

**Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening Determination
under:**

**European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011
(S.I. No. 477 of 2011)**

for the:

Clane Local Area Plan 2017 - 2023

An Appropriate Assessment Screening determination has been made by Kildare County Council regarding the Clane Local Area Plan, which has been prepared for adoption in compliance with the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and the Local Area Plans Guidelines for Planning Authorities.

The European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 477 of 2011) require, inter alia, a determination to be made as to whether the LAP is required to be subject to Appropriate Assessment (AA). This process is referred to as screening and the findings of the screening are presented in an AA Screening Report that accompanies and has informed this determination.

In light of best scientific knowledge, it has been determined that the Clane LAP will not have a significant effect upon the integrity of Natura 2000 sites within the zone of influence of the Plan, having regard to their conservation objectives, either alone or in combination with other plans, programmes or projects. It is therefore determined that a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment is not required.

This decision has taken into account the content of the Local Area Plan and the findings of the AA Screening Report.

Signed: _____
Signatory
Approved Officer

