



MAYO COUNTY COUNCIL

Proposed Variation No. 4 of Westport Town & Environs Development Plan 2010-2016

Strategic Environmental Assessment Determination.

In accordance with Article 13K (4) of the Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations, 2004 (as amended), it is determined that the Proposed Variation No. 4 of Westport Town & Environs Development Plan 2010-2016 is not likely to have significant effects on the environment.

This determination has been made taking account of relevant criteria set out in Schedule 2A of S.I. No. 436 of 2004 (as amended) and the submissions received from the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs (DAHRRGA) in response to a notice under Article 13K (3) of the Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations 2004 (as amended in 2011).

The *SEA Screening Report on the Proposed Variation 4 of Westport Town & Environs Development Plan 2010-2016* concluded that, as a consequence of the Proposed Variation No. 4 of Westport Town & Environs Development Plan 2010-2016, significant effects on the environment are not likely as the Proposed Variation No. 4 of the Plan was initiated to address the incorporation of the provisions of the Urban Regeneration & Housing Act 2015 regarding the vacant site levy and renewal & regeneration into the development plan.

In assessing the effects on the environment as a consequence of the Proposed Variation 4 of Westport Town & Environs Development Plan 2010-2016, it was concluded that positive effects on the environment are deemed likely since the constituent parts of the Proposed Variation No. 4 are legislative measures to give effect to a sustainable urban form as envisaged by the development plan itself therefore the risks to the environment and to human health will be the same as the adopted plan. Therefore, a Strategic Environmental Assessment is not required as no significant effects on the environment are deemed likely.

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J. Grehan

Director of Service Planning, Economic
& Community Development

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