



Comhairle Chontae Liatroma Leitrim County Council

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening Determination under the Planning and Development Act 2024 (as amended) and the European Union (Land Use Planning – Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations 2025 (SI No. 456 of 2025) for:

Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Variation No. 1 to the Leitrim County Development Plan 2023-2029

A Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening determination as to whether Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Variation No. 1 to the Leitrim County Development Plan 2023-2029 are likely to have significant effects on the environment is being made by Leitrim County Council under Section 58 of the Planning and Development Act 2024 (as amended) and the European Union (Land Use Planning – SEA) Regulations 2025 (SI No. 456 of 2025).

In making the determination, the information contained in the accompanying Screening for SEA Report (including information provided by environmental authorities and an examination of the need to undertake SEA against relevant criteria set out in Schedule 2 of the above Regulations) is being taken into account. That information has been carefully considered and its reasoning and conclusion agreed with and adopted – allowing a determination to be made that the Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Variation No. 1 would not be likely to result in significant environmental effects.

The Leitrim County Development Plan 2023-2029 was subject to full SEA, which identified the likely significant environmental effects, if unmitigated, of implementing the County Development Plan, and facilitated the integration of measures into the County Development Plan to ensure the appropriate protection and management of the environment with which all lower-tier plans and projects arising from the varied County Development Plan will be required. The Proposed Variation, which is being subject to full SEA, requires compliance with these measures and includes additional such measures that must be complied with.

Taking into account the measures that have been integrated into both the Proposed Variation and the existing County Development Plan that provide for and contribute towards environmental protection, environmental management and sustainable development, any potential effects arising from most Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Variation No. 1, would either: be present already (beneficial) and would be further contributed towards, but not to a significant extent; and/or would be mitigated so as not to be significant (adverse). Consequently, these Proposed Material Alterations are determined as not requiring SEA.

The Screening for SEA Report for Proposed Material Alterations also demonstrates that Proposed Material Alterations 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 and 14 require SEA and consideration in an SEA Environmental Report.

The undersigned, having carefully considered the information referred to above agrees with and adopts the reasoning and conclusion presented above and in the Screening for SEA Report. The undersigned hereby determines that SEA is required for Proposed Material Alterations 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 and 14. The SEA will be completed by 7th August 2026.

Signatory:

Justin Farnon

Date: 5th August 2026