



**Comhairle Contae
Dhún na nGall
Donegal County Council**

*Planning and Development Act 2000 (As Amended);
Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations, 2004; and
Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) (Amendment) Regulations, 2011*

**COUNTY DONEGAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2018-2024,
ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT, AND DETERMINATION IN RELATION TO
THE NEED FOR AN APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 12(12) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) [the Act] and Article 13(I) of the Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations, 2004 (as amended) [the Regulations] that:

1. The above named Council made the County Donegal Development Plan 2018-2024 on the 9th day of May 2018.
2. The County Donegal Development Plan, 2018-2024 is the first consolidated Plan for the entire functional area of Donegal County Council, including the former Town Council areas of Letterkenny, Buncrana and Bundoran. In this regard, the new County Donegal Development Plan, 2018-2024 supersedes not just the County Donegal Development Plan, 2012-2018 (As Varied) but also the following documents:
 - ~ Letterkenny and Environs Development Plan 2009-2015 (As Varied);
 - ~ Buncrana and Environs Development Plan 2014-2020; and
 - ~ Bundoran and Environs Development Plan 2009-2015 (As Varied)
3. A statement (the Environmental Statement) has since been prepared summarising –
 - (a) how environmental considerations have been integrated into the Plan;
 - (b) how the following were taken into account during the preparation of the plan,
 - (i) the environmental report prepared pursuant to Article 13C of the Regulations,
 - (ii) submissions and observations made to the Planning Authority in response to the notices given under Section 12(1) and (7) of the Act, and
 - (iii) any consultations under Article 13F, of the Regulations;
 - (c) the reasons for choosing the Plan, as adopted, in the light of the other reasonable alternatives dealt with; and
 - (d) the measures decided upon to monitor, in accordance with Article 13J of the Regulations, the significant environmental effects of implementation of the Plan.
4. The Council's Determination under Article 6.3 of the Habitats Directive as to whether or not the Draft Plan would adversely affect the integrity of a European site In accordance with Section 177V(1) and (6) is also available for inspection.
5. The County Donegal Development Plan 2018-2024 and Environmental Statement referred to at 2 and 3 above, and the Article 6.3 Determination referred to at 4 above, are available for inspection online at www.donegalcoco.ie

Alternatively copies are available for inspection during normal office hours at the following locations:

- The Planning Office, Donegal County Council, County House, Lifford.
- Letterkenny Public Services Centre, Neil T. Blaney Road, Letterkenny.
- Milford Public Services Centre, Main St., Milford.
- Dungloe Public Services Centre, Gweedore Road, Dungloe.
- Carndonagh Public Services Centre, Malin Road, Carndonagh.
- Donegal Public Services Centre, Drumlunagher, Donegal Town and
- The Council's Library facilities.

6. Arrangements for purchasing the Plan for a fee of €35 may be made by contacting the Council's Central Planning Unit Tel. 07491 53900.

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