

**Platform For Growth: Shared Community Facilities Project at Fenit, Co. Kerry
Planning Authority Habitats Directive Appropriate Assessment
Screening Determination Statement**

Stage I Appropriate Assessment Screening Statement

Kerry County Council as Competent Authority determines that the proposed works, individually, and in combination with other plans and projects, are not likely to have a significant effect on a European site (Natura 2000 Site), and as such, a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment / Natura Impact Statement is not required.

It is considered that the AA Screening Report prepared by CAAS Ltd. contains a fair and reasonable assessment of the likelihood of significant effects of the development on European sites. That assessment is adopted as the assessment of Kerry County Council.

Reasons for Determination

- There is no likelihood of potentially significant effects on the qualifying interests, special conservation interests, or the conservation objectives of any designated European site as a result of the implementation of the proposed project.
- Given the small, localised scale, and the nature of the proposed scheme, it will not lead to any significant in-combination effects arising from any other plans or projects.
- The proposed development will not undermine any of the conservation objectives.
- The assessment fully considered the details of the targets and attributes in the conservation objectives of the site as well as the supporting material.
- No direct loss or alteration of habitats in Natura 2000 sites will occur.
- No significant habitat or species fragmentation arising as a result of the proposal is likely.
- Therefore, it is objectively concluded that significant effects on the Conservation Objectives of Natura 2000 sites including the Akeragh, Banna and Barrow Harbour SAC and Tralee Bay Complex SPA are not likely.

Signed: _____


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