

**Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)
Screening Determination under:**

Under Article 7 (13K) of the Planning and Development (SEA) Regulations 2004 (SI No. 436 of 2004) as amended by the Planning and Development (SEA) (Amendment) Regulations 2011 (SI No. 201 of 2011)

for:

**Proposed Variation 1 (a) to the
Carlow County Development Plan 2015-2021**

A Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening determination has been made by Carlow County Council regarding the Proposed Variation 1(a) to the Carlow County Development Plan 2015-2021.

Article 7 (13K) of the Planning and Development (SEA) Regulations 2004 (SI No. 436 of 2004) (as amended), requires, inter alia, a determination to be made as to whether the Proposed Variation warrants the undertaking of SEA.

Such a determination takes into account relevant criteria set out in Schedule 2A 'Criteria for determining whether a plan is likely to have significant effects on the environment' of the SEA Regulations, as amended.

The potential effects arising from the Proposed Variation 1(a) are either present already (beneficial) and will be further contributed towards or will be mitigated by provisions already in force so as not to be significant (adverse). Taking this and other information included within the SEA Screening Report into account, it has been determined that implementation of the Proposed Variation would not be likely to result in significant environmental effects. Consequently, full SEA is not required.

An SEA Screening Report has been prepared which accompanies and has informed this Determination.

Signed 21/5/2017
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