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Reg No H0475-01

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Historic Landfill Certificate of Authorisation Application by Wicklow County Council in respect of Fassaroe

Dear Mr Boland

I am to acknowledge receipt on 3 January 2019 of documents pertaining to your application for a Historic Landfill Certificate of Authorisation Application Reg No H0475-01, by Wicklow County Council, in respect of Fassaroe 2.

I am to advise you in accordance with Regulation 42(8)(a) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended 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). Notification of this determination is attached for your reference.

In carrying out an Appropriate Assessment the Agency shall take into account each of the matters specified in Regulation 42(12) of the European Communities (Birds and Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended where applicable.

The application and associated correspondence, including acknowledgements, notifications and general correspondence are available to view on the Agency website at www.epa.ie. You are advised to refer to the website for information on the progress of the application.

Please direct any further correspondence in relation to this matter to Administration, Office of Environmental Sustainability, Environmental Protection Agency, Headquarters, P.O. Box 3000, Johnstown Castle Estate, County Wexford.

Yours sincerely

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Eve O'Sullivan Programme Officer Environmental Licensing Programme

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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 Site. In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Site listed below.

Licence/Permit Application Details:

| Reg. No.  | H0475-01 (Fassaroe 2)                 |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Applicant Name:                                   | Wicklow County Council                |
| Location of Facility:                             | Fassaroe, County Wicklow              |
| Certificate of Authorisation<br>Application Date: | 03/01/2019                            |
| European Site assessed:                           | Ballyman Glen SAC [Site Code: 000713] |
| Date of AA Screening Determination:               | 08/03/2019                            |

## AA Screening Determination:

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

The reason for this determination is as follows:

- the northern boundary of the landfill site is adjacent to, and within the Ballyman Glen SAC [Site Code: 000713].
- slope failures and potentially unstable slopes have been recorded along the northern boundary of the landfill site adjacent to, and within the Ballyman Glen SAC [Site Code: 000713]

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Date: 08 / 03 / 2019

Dr Magnus Amajirionwu Office of Environmental Sustainability