

# AA Determination

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## **Appropriate Assessment (AA)**

### **Screening Determination under:**

### **The Planning and Development Acts 2000-2015**

**for:**

### **the Proposed Amendment No.1 to the Maynooth Local Area Plan 2013-2019**

An Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening determination has been made by Kildare County Council (KCC) regarding the Proposed Amendment No.1 (Proposed Amendment) to the Maynooth Local Area Plan 2013-2019.

In accordance with Section 177U of Part XAB of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, KCC, as the competent authority, is required, inter alia, to carry out a screening for appropriate assessment of a draft land use plan and to determine whether an appropriate assessment of that draft land use plan is required or if the requirement can be excluded, on the basis of objective information.

Kildare County Council has assessed whether the Proposed Amendment, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, will have a significant effect on any European site. This process is referred to as screening and the findings of the screening process are presented in the Report for Screening for Appropriate Assessment, which accompanies and has informed this determination.

In light of the best scientific knowledge, it has been determined that the Proposed Amendment No.1 to the Maynooth Local Area Plan 2013-2019 shall not give rise to effects on the integrity of any Natura 2000 site, having regard to their conservation objectives and either alone or in-combination with other plans, programmes or projects. Therefore, in accordance with the methodological guidance on the provision of Article 6(3) and (4) of the Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC, it is concluded that the Proposed Amendment No.1 to the Maynooth Local Area Plan 2013-2019 do not require any further assessment to demonstrate compliance with the Directive and a Stage 2 AA is not required.

This decision has taken into account the content of the Proposed Amendment and the findings of the Report for Screening for Appropriate Assessment.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Signatory

Approved Officer