

7 ADDENDUM

7.1 SCREENING OF MATERIAL AMENDMENTS FOR APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT

Following consideration of the Draft Plan the members of the Planning Authority amended the Draft Plan. A number of these amendments were deemed to be material alterations and so went on public display for a four week period. A Chief Executive's Report was prepared in relation to these amendments. The Chief Executives Report recommended whether a proposed amendment should be accepted or rejected by the elected members. This addendum comprises a screening of the proposed amendments which were finally made by the Elected Members for Appropriate Assessment under the EU Habitats Directive.

7.2 DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

The *Proposed Amendments Chief Executive's Report on Submissions Received* (January 2016) forms part of the statutory procedure for the preparation of a County Development Plan, as required by Section 12(8) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended). The Chief Executives Report recommended that amendments be either rejected or accepted.

Of direct relevance to the mitigation set out in **Section 5.5.3** of the NIR, the Chief Executive's recommendations include the reinstatement of SLO No. 126 within Section 9: Specific Local Objectives, to read as follows: *To refuse planning permission for any new developments which include on-site wastewater treatment facilities within this catchment, until the groundwater issues in the area are resolved or ameliorated.* It was recommended to amend Proposed Mapping Change No. 57 by reinstating the newly amended boundary of SLO No. 126 on Maps 10, 13 and 14. It was also recommended to reinstate Policy EI23: Rathmichael Ground and Surface Water Protection to read as follows: *"Policy EI23: Rathmichael Ground and Surface Water Protection. It is Council policy to refuse planning permission for any new developments which include an on-site wastewater treatment facility within the Rathmichael area until the groundwater issues in the area are resolved or ameliorated* (See SLO No. 126 Maps 10, 13 and 14). This recommendation was accepted by the Elected Members.

Also of direct relevance to the mitigation set out in **Section 5.5.3** of the NIR, the Chief Executive recommended an amendment to Section 2.2.10 Policy ST25: Roads, as follows: *Attach an asterisk demarcating the following caveat to Table 2.2.6 Long Term Road Objectives, and specifically, the —Dublin Eastern Bypass (as identified in the Dublin Eastern Bypass Corridor Protection Study, NRA 2011) —Should the proposals for the Dublin Eastern Bypass be progressed at some point in the longer term, a full assessment of the potential ecological impacts associated with the proposals will be required to be carried out by the TII, to include the appropriate research and survey work necessary in order to inform a robust Environmental Impact Assessment and Appropriate Assessment of the potential impacts associated with the proposed works.* This recommendation was accepted by the Elected Members.

Other amendments were proposed to text in the Strategic Overview, Sustainable Community Strategy, Green County Strategy, Physical Infrastructure Strategy, Principles of Development, Specific Local Objectives, and Appendices; changes were also proposed to Plan mapping.

7.3 ASSESSMENT OF LIKELY SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS

The likely significant impacts that will arise from the amendments to the draft Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development Plan 2016-2022 alone and in combination with other plans and programmes have been considered with regards to the integrity of the Natura 2000 network. The proposed amendments will not result in any significant negative impacts upon the Natura 2000 network.

7.4 CONCLUSION

The likely direct and indirect impacts that will arise from the draft Dún Laoghaire- Rathdown County Development Plan 2016-2022, the proposed amendments and the Managers Report in respect of the proposed amendments, have been examined in the context of a number of factors that could potentially affect the integrity and conservation objectives of the Natura 2000 network, alone and in combination with other plans and programmes. The proposed amendments incorporate all of the mitigation recommendations set out in **Section 5.5.3** of the NIR in relation to SLO126, Policy E123, mapping change 57 on maps 10, 13 and 14; and Policy ST25. These changes have been accepted and incorporated into the Plan, therefore, the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Development Plan 2016-2022 is deemed not to have a significant adverse effect upon the integrity of European Sites, in view of their conservation objectives.

