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DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL

Record of Executive Business

Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) – Part XAB

Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) – Part 8

Proposed public realm improvement works at Cathal Brugha Street and Findlater Place, Dublin 1

Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening Determination

Pursuant to the requirements of the above, Dublin City Council is proposing public realm improvement works at Cathal Brugha Street and Findlater Place, Dublin 1 on a site area of c. 0.28 ha.

Having regard to Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive and Part XAB of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), the guidance contained in the document entitled “*Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland Guidance for Planning Authorities*” (published by the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government in 2009) and following an examination of the objective information provided in the Screening for Appropriate Assessment report (the Screening Report), Dublin City Council, as the Competent Authority, determines that the proposed public realm improvement works, individually or in combination with other plans and projects, does not have the potential to give rise to likely significant effects on European sites, their conservation objectives or integrity, and therefore does not require an Appropriate Assessment.

Key points in the determination – The proposed project is not located within or adjacent to any European sites and as such there will be no direct effects on any European sites as a result of the project. The project site is sufficiently remote so as not to cause any disturbance to any qualifying interest species during the construction phase of the proposed project. The project site does not have habitats suitable for accommodating any qualifying interest species associated with any European site. As such the proposed project will not result in any effects to qualifying interest species.

Through an assessment of the pathways for effects and an evaluation of the project characteristics, taking account of the processes involved and the distance of separation from European sites, it has been evaluated that there are no likely significant adverse effects on the qualifying interests, special conservation interest or the conservation objectives of any designated European site as a result of the proposed development.

It is therefore highly improbable that a project of this nature and scale will have any measurable impact on the qualifying interests of these Natura 2000 sites.

Therefore a Stage 2: Appropriate Assessment will not be required to inform the project appraisal either alone or in combination with other plans or projects, with respect to any Natura 2000 sites and their Conservation Objectives.



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