



# APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT

## Decision Statement

### **Variation No. 3 (Vacant Sites) of the City Development Plan 2015 - 2021**

**Cork City Council, as Planning Authority for the City of Cork, hereby publishes its decision not to undertake an Appropriate Assessment for the proposed 'Variation No. 3 Vacant Sites' of the City Development Plan 2015 - 2021'**

*(in accordance with Section 13(6)(a)(aa) and Section 177U(5) of the Planning & Development Acts 2000 - 2015)*

The Planning and Development Acts 2000 - 2015 requires Appropriate Assessments in the case of Variations of the City Development Plan.

The reason for this decision is set out below

Having completed a screening, Cork City Council has determined that an Appropriate Assessment is not necessary for the proposed Variation as it is considered that

There is no potential for significant effects on Natura 2000 sites/ networks.

This decision **CEO/5736/16** has been taken having regard to the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and the Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland Guidance for Planning Authorities 2009, Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government. Cork City Council consulted the Environmental Authorities (in this case the Department of Arts, Heritage and Gaeltacht) as part of the 'screening' process and received no adverse comment regarding the environmental implications of the proposed plan.

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