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SEA Screening Determination for Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Variation No. 1 to the Tipperary County Development Plan 2022 – 2028

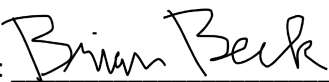
Tipperary County Council (TCC) has prepared Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Variation No. 1 to the Tipperary County Development Plan 2022 - 2028.

A Screening Determination for the need for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is being made by TCC in respect of the Proposed Material Alterations to the Proposed Variation No. 1 to the Tipperary County Development Plan 2022 – 2028 in accordance with the requirements of Directive 2001/42/EC (SEA Directive) and particularly Articles 3(3), 3(4) & 3(5) which relate to ‘screening’ for the requirement for SEA.

A screening assessment was carried out using the criteria for determining the likely significance of effects as set out in the SEA Directive and transposing national legislation (S.I. No. 456 of 2025). Following assessment of the criteria and having regard to the nature of the alterations to the Proposed Variation No. 1 and the potential for likely significant environmental effects due to the alterations, TCC has determined that some of these alterations have the potential to give rise to likely significant effects on the environment and SEA of these alterations is required.

The principal reasons the Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Variation No. 1 require SEA are as follows:

- The Proposed Material Alterations have the potential to result in likely, significant effects beyond the scope of what has been considered under the SEA process for Proposed Variation No. 1 to date, including effects on biodiversity, hydrology and surface water quality, traffic and transport conditions and material assets (in the absence of considering environmental mitigation measures);
- TCC has determined that Appropriate Assessment is required for the Proposed Material Alterations to Proposed Variation No. 1 under Part 6 Chapter 2 of the Planning and Development Act 2024 (as amended).

Signed: 

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