

Board Direction BD-007698-21 ABP-308888-20

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 12/03/2021.

The Board decided not to direct the local authority to prepare a Natura Impact Statement in respect of the proposed development, based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to:

- (a) The nature and limited scale of the proposed development,
- (b) The separation distance between the proposed development and European sites,
- (c) the submission made on behalf of the local authority, including the Appropriate Assessment Screening Report received on the 21st day of January 2021, and
- (d) the report and recommendation of the person appointed by the Board to make a report and recommendation on the matter,

it is considered reasonable to conclude that, on the basis of the information available which is considered adequate to issue a screening determination, the proposed development, either individually and in combination with other plans or projects, would not be likely to have a significant effect on Ballinskelligs Bay and Inny Estuary SAC (site code: 000335), Killarney National Park, Macgillycuddy Reeks and Caragh

River Catchment SAC (site code: 000365), Kenmare River SAC (site code: 002158), Valencia Harbour/Portmagee Channel SAC (site code: 002262), Iveragh Peninsula SPA (site code: 004154), Deenish Island and Scariff Island SPA (site code: 004175), in view of the conservation objectives of these sites, and that a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment and the submission of a Natura Impact Statement for the proposed development is not, therefore, required.

Board Member		Date:	12/03/2021
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