SLIGO COUNTY COUNCIL COMHAIRLE CHONTAE SHLIGIGH

Chief Executive's Order No. 9

Project Ref: PO 1010

Subject:

N16 Lugatober (Drumkilsellagh to Lugnagall) Proposed Road Development

Part XAB of the Planning & Development Acts, 2000 to 2018

EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

EU Birds Directive (2009/147/EC)

Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination

Submitted: Mc Carthy Keville O'Sullivan, Planning & Environmental Consultants prepared an assessment report to inform the screening for appropriate assessment of the N16 Lugatober (Drumkilsellagh to Lugnagall) proposed road development, entitled 'Provision of Information for Appropriate Assessment Screening', attached.

Sligo County Council has reviewed the document entitled 'Provision of Information for Appropriate Assessment Screening'. Having regard to this document, the County Council has concluded, that it cannot be excluded, on the basis of objective information, that the proposed road development, individually or in combination with other plans and projects, would have a significant effect on the Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay) SAC, Sligo/Leitrim Uplands SPA, Cummeen Strand SPA (004035) and Drumcliff Bay SPA. The screening for appropriate assessment has been completed in view of the best scientific knowledge.

Recommendation from Fergus Meehan, A/SEE dated 30th January 2019, as endorsed by Emer Concannon, SE and approved by Tom Kilfeather, DoS that Sligo County Council determines that an Appropriate Assessment is required in order to assess the implications of the Project for the sites described above, in view of the relevant conservation objectives.

Order:

Having regard to the above 'Provision of Information for Appropriate Assessment Screening' report as prepared by Mc Carthy Keville O'Sullivan, Planning & Environmental Consultants and recommendation, endorsement and approval of Tom Kilfeather, Director of Infrastructural Services, I hereby order that in accordance with Section 177AE of the Planning & Development Act, the County Council shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, a Natura Impact Statement and shall apply to An Bord Pleanála for approval.

Signed this <u>/</u> day of February 2019

Dorothy Clarke

Director of Services

To whom this function has been delegated in accordance with the provisions of Section 154 of the Local Government Act, 2001, by Order No. 6/19 dated 23rd

January 2019

To:

Emer Concannon, Senior Engineer, TII National Roads Project Office

From:

Fergus Meehan: A/Senior Executive Engineer, TII National Roads Project Office

Subject:

N16 Lugatober (Drumkilsellagh to Lugnagall) Proposed Road

Development

Date:

30/01/2019

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Attached herewith is a report prepared by McCarthy Keville O'Sullivan, Planning & Environmental Consultants which pertains to an assessment report to inform the screening for appropriate assessment of the N16 Lugatober (Drumkilsellagh to Lugnagall) proposed road development, entitled 'Provision of Information for Appropriate Assessment Screening'.

Having regard to this document, I concur with the conclusions therein and that it cannot be excluded, on the basis of objective information, that the proposed road development, individually or in combination with other plans and projects, would have a significant effect on the Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay) SAC, Sligo/Leitrim Uplands SPA, Cummeen Strand SPA (004035) and Drumcliff Bay SPA.

I therefore recommend that Sligo County Council determines, that an Appropriate Assessment is required in order to assess the implications of the Project for the sites described above, in view of the relevant conservation objectives. In this regard and in accordance with section 177AE of the Planning and Development Act, the County Council shall submit a Natura Impact Statement and shall apply to An Bord Pleanála for approval.

The screening for appropriate assessment has been completed in view of best scientific knowledge.

Signed

Fergus Meehan, A/ Senior Executive Engineer, TII NRPO

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Date: 30.01.2019

Endorsed

Emer Concannon, Senior Engineer, TII NRPO

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Date: 30.01.2019

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