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## Board Order ABP-317131-23

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### Planning and Development Acts, 2000 to 2022

#### Planning Authority: Fingal County Council

**Application** by Malahide Old Village Residents Association, care of Majella Dunne, 4 New Street, Malahide, County Dublin requesting An Bord Pleanála to exercise its powers under article 250(3)(a) of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended, whether Fingal County Council should be directed to prepare a Natura Impact Statement in respect of public realm improvements for a pedestrianised New Street, Malahide, County Dublin.

### Decision

**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 scale of the proposed development,
- (b) the location of the proposed development and the separation distance from the European Sites,
- (c) the hydrological connection between the site and the European Sites via an adjacent watercourse,
- (d) the ecological connection between the site and the European Sites via an adjacent watercourse and treelines and vegetation,
- (e) the submission made by the local authority, including the Appropriate Assessment Screening Report,
- (f) the submission made by the applicant requesting a determination, and
- (g) 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, that the proposed development, either individually or in combination with other plans or projects, would not be likely to have a significant effect on the identified European Sites 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, therefore, not required.

*Eamonn James Kelly*

**Eamonn James Kelly  
Member of An Bord Pleanála  
duly authorised to authenticate  
the seal of the Board.**

Dated this *17<sup>th</sup>* day of *November*, 2023

