Screening for Appropriate Assessment Determination under Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive and Part XAB of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) for:

Proposed Variation to the Galway City Development Plan 2017-2023 (October 2017)

The Proposed Variation to the Galway City Development Plan 2017-2023 is to amend Section 11.2.2 Natural Heritage, Recreation and Amenity RA Land Use Zoning Objectives by adding the specific development objective Figure 11.5 Kirwan Junction Headford Road and to amend Figure 11.2 Menlo Park Hotel.

Appropriate Assessment (AA) screening was carried out to determine whether or not the Proposed Variation would be likely to adversely affect the integrity of any European site and whether or not an AA is required. As part of the AA process, a Determination is made in accordance with Article 6(3) of the EC Habitats Directive and Part XAB of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended).

The AA screening report concluded that the Proposed Variation, by itself or in combination with other plans and projects, in light of best scientific knowledge in the field, will not, in view of European Sites' conservation objectives, have significant effects on any European Site.

Galway City Council having examined the Article 6(3) Appropriate Assessment Screening Report: Proposed Variation to the Galway City Development Plan 2017-2023 (October 2017) are in agreement with its conclusion. It is determined that the Proposed Variation does not have the potential to give rise to significant effects on European sites, alone and or in-combination with other plans and projects.

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