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Mr. David Naughton
On behalf of Knockharley Landfill Limited



28 October 2022

Reg. No. W0146-04

Re: Appropriate Assessment in respect of a licence review from Knockharley Landfill Limited in respect of the installation located at Knockharley, Navan, (Includes Townlands of Tuiterrath & Flemingstown), Meath, C15 FX09

Dear Sir or Madam,

I refer to your application for a licence review in respect of the installation located at Knockharley, Navan, (Includes Townlands of Tuiterrath & Flemingstown), Meath, C15 FX09.

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 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. The EPA acknowledges receipt of a Natura Impact Statement, submitted on 23 October 2019.

In carrying out an Appropriate Assessment the EPA 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 EPA shall publish a Notice for Public Consultation on Appropriate Assessment under Regulation 42 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended.

Submissions or observations on a licence application can be made to the Agency in relation to Appropriate Assessment as set out in the notice for public consultation.

The application and all associated correspondence including the notice for public consultation are available to view on the EPA website at 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.

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 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:

Reg. No.	W0146-04
Applicant Name:	Knockharley Landfill Limited
Type of Consent Sought:	IEL
Location of installation:	Knockharley, Navan, (Includes Townlands of Tuiterrath & Flemingstown), Meath, C15 FX09
Licence Review Application Date:	22 October 2019
European Site(s) assessed:	River Boyne and River Blackwater SAC (Site Code: 002299)
	Boyne Coast and Estuary SAC (Site Code: 001957)
	River Boyne and River Blackwater SPA (Site Code: 004232)
	Boyne Estuary SPA (Site Code: 004080)
	River Nanny Estuary and Shore SPA (Site Code: 004158)
Date of AA Screening Determination:	28 October 2022

AA Screening Determination:

That the activities are 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 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 activities is required, and for this reason determined to require the applicant to submit a Natura Impact Statement.

This determination has been made in light of the following reason:

1. Due to the nature and scale of the activities and the potential impacts such activities may have

on the qualifying interests of the European Sites listed above.

Documents relating to the licence review application are available on the Agency's website at www.epa.ie


Anne Lucey
Office of Environmental Sustainability

Date: 28 October 2022