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On behalf of Dublin City Council



27 July 2021

Reg. No. W0302-01

**Re: Appropriate Assessment in respect of a licence application from Dublin City Council in respect of the facility located at St. Margaret's Road, Ballymun, Dublin 11**

Dear Mr. Hunt,

I refer to your application for a licence application in respect of the facility located at St. Margaret's Road, Ballymun, Dublin 11.

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 EPA has made a determination that an Appropriate Assessment is not required as the project, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, is not likely to have a significant effect on a European site(s). Notification of this determination is attached for your reference.

The application and all associated correspondence are available to view on the EPA website at [www.epa.ie](http://www.epa.ie). You are advised to refer to the website for information on the progress of the application.

If you have any further queries, please contact [licensing@epa.ie](mailto:licensing@epa.ie).

Yours faithfully,

Environmental Licensing Programme  
Office of Environmental Sustainability  
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## Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination

In accordance with Regulation 42(1) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended, the Agency has undertaken Appropriate Assessment screening to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge and the conservation objectives of the site, if the proposed activities, individually or in combination with other plans or projects is likely to have a significant effect on European Sites. In this context, particular attention was paid to the European Sites listed below.

### Consent Details:

<b>Reg. No.</b>	W0302-01
<b>Applicant Name:</b>	Dublin City Council
<b>Type of Consent Sought:</b>	Waste
<b>Location of facility:</b>	St. Margaret's Road, Ballymun, Dublin 11
<b>Licence Application Date:</b>	12 June 2019
<b>European Sites assessed:</b>	North Bull Island SPA (Site Code: 004006)
	South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA (Site Code: 004024)
	South Dublin Bay SAC (Site Code: 000210)
	North Dublin Bay SAC (Site Code: 000206)
<b>Date of AA Screening Determination:</b>	27 July 2021

### AA Screening Determination:

That the proposed activities are not directly connected with or necessary to the management of any European site and that it can be excluded, on the basis of objective information, that the proposed activities, 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 proposed activities was not required.

This reasons for this determination are as follows:

- The proposed facility is not located within or directly adjacent to any designated European Site; the nearest site is approximately 5.5 km away. As such, direct impacts on qualifying interests will not arise.
- There is no direct hydrological connection between the facility and European sites. The nearest surface water (Santry River) is 500m to the north, there are no surface waters at the site; all drains in the vicinity of the site are culverted.
- There will be no process emissions to air, ground, groundwater or surface water from the facility. Waste water will be discharged to sewer. Storm water is discharged to a storm water

drain. As such there is unlikely to be significant impacts on air and marine water quality upon which the qualifying interests depend.

- The risk of environmental pollution arising from the facility is low due to the limited scale of the activity, the type of waste to be accepted, the impermeable surfaces where waste handling will take place and the waste handling procedures in operation.

  
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Jim Johnson

Office of Environmental Sustainability

Date: 27 July 2021