



Comhairle Contae Lú
Louth County Council

**Screening for Appropriate Assessment (AA) Determination
under the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) for:
Proposed Material Alterations to the Dundalk Draft Local Area Plan 2024-2030**

A Screening for Appropriate Assessment (AA) Determination is being made by Louth County Council regarding Proposed Material Alterations to the Dundalk Draft Local Area Plan 2024-2030.

Section 20 (3) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, requires, inter alia, a determination to be made as to whether Proposed Material Alterations to the Draft Plan warrant the undertaking of AA.

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

- Screening for AA Report for Proposed Material Alterations to the Dundalk Draft Local Area Plan 2024-2030;
- Proposed Material Alterations to the Dundalk Draft Local Area Plan 2024-2030;
- AA Natura Impact Report for the Dundalk Draft Local Area Plan 2024-2030; and
- Dundalk Draft Local Area Plan 2024-2030.

This Screening for AA Report demonstrates that the implementation of the Proposed Material Alterations will not result in any likely significant effect on any European site.

Following the source-pathway-receptor model, the relevant attributes of European sites were assessed. No source for a likely significant effect to any European site would arise from the Proposed Material Alterations that have not already been considered by the existing AA process for the Draft Plan.

The risks to the safeguarding and integrity of the qualifying interests, special conservation interests and conservation objectives of the European sites have been addressed through measures that have already been integrated into the Draft Plan and through existing, already in force, policies and objectives within the existing Louth County Development Plan with which the Proposed Material Alterations and all lower tier plans/projects must comply. In addition, any future projects, plans etc. that may arise will themselves be subject to AA/Screening for AA when further details of design and location are known.

The undersigned, having carefully considered the information referred to above agrees with and adopts the reasoning and conclusion presented above and in the Screening for AA Report. It is determined that the Proposed Material Alterations will not give rise to any likely significant effect on any European site, alone or in combination with any other plans, programmes, and projects etc. and that, consequently, Stage 2 AA is not required for the Proposed Material Alterations.

Signatory:



Temporary Chief Executive
Louth County Council

02nd December 2024

Date

Comhairle Contae Lú
Halla an Bhaile
Sráid Crowe
Dún Dealgan
Contae Lú
A91 W20C

Louth County Council
Town Hall
Crowe Street
Dundalk
County Louth
A91 W20C

T + 353 42 9335457
E info@louthcoco.ie
W www.louthcoco.ie