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**Board Direction**  
**BD-015703-24**  
**ABP-317440-23**

The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 04/03/2024.

The Board determined that the development proposed of amenity looped paths and all associated site development works would not be likely to have a significant effect on the integrity of the identified European Sites, and Kerry County Council be advised that the submission of a Natura Impact Assessment report in respect of the development is not required by the local authority, based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

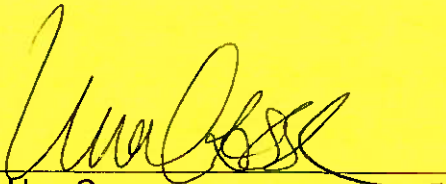
### **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to:

- (a) the planning and development regulations 2001-2021,
- (b) the nature and limited scale of the development,
- (c) the location of the development outside of any European designated sites,
- (d) the lack of in-combination effects arising from other proposed and permitted development in the vicinity,
- (e) the submissions made to the Board including the initial request, the Local Authority's response to the Board and response to same,
- (f) 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 development, either individually or in combination with other plans or projects would not be likely to have a significant effect on Kenmare River SAC, (Site Code: 002158), or any other European Site, in view of the sites' conservation objectives and, therefore, a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment and the submission of a Natura Impact Statement for the development is not required.

**Board Member**

  
Una Crosse

**Date:** 04/03/2024