



**Strategic Environmental Assessment Screening Determination under the
Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended for:
Proposed Amendment 1 to the Callan Local Area Plan 2019**

A Strategic Environmental Assessment Screening determination has been made by Kilkenny County Council regarding Proposed Amendment 1. Article 14 (A) of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended, requires, inter alia, a determination to be made as to whether the Proposed Amendment warrants the undertaking of environmental assessment.

The Proposed Amendment is in order to change the zoning on three sites in the Clashacollare area of Callan, as follows:

- a) An area of almost 1.3 hectares, zoned as New Residential, has been developed as a significant tranche of public open space. This amendment proposes to rezone this area to Open Space/Green infrastructure, to reflect its current use.
- b) To ensure sufficiency of available land for development, an area of 0.77 hectares, is proposed for rezoning from Agriculture to New Residential.
- c) To reflect the current development constructed (and remaining site under construction), an area of 1.2 hectares is proposed for rezoning from Agriculture to Existing Residential.

In accordance with the requirements of Article 14A, a 'screening' of the proposed Amendment was undertaken in respect of SEA. A Draft Screening report, setting out the Council's considerations with regard to the relevant criteria for determining whether the Amendment was likely to have significant impacts on the environment, was submitted to the environmental authorities in line with Article 14A of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended.

None of the authorities advised that a Strategic Environmental Assessment should be carried out; the information contained in the response received from the EPA was taken into account.

The SEA screening, which had regard to the criteria set out in schedule 2A of the Regulations, did not indicate that that the proposed Amendment was likely to have significant impacts on the environment.

Taking into account the findings of the SEA process that are detailed in an SEA Screening Report that accompanies this Determination, Kilkenny County Council have determined that the Proposed Amendment to the Callan Local Area Plan, 2019, would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment, therefore an environmental assessment is not required.

Signed

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Date

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