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## Ballina Flood Relief Scheme - Ground Investigation Works

## **Appropriate Assessment Determination**

26th February 2021

A Screening for Appropriate Assessment has been carried out for the proposed Ground Investigation works required to inform the pre-planning and design of the Ballina flood Relief Scheme.

In accordance with Regulation 250(1) of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 as amended, concerning Screening for Appropriate Assessment, which states:

"In order to ascertain whether an appropriate assessment is required in respect of a development which it proposes to carry out a local authority shall carry out a screening of the proposed development to assess, in view of best scientific knowledge, if the development, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, would be likely to have a significant effect on a European site,"

Mayo County Council, having considered the report entitled <u>Ballina Flood Relief Scheme</u>, <u>Screening for Appropriate Assessment – Ground Investigation Works</u> (RPS, Feb 2021) and having agreed with the conclusion of same, have determined that it can be excluded, on the basis of objective information, that the proposed Ground Investigation works for the Ballina Flood Relief Scheme, Mayo, individually or in combination with other plans or projects, will have a significant effect on a European Site.

Yours Sincerely,

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