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**Board Direction**  
**BD-008466-21**  
**ABP-309556-21**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 09/06/21.

The Board determined, generally in accordance with the Inspector's recommendation, that a Natura Impact Statement is not required in respect of the said development for the reasons and considerations set out below.

### **Reasons and Considerations**

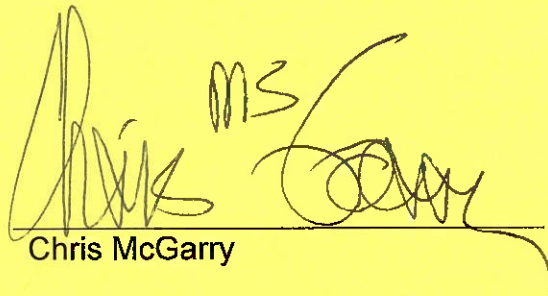
Having regard to:

- (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 3<sup>rd</sup> March 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, that the proposed development, either individually and in combination with other plans or projects, would not be likely to have a significant effect on the River Shannon and River Fergus Estuaries Special Protection Area (site code 004077), the Lower River Shannon Special Area of Conservation (site code 002165), the Curraghchase

Woods Special Area of Conservation (site code 000174), the Tory Hill Special Area of Conservation (site code 000439) and the Askeaton Fen Complex Special Area of Conservation (002279), 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**

 MS  
Chris McGarry

**Date:** 09/06/2021