



Irish Water,  
Colvill House,  
24/26 Talbot Street,  
Dublin 1

18/07/2014

Dear Sir or Madam

I refer to your application for waste water discharge licence for the agglomeration named Ballycotton.

I am to advise you in accordance with Regulation 42(8)(a) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 477 of 2011) that the Agency has made a determination that an Appropriate Assessment is required as the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, is likely to have a significant effect on a European site(s). The Agency acknowledges receipt of a Natura Impact Statement, submitted on 19/11/2010.

The Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination is available to view below this notice. Please direct any queries that you may have in relation to the above to Loretta Joyce at 01-268 0100 or to OCLR Admin Team E.

Yours sincerely,

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## Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination

In accordance with Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations, 2011, S.I. No. 477 of 2011, the Agency has undertaken Appropriate Assessment screening to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of the site, if the activity, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on a European Sites. In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Sites listed below.

### Licence/Permit Application Details:

<b>Reg. No.</b>	D0516-01
<b>Applicant Name:</b>	Irish Water
<b>Location of Agglomeration:</b>	Ballycotton, Co. Cork
<b>Licence / Permit Application Date:</b>	26/01/2010
<b>European Site(s) assessed:</b>	Ballycotton Bay SPA (Site Code: 004022)
<b>Date of AA Screening Determination:</b>	18/07/2014

### AA Screening Determination:

That the activity is not directly connected with or necessary to the management of the site as a European Site and that it cannot be excluded, on the basis of objective scientific information, that the activity, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, will have a significant effect on a European site and accordingly determined that an Appropriate Assessment of the activity is required.

It has been determined that the activity does have the potential for significant effects on a European Site due to poor effluent quality and the direct hydrological connectivity of the discharge to a European Site.



Date: 18/07/2014

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Loretta Joyce

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