

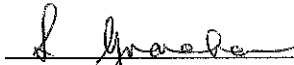
## Mayo County Council

### **Determination on the need for Strategic Environmental Assessment of the Draft Claremorris Local Area Plan 2012-2018 in accordance with the Planning & Development (SEA) Regulations 2004 (as amended)**

Pursuant to the provisions of Article 14A of the Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations 2004 (as amended) the Planning Authority carried out a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening for the draft Claremorris Local Area Plan 2012-2018. The resulting SEA Screening Report concluded that it was the opinion of the Planning Authority that the Draft LAP would not likely to have any significant adverse impacts on the environment.

Having complied with the requirements as set out in the Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations 2004 (as amended), Mayo County Council, having regard to the responses received from the prescribed environmental authorities, has determined that the Draft Claremorris Local Area Plan 2012-2018 will not require a Strategic Environmental Assessment, or the preparation of an Environmental Report for the following reason:

- the primary objective of the Claremorris LAP is to ensure the proper planning and sustainable development of the plan area by regulating development through strategic environmental measures, land use zoning and development objectives. In addition, the population threshold will not reach that to which a mandatory SEA would be required. As a result, the implementation of the LAP is unlikely to give rise to any significant environmental effects.

  
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