- **SUBJECT:** Appropriate Assessment Screening Report Phase 3 Ground Investigation Works for the N4 Carrick-on-Shannon to Dromod Project
- **SUBMITTED:** Prepared for ARUP on behalf of Leitrim County Council by Scott Cawley, College House, 71 73 Rock Road, Blackrock, Dublin.
- **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" which states:

"In order to ascertain whether an appropriate assessment is required in respect of a development which is proposed 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".

OR

"Following an examination, analysis and evaluation of all relevant information, in view of best scientific knowledge, and applying the precautionary principle, it can be concluded that the possibility of any significant effects on any European sites, whether arising from the proposed Phase 3 GI work 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".

Having considered the report entitled "Appropriate Assessment Screening Report - Phase 3 Ground Investigation Works for the N4 Carrick-on-Shannon to Dromod Project" and having agreed with the conclusion of same, 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:

DIRECTOR OF SERVICES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANNING & TRANSPORT

24th April 2023

Date: