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## Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening Determination Under Article 9 of the European Communities (Environmental Assessment of Certain Plans and Programmes) Regulations 2004 (SI No. 435 of 2004 as amended) for Carrigaline Transportation and Public Realm Enhancement Plan (TPREP).

A Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening determination has been made by Cork County Council regarding the Carrigaline Transportation and Public Realm Enhancement plan (TPREP).

*Section 9 (1) of the (2004) Regulations (S.I. No. 435) (as amended) states "subject to sub-article (2), an environmental assessment shall be carried out for all plans and programmes*

*(a) which are prepared for agriculture, forestry, fisheries, energy, industry, transport, waste management, water management, telecommunications and tourism, and which set the framework for future development consent of projects listed in Annexes I and II to the Environmental Impact Assessment Directive, or*

*(b) which are not directly connected with or necessary to the management of a European site but, either individually or in combination with other plans, are likely to have a significant effect on any such site.*

The SEA Screening Report was issued to the relevant statutory body (Environmental Protection Agency) over a four-week period from 24<sup>th</sup> June to 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021. The Agency made a submission.

The comments made in relation to the Carrigaline TPREP were strategic in nature and do not identify issues or concerns relating to likely significant environmental effects associated with the implementation of the Carrigaline TPREP.

Following detailed review and assessment it is considered that the Carrigaline TPREP will not result in significant adverse environmental effects and therefore, does not require further assessment of the likely effect on the environment of the implementation of the Draft Carrigaline TPREP through SEA. This assessment is derived from the consideration of the following factors:

- The plan is a non-statutory plan and is wholly consistent with the landuse zoning objectives of the current Ballincollig Carrigaline Municipal District LAP 2017.

- The plan sits beneath the Ballincollig Carrigaline Municipal District LAP 2017 as well as the draft South Cork County Development Plan 2022-2028 which is currently under review, the Cork Metropolitan Area Transport Plan Strategy (CMATS) and the National Planning Framework (NPF) 2040 within the statutory planning hierarchy.
- The Carrigaline TPREP proposals aim to ensure that there is an integrated Transportation framework focused on addressing the transportation infrastructure and public realm enhancement required to support the sustainable development of the town.
- Carrigaline TPREP proposals are consistent with the Ballincollig Carrigaline Municipal District LAP.
- The existing environmental protection measures of the Ballincollig Carrigaline Municipal District LAP 2017.
- The Carrigaline TPREP has been determined to not give rise to likely significant effects on the conservation management objectives of European sites and the Owenabue estuary.
- The scale, nature and extent of Carrigaline TPREP proposals and the absence of significant adverse environmental effects arising from the TPREP.

This determination has been finalised in line with SI 435 of 2004 and SI 200 of 2011.



Signed

Cork County Council

Date      \_\_23/07/21\_\_