



**Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening Determination**

**under the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations 2004 (as amended) for:**

**Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Variation No. 6 to the Kilkenny City and County Development Plan 2021-2027 (as varied)**

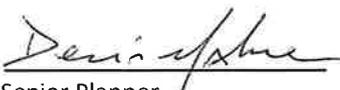
A Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening determination as to whether Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Variation No. 6 to the Kilkenny City and County Development Plan 2021-2027 (as varied) is likely to have significant effects on the environment is being made by Kilkenny County Council under Section 13 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and the Planning and Development (SEA) Regulations 2004 (as amended).

In making the determination, the information contained in the accompanying Screening for SEA Report (including information provided by environmental authorities and an examination of the need to undertake SEA against relevant criteria set out in Schedule 2A 'Criteria for determining whether a plan is likely to have significant effects on the environment' of the above Regulations) is being taken into account. That information has been carefully considered and its reasoning and conclusion agreed with and adopted – allowing a determination to be made that the Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Variation No. 6 would not be likely to result in significant environmental effects.

The Kilkenny City and County Development Plan 2021-2027 was subject to full SEA, which identified the likely significant environmental effects, if unmitigated, of implementing the County Development Plan, and facilitated the integration of measures into the County Development Plan to ensure the appropriate protection and management of the environment with which all lower tier plans/projects must comply. The Proposed Variation, which is being subject to full SEA, requires compliance with these measures and includes additional such measures that must be complied with.

Taking into account the measures that have been integrated into both the Proposed Variation and the existing County Development Plan (as varied) that provide for and contribute towards environmental protection, environmental management and sustainable development, any potential effects arising from the Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Variation No. 6, would either: be present already (beneficial) and would be further contributed towards, but not to a significant extent; and/or would be mitigated so as not to be significant (adverse).

Taking into account all of the above: the Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Variation No. 6 would not be likely to result in significant environmental effects; and it is determined that SEA is not required to be undertaken on the Proposed Material Alterations to the Proposed Variation.

Signatory:   
Senior Planner

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