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Board Direction
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At a meeting held on 25/03/2022, the Board considered the report of the Inspector, and the documents and submissions on file generally, in relation to the question of whether Kildare County Council should be directed to prepare a Natura Impact Statement in respect of the proposed remediation of Digby Bridge Closed Landfill at Digby Bridge, Barrettstown, Sallins, County Kildare.

The Board decided to direct the local authority not 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 location of the proposed development outside of any European designated Sites, and the separation distance between the proposed development and the European Sites at the closest points,
- c) the absence of identified pathways and hydrological connections between the proposed development and European Sites,
- d) the lack of in-combination effects arising from other proposed and permitted development in the vicinity, and

e) the report and recommendation of the Inspector,

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 or in combination with other plans or projects would not be likely to adversely affect the integrity of any European Sites, in view of the Sites' conservation objectives and, therefore, a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment and the submission of a Natura Impact Statement for the proposed development is not required. There is no reasonable scientific doubt as to the absence of such effects.

Board Member:



Dave Walsh

Date: 25/03/2022