchy,
Director of Services, Planning Department.

Date: 20th December 2022

¹ Council Directive 92/43/EEC on the Conservation of Natural Habitats and of Wild Fauna and Flora, transposed into Irish legislation through, among other statutes, the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)

² Appendix I: Report to inform the AA Screening for Proposed Amendment No. 8 to the Cherrywood SDZPS 2014 (as amended) [July 2022]

Appendix II: Screening for AA Determination for Proposed Amendment No. 8 to the Cherrywood SDZPS 2014 (as amended) [July 2022]

Appendix III: AA Screening of Proposed Amendment No. 8 Addendum I - AA Screening Review of CE Recommendations [October 2022]

Appendix IV: AA Screening of Proposed Amendment No. 8 Addendum II - AA Screening Review of Members' Motions and associated Chief Executive's Recommendations [November 2022]

Appendix V: Cherrywood SDZ Pond 5A Rezoning - Technical Note [December 2022]