

COMHAIRLE CATHRACH CHORCAI



CORK CITY COUNCIL

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ORDER

ORDER NO:

5016/21

SUBJECT:

Determination on the requirement for Environmental Impact Assessment for the proposed Ballyhooly Road Strategic Transport Corridor – North Ring Road to Mervue in Cork City.

Whereas

On the recommendations of Edith Roberts, Senior Engineer, Infrastructure Development, and Kevin Gallagher, Senior Executive Engineer, Infrastructure Development, and having considered the document titled "Ballyvolane Strategic Transport Corridor Screening for Environmental Impact Assessment" for this project I am satisfied that the proposed development constitutes a sub threshold development in respect of which an Environmental Impact Assessment is not mandatory.

I note that the Environmental Impact Assessment Screening Report contains a comprehensive analysis of the proposed development having regards to the criteria contained in Schedule 7A of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended), the Department of Housing, Planning Local Government document "Guidelines for Planning Authorities and An Bord Pleanála on carrying out Environmental Impact Assessment", Section 176B of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as Amended and the European Union Planning and Development (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2018.

Having considered the said recommendations and report and having regard to the criteria set out in the afore mentioned legislation, I am satisfied that the proposed development is unlikely to have an effect on the environment, including the Cork Harbour SPA (004030) and the Great Island Channel cSAC (001058), and therefore determine that an Environmental Impact Assessment would not be necessary or required.

Accordingly the proposed development shall proceed subject to the provisions of Section 179 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended, and the provisions of Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended.

Dated

2nd Day of November 2021


Gerry O'Beirne, Director of Services, Infrastructure Development, Cork City Council