

**COMHAIRLE CONTAE BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH THEAS**  
**South Dublin County Council**  
**Record of Executive Business and Chief Executive's Orders**

Planning and Development Act 2000 (Part XI) (as amended)

Planning and Development Regulations, 2001(Part 8) (as amended)

**PROPOSED LUCAN VILLAGE SCHEMES**

**(Lucan Demesne Plaza, Lucan Promenade, Lucan Main Street and Lucan Village Green)**

**Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening Determination**

Pursuant to the requirements of the above, South Dublin County Council is proposing to construct the proposed Lucan Village Schemes, (Lucan Demesne Plaza, Lucan Promenade, Lucan Main Street and Lucan Village Green)

It is intended to place the plans and particulars for the development on public display in accordance with the requirements of the Planning and Development Act 2000 to 2011 (as amended) and Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 to 2012 - Part 8.

Having regard to Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive, the guidance contained in the Department of Housing Planning Community and Local Government's "Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland Guidance for Planning Authorities" (2010) and other relevant guidance, screening of the development for Appropriate Assessment was carried out in December 2021 by Doherty Environmental Consultants, Glanturkin, Whitegate, Co. Cork.

The stage one screening for AA for the proposed Lucan Village Schemes, (Lucan Demesne Plaza, Lucan Promenade, Lucan Main Street and Lucan Village Green) demonstrates that the proposed development is not likely to have significant effects on any European site. The AA screening process has considered potential effects which may arise during the construction and operational phases as a result of the implementation of the project. Through an assessment of the pathways for effects and an evaluation of the project characteristics, taking account of the processes involved and the distance of separation from European sites, it has been evaluated that there are no likely significant adverse effects on the qualifying interests, special conservation interests or the conservation objectives of any designated European site.

During the examination of the schemes, it was found that 5 no. European Sites occur along the River Liffey adjacent to which the project sites are located. The nearest European Sites to the project site (i.e., the Rye Water Valley SAC) is located approximately 2.7km to the west. Of the 5 no. European Sites occurring within the wider area along the River Liffey, the potential for a pathway was discounted between two, namely the Rye Water Valley SAC and the South Dublin Bay SAC. This is due to the location of the Rye Water Valley SAC approximately 2.5km upstream of the nearest point of the project site and the absence of interactions between the River Liffey and the South Dublin Bay SAC. The potential for the River Liffey to function as an impact pathway between the project site and the remaining three European Sites was examined further as part of this screening exercise. This examination was completed by considering all aspects of the proposed project that could result in the emission of potentially polluting material to the River Liffey.

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