

Planning Authority Environmental Impact Assessment Screening Determination Statement for Celbridge Hazelhatch Mobility Corridor

Environmental Impact Assessment Screening Statement

RPS, on behalf of KCC, has prepared information specified in Annex III of the EIA Directive and Schedule 7A of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended along with other relevant information on the characteristics of the Proposed Development and its likely significant effects on the environment. It also includes, as relevant, descriptions of the features of the Proposed Scheme including standard good practice measures and measures envisaged to avoid or prevent what might otherwise have been significant adverse effects on the environment.

KCC considers that the Environmental Impact Assessment Screening Report prepared by RPS on its behalf, includes a fair and reasonable assessment of the likely significant effects of the Proposed Scheme on the environment.

That assessment is adopted as the assessment of KCC.

Kildare County Council (KCC) as Competent Authority determines that there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the Proposed Scheme, and accordingly determines that an EIA (Environmental Impact Assessment) is not required.

Reasons for Determination

- Having regard to Parts 1 and 2 of Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (as amended), it is concluded that the proposed development is not of a type listed in Part 1 or Part 2. The requirement for mandatory EIA under the Planning and Development Regulations is therefore not met.
- The proposed development is not a type of development that requires mandatory EIA as required under Section 50 (1)(a) of the Roads Act, 1993, as amended.
- The EIA Screening Report provides an assessment of whether the proposed development would or would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment by addressing the criteria and information set out in Annex III and II.A of the EIA Directive, as transposed by the Roads Act.

- Having regard to the characteristics of the proposed development and its location, it is concluded that the proposed works are not complex in nature.
- The standard good practice measures and mitigation measures as contained within the Natura Impact Statement, the Environmental Report, the FRA and related information that accompanies the application will effectively reduce impacts such that the development site will be contained and controlled and the proposed works will not give rise to significant or complex environmental effects or impacts.
- Following the sub-threshold assessment outlined in the EIA Screening Report including the reasoning contained in the assessment, and the further reasons set out above, the assessment concluded that no significant effects on the environment are considered likely to arise.
- It is determined that the development does not require Environmental Impact Assessment and that an EIAR is not necessary.

Signed:

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Date:

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