

SUBJECT: Appropriate Assessment Screening Report of Ground Investigation Works for N4 Carrick-on-Shannon to Dromod Project, Co. Leitrim

SUBMITTED: Appropriate Assessment Screening Report for the N4 Carrick on Shannon to Dromod Project as prepared by Scott Cawley which concludes as follows:-
"Following an examination, analysis and evaluation of the best available information, and applying the precautionary principle, it can be concluded that the possibility 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 above. In reaching this conclusion, the nature of the project and its 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 application for consent for the proposed works do not require an Appropriate Assessment or the preparation of a Natura Impact Statement (NIS)." Conclusion as outlined above endorsed by A/Senior Engineer on 10th March, 2021.

ORDER: 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" which states:
"In order to ascertain whether an appropriate assessment is required in respect of a development which it proposes to carry out a local authority shall carry out a screening of the proposed development to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge, if the development, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, would be likely to have a significant effect on a European site".
Having considered the Appropriate Assessment Screening Report for the N4 Carrick on Shannon to Dromod Project by Scott Cawley as set out above, and having agreed with the Conclusions of same, I have determined that the proposed works as described in this Report do not require an Appropriate Assessment or the preparation of a Natura Impact Statement (NIS)

SIGNED: 

Director of Services/Deputy Chief Executive
Economic Development, Planning & Infrastructural Services,
Carrick-on-Shannon Municipal District.

Date: 23rd March 2021