

## AA SCREENING DETERMINATION

Of

### Midleton Wastewater Treatment Plant - Ground Investigation Works, Co. Cork.

In accordance with Article 6(3) of the EU Habitats Directive (Directive 92/43/EEC) and Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, Uisce Éireann has undertaken Appropriate Assessment screening to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of the site, if the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on European Site(s).

The Scope of works involves completing ground investigation works on the Midleton Wastewater Treatment Plant in Co. Cork. The proposed Ground Investigation works are due to take place within and outside the boundary of an existing Midleton Wastewater Treatment Plant, along the agriculture fields, and on a public road. The proposed investigation works include Trial Pits, Boreholes, rotary core drilling, Slit Trenches, Dynamic Probing, and Windowless Sampling.

In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Site(s) listed below:

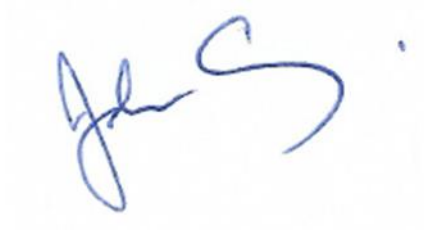
- *Great Island Channel SAC (001058)*
- *Cork Harbour SPA (004030)*

In accordance with Regulation 42(7) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, **Uisce Éireann has made a determination following screening that an Appropriate Assessment is not required** as the project is not directly connected with or necessary to the management of the sites as European site(s) and **as it can be excluded**, on the basis of objective information and in light of the conservation objectives of the relevant European Site(s), **that the project, individually or in combination with other plans and projects, would have a significant effect on a European Site.**

This determination is based on the nature, location, scale and duration of the proposed works, including any temporary works and excludes any consideration of mitigation measures.

Full records of the assessment, reports, surveys, consultations, and observations are held by the competent authority and available for public review as requested.

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