APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT



Decision Statement

Variation No. 7 to the Cork City Development Plan 2015 – 2021 (Bessboro Road, Mahon; Sunview, South Douglas Rd.; Westside, Model Farm Road; and Former Bolands Mills, Old Mallow Road)

The Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) requires Appropriate Assessments in the case of variations to the City Development Plan where they are likely to give rise to significant environmental effects.

Cork City Council, as Planning Authority for the City of Cork, hereby publishes its decision not to undertake an Appropriate Assessment for Variation No. 7 (Bessboro Road, Mahon; Sunview, South Douglas Rd.; Westside, Model Farm Road; and Former Bolands Mills, Old Mallow Road) of the *Cork City Development Plan 2015 – 2021*.

The reason for this decision is as follows:

Having completed a screening, Cork City Council has determined that an Appropriate Assessment is not necessary for Variation No. 7, as it is considered that there is no potential for significant effects on Natura 2000 sites/networks.

This decision CEO/44759/19 has been taken having regard to the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and the *Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland Guidance for Planning Authorities*. Cork City Council consulted the Department of Arts, Heritage and Gaeltacht as part of the screening process and received no adverse comment regarding the environmental implications of the proposed plan.

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