

## 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 activity, 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>	H0424-01
<b>Applicant Name:</b>	South Dublin County Council
<b>Type of Consent Sought:</b>	Certificate of Authorisation
<b>Location of Facility:</b>	Waterstown Landfill, Palmerstown, Dublin 20, County Dublin.
<b>Certificate of Authorisation Application Date:</b>	19 <sup>th</sup> October 2016
<b>European Sites assessed:</b>	North Dublin Bay SAC (site code: 000206)
	South Dublin Bay SAC (site code: 000210)
	North Bull Island SPA (site code: 004006)
	South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA (site code: 004024)
	Glenasmole Valley SAC (site code: 001209)
	Rye Water Valley/Carton SAC (site code: 001398)
	Wicklow Mountains SAC (site code: 002122)
Wicklow Mountains SPA (site code: 004040)	
<b>Date of AA Screening Determination:</b>	30 <sup>th</sup> September 2021

### 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 closed landfill is located immediately along the Liffey river (waterbody code: IE\_EA\_09L012350) which discharges into the North Dublin Bay SAC (site code: 000206), South Dublin Bay SAC (site code: 000210), North Bull Island SPA (site code: 004006) and South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA (site code: 004024), approximately 13.5km downstream of the site. Hence, there is a hydrological connection between the closed landfill and these European Sites.



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Date: 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021