

## Notice for Public Consultation on Appropriate Assessment

## under Regulation 42 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 as amended

The EPA has given notice of its Appropriate Assessment Screening Determination to Uisce Éireann relating to an application for a review of Waste Water Discharge Licence for the Midleton agglomeration, Co. Cork, Register Number D0056-02.

This application is for the authorisation of waste water discharges from the waste water works serving the agglomeration. The application relates to waste water works, which includes an existing waste water treatment plant providing tertiary treatment with nutrient removal. The waste water discharges from the waste water works are Lough Mahon (Harper's Island) (WFD code: IE\_SW\_060\_0700) and to receiving waterbodies as per the table below. The population equivalent (p.e) to which the application relates is 45,000 p.e.

Location of waste water discharges and waste water treatment plant			
Location of primary discharge	Lough Mahon (Harper's Island) (WFD code: IE_SW_060_0700), Co. Cork Grid reference: 179911E, 72583N		
Location of secondary discharge	North Channel Great Island at Rathcoursey Point (WFD code: IE_SW_060_0300) Co. Cork Grid reference: 186177E, 69506N		
Location of waste water treatment plant	Tullagreen, Carrigtwohill, Co. Cork Grid reference: 181177E, 72228N		
Location of discharges from storm water overflows and emergency overflows			
Receiving Waterbody	Overflows Associated with Waterbody	Geographic Reference	
Tibbotstown_010 (WFD code: IE_SW_19T250870)	SW003	181276E, 72256N	
	SW004	181133E, 72310N	
	SW006	181544E, 73040N	
	SW007	181544E, 73040N	
Lough Mahon (Harper's Island)	SW005	181117E, 72240N	
(WFD code: IE_SW_060_0700)	SW008	180594E, 72283N	
Owennacurra Estuary (WFD code: IE_SW_060_0400)	SW010	187975E, 73109N	
	SW011	188047E, 72518N	
	SW012	188518E, 71783N	
	SW020	187687E, 73025N	

Owennacurra_040 (WFD code: IE_SW_190030500)	SW014	187475E, 72902N
Dungourney_020 	SW016	188346E, 73332N
	SW017	188265E, 73232N
	SW018	188332E, 73316N
	SW019	188703E, 73401N
	SW021	188346E, 73332N

The EPA has carried out an Appropriate Assessment Screening and has determined that an Appropriate Assessment <u>is required</u> for the waste water discharges. The applicant has submitted a Natura Impact Statement.

The documents relating to the licence application, including the Appropriate Assessment documentation can be viewed on the EPA website at www.epa.ie or at EPA Headquarters, P.O. Box 3000, Johnstown Castle Estate, Co. Wexford (Tel: Lo Call 0818 33 55 99 or 053 9160600).

Submissions or observations on Appropriate Assessment concerning a licence application can be made to the Agency. Such submissions may be made for at least 30 days after publication of the following information on the Agency's website:

- This Notice for Public Consultation on Appropriate Assessment
- Natura Impact Statement received from applicant
- Additional information submitted on the Natura Impact Statement

Information on making submissions or observations and on the public participation process is available on the Agency's website.

The EPA shall publish its decision (grant/refusal) on its website, and before making a decision, the EPA shall consider any submissions.

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