

SUBJECT: Appropriate Assessment Screening Report - Phase 3 Ground Investigation Works for the N4 Carrick-on-Shannon Bypass & Traffic Management Project - Addendum No.3

SUBMITTED: Report dated 14th May, 2025 prepared for ARUP on behalf of Leitrim County Council by Scott Cawley, College House, 71 – 73 Rock Road, Blackrock, Dublin and Report dated 27th May, 2025 from Mr. Bernard Greene, Senior Planner, Leitrim County Council.

ORDER: I hereby order that in accordance with Regulation 250(1) of the Planning Development Regulations, 2001, (S.I. No. 600 of 2001) as inserted by Regulation 26 of the Planning & Development (Amendment) (No. 3) Regulations, 2011 (S.I. No. 476 of 2011), concerning “Screening for Appropriate Assessment – Addendum No. 3” which states:

“As there is no possibility of the additional Phase 3 GI locations (2025) affecting any European sites, the additional phase 3 Ground Investigation works locations (2023 and 2024) also does not affect the conclusion of the AA Screening Report previously prepared by Scott Cawley Ltd. Therefore, following an examination, analysis, and evaluation of the best available information, and applying the precautionary principle, it can be concluded that the likelihood of any significant effects on any European sites, whether arising from the Project alone or in combination with other plans and projects, can be excluded, for the reasons set out in Section 3.3 of the original AA Screening Report, and as set out in Section 3 of this AA Screening Addendum. In reaching this conclusion, the nature of the proposed additional Phase 3 GI works and their potential relationship with all European sites within the zone of influence, and their conservation objectives, have been fully considered.

Therefore, it is the professional opinion of the authors of this report that the proposed additional Phase 3 GI works (2025) does not require a Stage Two AA or the preparation of a NIS.”.

Having considered the report entitled ‘Appropriate Assessment Screening Report - Phase 3 Ground Investigation Works for the N4 Carrick-on-Shannon Bypass & Traffic Management Project - Addendum No.3’ and report dated 27th May 2025 from Mr. Bernard Greene, Senior Planner, Leitrim County Council and having agreed with the conclusion of both Reports, I have determined that the proposed road works as described in this report would not require an Appropriate Assessment or the preparation of a Natura Impact Statement (NIS)

SIGNED: 

DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE & DIRECTOR OF SERVICES
HOUSING, PLANNING, CORPORATE SERVICES AND TRANSFORMATION
AND CARRICK-ON-SHANNON MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

Date: 27th May 2025