

Proposed Variation No. 1: Kilcullen Settlement Plan of the Kildare County Development Plan 2023 - 2029

Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening Determination in accordance with the EU's Habitats Directive Article 6(3) and the Section 177U of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) for the Proposed Variation No. 1: Kilcullen Settlement Plan of the Kildare County Development Plan 2023 - 2029.

An Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening determination has been made by Kildare County Council regarding Proposed Variation No. 1: Kilcullen Settlement Plan of the Kildare County Development Plan 2023 - 2029.

Following an examination, analysis and evaluation of the best available information, and applying the precautionary principle, it can be concluded that the possibility of any significant effects on any European sites, whether arising from the Proposed Variation No. 1 of the Kildare County Development Plan 2023-2029 alone or in combination with other plans and projects, can be excluded. In reaching this conclusion, the nature of the Proposed Variation and its potential relationship with all European sites within the ZoI, and their conservation objectives, have been fully considered.

This decision has been informed by analysis prepared by ARUP in addition to other material pertinent to the European Sites held by the Council.

In conclusion, in accordance with Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive and Section 177U of the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010 (as amended), taking into account all matters relevant it has been determined that the Proposed Variation No. 1: Kilcullen Settlement Plan of the Kildare County Development Plan 2023 - 2029, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, will not have likely significant effects on a European site.

Signed

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