## Chief Executive's Order No. 2022/P/H/1721

Preparation of a Draft Letterkenny Plan and Local Transport Plan 2022-2028.

'Determination' of whether or not the proposed Draft Plan would be likely to have significant effects on the environment, and on the consequent need for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) inclusive of the preparation of an Environmental Report, in accordance with Article 14B of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 (As Amended).

## Submitted:

Report and recommendation entitled 'Screening Report of Proposed Draft Letterkenny Plan and Local Transport Plan to determine if a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is required'.

The Report and recommendation refer to Article 14B of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 (as amended) wherein it is required that where the population of the area to be covered by a local area plan is 5,000 persons or more, then the planning authority, prior to giving notice under section 20(3) of the Act, **shall** prepare an environmental report of the likely significant effects on the environment of implementing the local area plan. As the total population of the area to be covered by the local area plan is greater than 5,000 persons, the report recommends, pursuant to the aforementioned Article 14B, that an environmental report must be prepared in respect of the Proposed Draft Plan.

## Endorsed by:

I hereby endorse the report inclusive of recommendation as referenced above.

Paul Christy,

Senior Executive Planner, Central Planning Unit,

Directorate of Community Development and

**Planning Services.** 

Order:

I hereby Order that, with regard to the Proposed Draft Letterkenny Plan and Local Transport Plan the Planning Authority:

- 1) Determines, in accordance with Article 14B of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (As Amended), that the abovementioned Proposed Draft Plan would be likely to have significant effects on the environment and that Strategic Environmental Assessment is required in respect of said Proposed Draft Plan.
- 2) Makes copies of this Determination in respect of Strategic Environmental Assessment available for public inspection at the offices of the Authority during office hours and on the website of the Authority, as soon as practicable after the making of this Determination.
- 3) Proceeds with Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA), inclusive of the preparation of an Environmental Report as required by Article 14B of said regulations.

Liam Ward,

Director of Services,

Community Development and Planning Services.

Dated this  $29^{tH}$  day of June 2022