



Board Direction

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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 15th September 2016.

The Board decided to grant permission generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, for the reasons and considerations and subject to the conditions shown on the attached copy of the Inspector's report subject to the amendments shown in manuscript.

The Board completed a screening exercise, taking into account the screening report submitted with the application and the Inspector's report and submissions on file, in relation to potential impacts of the site having regard to the nature and scale of the proposed development and characteristics of nearby European sites including the Lower River Shannon SAC and the River Shannon and Fergus Estuaries SPA. The Board agreed with the Inspector and concluded that no Appropriate Assessment issues arise and the Board concluded on the basis of the information available that the application for consent for proposed development, either individually or in combination with other plans or projects would not be likely to have a significant effect on a European site and in particular site number 002165 (Lower River Shannon SAC) or site number 004077 (River Shannon and Fergus Estuaries SPA).

The Board also had regard to the addendum report of the inspector completed 9TH August 2016 and carried out a screening exercise in relation

to environmental impact assessment that had regard to the nature and scale of the proposed development and the thresholds and criteria set out in Schedules 5 and 7 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2000-2011. The Board agreed with the inspector and concluded that the proposed development would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment, either individually or in combination with other plans or projects. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Board Member: _____ Date: 15th September 2016
Michael Leahy