



Cork City Council  
Comhairle Cathrach Chorcaí

## STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

### Decision Statement

#### **Variation No. 11 (Mahon Local Area Plan) of the Cork City Development Plan 2009-2015**

**Cork City Council, as Planning Authority for the City of Cork, hereby publishes its decision not to undertake a Strategic Environmental Assessment for the proposed 'Variation no. 11 – Mahon Local Area Plan of the City Development Plan 2009 - 2015' (in accordance with SI No. 201 of 2011)**

The *Planning and Development Regulations 2001 - 2012* require Strategic Environmental Assessments in the case of Variations of the City Development Plan where they are likely to give rise to significant environmental effects.

The reason for this decision is set out below.

Having completed a screening, Cork City Council has determined that a Strategic Environmental Assessment is not necessary for the proposed 'Variation No. 11' as it is considered that the implementation of the variation would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment. The variation is considered to have a neutral impact on the environment. This assessment is informed by the SEA process carried out in relation to the Mahon Local Area Plan process.

This decision **MO.4581/13** was taken having regard to the *EU Strategic Environmental Assessment Directive (2001/42/EC)* and the *Guidelines for Regional Authorities and Planning Authorities* (November 2004) from the Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government.

Cork City Council consulted the relevant Environmental Authorities and two submissions were received in relation to the SEA Screening Statement from the Environmental Protection Agency and the Minister for Communications, Energy and Natural Resources. The City Council received no adverse comment regarding the environmental implications of the proposed plan.

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