

# **Draft Seven Strategic Towns Local Area Plan 2018-2024**

- An Clochán Liath (Dungloe)
- Ballybofey-Stranorlar
- Ballyshannon
- Bridgend
- Carndonagh
- Donegal Town
- Killybegs

## **Appropriate Assessment Natura Impact Report**

In Line with the requirements of Article 6 (3) of the EU Habitats Directive



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# 1 Introduction

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Donegal County Council is preparing the Draft Seven Strategic Towns Local Area Plan 2018-2024 (hereinafter referred to as the Draft LAP) for the towns of An Clochán Liath (Dungloe), Ballybofey-Stranorlar, Ballyshannon, Bridgend, Carndonagh, Donegal Town and Killybegs. The Draft LAP which is being prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000-2017 (P&D Acts) sets out an overall strategy for the proper planning and sustainable development of the seven towns in the context of the Draft County Donegal Development Plan 2018-2024 (the Draft CDP) and the Border Regional Authority's Regional Planning Guidelines 2010-2022 (RPGs).

The seven towns have been identified as Layer 2 'Strategic Towns' in the Draft CDP 2018-2024 due to their 'Special Economic Function', as well as other reasons for identification as set out in Table 1.1 . These towns are currently identified as Tier 2 'Strategic Support Towns' in the County Donegal Development Plan 2012-2018 (the existing Plan). The Draft CDP notes that towns with a special economic function play a critical role in driving growth and development in the County.

**Table 1.1: Reasons for Identification of the Seven Layer 2 'Strategic Towns', Performing 'Special Economic Functions'**

Town	Reasons for identification as a 'Strategic Town', Performing a 'Special Economic Function'
<b>An Clochán Liath (Dungloe)</b>	Tourism and the Wild Atlantic Way Irish Language Centre for delivery of Local Authority services
<b>Ballybofey-Stranorlar</b>	Development Centre focussing on the towns as a Centre of Excellence for Sport and Recreation Educational hub Proximity to Northern Ireland border and associated cross border context Extent of retail offering
<b>Ballyshannon</b>	Development Centre with a focus on cultural heritage and enterprise Heritage town with significant built heritage resources Tourism and Wild Atlantic Way Area of important archaeological heritage
<b>Bridgend</b>	Proximity to Northern Ireland border and associated cross border context
<b>Carndonagh</b>	Development Centre (in conjunction with Buncrana) with a focus on tourism Tourism and Wild Atlantic Way Centre for delivery of Local Authority services
<b>Donegal Town</b>	Development Centre with a focus on tourism Tourism and the Wild Atlantic Way Centre for delivery of Local Authority services
<b>Killybegs</b>	Development Centre with a focus on the establishment as an Innovation Hub for marine resources, including food, energy and ocean energy Marine-Port and fishing related industry Tourism and the Wild Atlantic Way Tourism associated with cruise liners Area of important archaeological heritage

It is the responsibility of the competent authority, Donegal County Council, to complete an Appropriate Assessment (AA) in respect of the Draft LAP to assess the likelihood of the Plan having significant affects on the integrity of the Natura 2000 network of European sites. This document is the Natura Impact Report (NIR) in support of a Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment of the Draft LAP to fulfil the requirements of Council Directive 92/43/EEC of 21 May 1992 on the conservation of natural habitats and of wild fauna and flora, hereinafter referred to as the Habitats Directive.

AA is an iterative process and helps to inform the policies and objectives of the Draft LAP. The AA process therefore requires integration of planning and requisite ecological and other expertise. This is being achieved in the preparation of the Draft LAP through the use of in-house planning, environmental and engineering teams supported by external ecological expertise at key stages in the process. Such an approach ensures efficient and early feedback in the formulation and drafting/re-drafting of objectives and policies to achieve optimal environmental protection and sustainability outcomes. It allows alternatives to be appraised early in the planning process, particularly in relation to the Natura 2000 network of sites.

## 2 Appropriate Assessment

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### 2.1 Habitats Directive and Appropriate Assessment

The Natura 2000 network of European sites is comprised of sites of highest biodiversity importance for rare and threatened habitats and species across the EU. Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) are selected for the conservation of habitats listed in Annex I of the Habitats Directive, and for species of animals (other than birds) and plants listed in Annex II. Special Protection Areas (SPAs) are selected for the conservation of birds listed in Annex I of the Birds Directive (Directive 2009/147/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 November 2009 on the conservation of wild birds (codified version of Council Directive 79/409/EEC as amended)) and other regularly occurring migratory birds and their habitats. The annexed habitats and species for which each site has been selected are the qualifying interests of the sites, and the conservation objectives of the site are based on these qualifying interests.

Crucially, the Habitats Directive requires that an Appropriate Assessment (AA) must be made of any plan or programme that is likely to have a significant effect on the conservation objectives of designated sites i.e. on SACs or SPAs, before any decision can be made to allow that plan or project to proceed. Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive states that:

*"Any plan or project not directly connected with or necessary to the management of the [Natura 2000] site but likely to have a significant effect thereon, either individually or in combination with other plans or projects, shall be subjected to an appropriate assessment of its implications for the site in view of the site's conservation objectives. In light of the conclusions of the assessment of the implications for the site and subject to the provisions of paragraph 4, the competent national authorities shall agree to the plan or project only after having ascertained that it will not adversely affect the integrity of the site concerned and, if appropriate, after having obtained the opinion of the general public."*

In the event that an assessment determines that there is a likelihood of an adverse affect, Article 6(4) makes provision for a plan or project to proceed under certain restricted circumstances. Article 6(4) states that:

*"If, in spite of a negative assessment of the implications for the site and in the absence of alternative solutions, a plan or project must nevertheless be carried out for imperative reasons of overriding public interest, including those of a social or economic nature, Member States shall take all compensatory measures necessary to ensure that the overall coherence of the Natura 2000 is protected. It shall inform the Commission of the compensatory measures adopted."*

*"Where the site concerned hosts a priority natural habitat type and/or a priority species the only considerations which may be raised are those relating to human health or public safety, to the beneficial consequences of primary importance for the environment or, further to an opinion from the Commission, to other imperative reasons of overriding public interest."*

The application of AA in Ireland, as required by the Habitats Directive, is primarily governed by the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 477 of 2011 as amended by S.I. No. 355 of 2015), and the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010 (Part XAB), as amended by the Environment (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2011.

A range of guidance on carrying out appropriate assessment, and interpretation of relevant legislation is available including *inter alia*:

- Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland - Guidance for Planning Authorities. Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government, 2009.
- Managing Natura 2000 Sites: The Provision of Article 6 of the Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC. European Commission, 2000.
- Assessment of Plans and Projects Significantly Affecting Natura 2000 Sites: Methodological Guidance on the Provisions of Article 6 (3) and (4) of the Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC. European Commission, 2002.
- Guidance Document on Article 6 (4) of the 'Habitats Directive' 92/43/EEC. Clarification of the Concepts of Alternative Solutions, Imperative Reasons of Overriding Public Interest, Compensatory Measures, Overall Coherence. Opinion of the European Commission. European Commission, 2007/2012.
- Nature and biodiversity cases: Ruling of the European Court of Justice. European Commission. 2006.
- *Habitats Directive and environmental assessment of plans and projects*. García Ureta, A. Journal for European Environmental and Planning Law 2, 84-96, 2007.
- Appropriate Assessment under Article 6 of the Habitats Directive: Guidance for Planning Authorities. Circular NPWS 1/10 & PSSP 2/10.
- Compliance Conditions in respect of Developments requiring (1) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA); or (2) having potential impacts on Natura 2000 sites. Circular letter PD 2/07, NPWS 1/07.
- *Compliance of Existing Land Use Plans with the EU Habitats Directive*. Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government (2011). Circular Letter PSSP 5/2011.

This Natura Impact Report (NIR) and the Appropriate Assessment process in general has been guided by, and has taken account of the documentation outlined above.

## 2.2 The Process of Appropriate Assessment

While there is no prescribed method for undertaking Appropriate Assessment (AA), or form or content for reporting, methodological guidance promotes a four-stage process to complete the AA. The requirements for individual stages are summarised in Table 2.1. An important aspect of the AA process is that the outcome at each successive stage determines whether a further stage in the process is required. Stages 1 and 2 relate to Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive and are concerned with the strict protection of sites; Stages 3 and 4 relate to Article 6(4) which is the procedure for allowing derogation from this strict protection in certain restricted circumstances. Ultimately the Plan may only be made if the AA process reaches completion and has ascertained beyond reasonable scientific doubt that it shall not adversely affect the integrity of a European site, or in the absence of alternative solutions, imperative reasons of overriding public interest (IROPI) can be established as required under Section 177W, Part XAB, Planning and Development Act 2000-2017 (P&D Acts). In the latter scenario compensatory measures are required to offset any damage to the Natura 2000 network.

**Table 2.1: Stages in the Process of Habitats Directive Appropriate Assessment**

<b>Stage</b>	<b>Task</b>
1	<p><b>Screening</b></p> <p>Screening is the process that addresses and records the reasoning and conclusions in relation to the first two tests of Article 6(3): i) whether a plan or project is directly connected to or necessary for the management of the site, and ii) whether a plan or project, alone or in combination with other plans and projects, is likely to have significant effects on a Natura 2000 site in view of its conservation objectives. If the effects are deemed to be significant, potentially significant, or uncertain, or if the screening process becomes overly complicated, then the process must proceed to Stage 2 (AA). Screening should be undertaken without the inclusion of mitigation, unless potential impacts clearly can be avoided through the modification or redesign of the plan or project, in which case the screening process is repeated on the altered plan. The greatest level of evidence and justification will be needed in circumstances when the process ends at screening stage on grounds of no impact.</p>
2	<p><b>Appropriate Assessment</b></p> <p>This stage considers whether the plan or project, alone or in combination with other projects or plans, will have adverse effects on the integrity of a Natura 2000 site, and includes any mitigation measures necessary to avoid, reduce or offset negative effects. The proponent of the plan or project will be required to submit a Natura Impact Report/Natura Impact Statement, i.e. the report of a targeted professional scientific examination of the plan or project and the relevant Natura 2000 sites, to identify and characterise any possible implications for the site in view of the site's conservation objectives, taking account of in combination effects. This should provide information to enable the competent authority to carry out the appropriate assessment. If the assessment is negative, i.e. adverse effects on the integrity of a site cannot be excluded, then the process must proceed to Stage 4, or the plan or project should be abandoned.</p>
3	<p><b>Alternative Solutions</b></p> <p>This stage examines any alternative solutions or options that could enable the plan or project to proceed without adverse effects on the integrity of a Natura 2000 site. The process must return to Stage 2 as alternatives will require appropriate assessment in order to proceed. Demonstrating that all reasonable alternatives have been considered and assessed, and that the least damaging option has been selected, is necessary to progress to Stage 4.</p>
4	<p><b>Imperative Reasons of Overriding Public Interest (IROPI)/Derogation</b></p> <p>Stage 4 is the main derogation process of Article 6(4) which examines whether there are imperative reasons of overriding public interest (IROPI) for allowing a plan or project that will have adverse effects on the integrity of a Natura 2000 site to proceed in cases where it has been established that no less damaging alternative solution exists.</p> <p>The extra protection measures for Annex I priority habitats come into effect when making the IROPI case. Compensatory measures must be proposed and assessed. The Commission must be informed of the compensatory measures. Compensatory measures must be practical, implementable, likely to succeed, proportionate and enforceable, and they must be approved by the Minister.</p>

## Stage 1 AA Screening of Draft LAP

Stage 1 Screening of the Draft LAP has been completed and the 'Final Screening Report for Appropriate Assessment of proposed Draft Tier 2 Local Area Plan' issued in August 2016. The Screening Report was circulated to relevant statutory authorities as part of regional, national and transboundary consultations. These included:

- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government
- Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine
- Department of Communications, Climate Change and Natural Resources
- Development Applications Unit, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs
- National Parks and Wildlife Service
- Leitrim and Sligo County Councils
- Strategic Planning Division, Department of the Environment, Northern Ireland
- Northern Ireland Environment Agency, Department of the Environment, Northern Ireland
- Fermanagh and Omagh District Council
- Derry City and Strabane District Council
- Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council

Screening of the Draft LAP has highlighted a significant number of protected species and habitats within the zone of influence of the Plan. This includes any Natura 2000 site, in situ and ex situ, within 15km from the nearest LAP boundary of each of the seven towns of An Clochán Liath (Dungloe), Ballybofey-Stranorlar, Ballyshannon, Bridgend, Carndonagh, Donegal Town and Killybegs (see Section 5.1 of this NIR for further details). Potentially significant affects of the Plan on Natura 2000 sites, either alone or in combination with other projects or plans, have been assessed in the context of the European sites' qualifying interests and possible effects on the integrity of the Natura network. In light of the information collated above, and exercising the precautionary principle, it cannot be concluded beyond reasonable scientific doubt on the basis of the screening assessment that there will be no significant affects on Natura 2000 sites within the zone of influence of the Plan. As such the Screening Report includes a 'Determination of the Need for Appropriate Assessment'.

It has therefore been concluded that the Draft LAP should proceed to Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment, including the preparation of this NIR.

## Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment of Draft LAP

Stage 2 Appropriate Assessment will run concurrently with the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of the Draft LAP in order that potential impacts can be re-examined throughout the plan making process as and when policies and objectives are drafted. The scope of the Stage 2 assessment has been informed by consultations with relevant statutory authorities and submissions received as documented in the 'Final Screening Report for Appropriate Assessment of proposed Draft Tier 2 Local Area Plan' issued in August 2016'. This NIR has taken account of all submissions received.

The following sections of the NIR set out the information required to support an appropriate assessment of the policies and objectives proposed in the Draft LAP, and determine potential significant affects on the integrity of the Natura 2000 network. Such information is based on the best available scientific data. However, due to the strategic nature of the Draft LAP, the potential for impact on Natura 2000 sites may be uncertain, and therefore throughout the assessment the precautionary principle is applied. The precautionary principle means, in essence, that action may be taken to protect against risks to human health and/or the environment, even in the absence of conclusive scientific evidence as to the existence, or extent, of those risks. Thus the onus is on the planning authority, as the proponent of the plan, to demonstrate beyond reasonable doubt that it will not give rise to significant adverse affects, and that any avoidance/mitigation measures will work.

The information presented below is set out in a structured fashion as suggested in Guidance for Planning Authorities. In summary, the sections that follow present:

- **Local Area Plan Profile** - a description of the geographic area to which the Plan applies.
- **Draft Local Area Plan** - Outline of the Draft LAP including scale, nature and location of development and environmental implications.

- **Natura 2000 Sites** - Identification of relevant Natura sites, their conservation objectives and threats to site integrity.
- **Appropriate Assessment** - A summary of impact assessment methodology and its application to the Draft LAP.
- **Cumulative and in Combination Effects** - Assessment of effects in the context of other regional or national plans or strategies.
- **Mitigation Measures** - An outline of the mitigation incorporated into the Draft LAP to prevent impacts on the Natura 2000 Network.



## 3 Draft Local Area Plan

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### 3.1 Background to the Draft Local Area Plan

The Draft Seven Strategic Towns Local Area Plan 2018-2024 (the Draft LAP) for the towns of An Clochán Liath (Dungloe), Ballybofey-Stranorlar, Ballyshannon, Bridgend, Carndonagh, Donegal Town and Killybegs has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended). The Draft LAP sets out an overall strategy for the proper planning and sustainable development of the seven towns in the context of the Draft County Donegal Development Plan 2018-2024 (the Draft CDP) and the Border Regional Authority's Regional Planning Guidelines 2010-2022 (RPGs). It is informed by Ministerial Guidelines issued pursuant to section 28 of the Planning and Development Act 2000-2017 (P&D Acts) together with EU requirements regarding Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Appropriate Assessment (AA).

An Clochán Liath (Dungloe), Ballybofey-Stranorlar, Ballyshannon, Bridgend, Carndonagh, Donegal Town and Killybegs have been identified as Layer 2 'Strategic Towns' in the Draft CDP due to their 'Special Economic Function', as well as other reasons for identification (see Table 1.1). These towns are currently identified as Tier 2 'Strategic Support Towns' in the County Donegal Development Plan 2012-2018 (the existing CDP). The Draft CDP notes that towns with a special economic function play a critical role in driving growth and development in the County.

Sections 18-20 of the P&D Acts provide that a Local Area Plan (LAP) may be prepared in respect of any area which a planning authority considers suitable, in particular for areas which require economic, physical and social renewal and for areas likely to be the subject of large-scale development within the lifetime of the Plan. It is a mandatory requirement for a planning authority to make a LAP for any town with a population in excess of 5,000. In addition a planning authority must indicate land use zoning objectives for any town or village within its functional area with a population between 1,500 and 5,000 and in indicating such objectives, the planning authority has the option to either prepare a LAP for the area, or include the objectives in the Development Plan.

The commitment to prepare a LAP for the seven towns and the programme for delivery is set out in the Core Strategy in Chapter 2 of Part A of the Draft CDP. It is also an objective of the Draft CDP to prepare a Local Area Plan for the Layer 2 'Strategic Towns' (see Objective CS-O-15, Chapter 2 of Part A of the Draft CDP).

### 3.2 Structure of the Draft Local Area Plan

The Draft LAP comprises a written statement with accompanying maps. The written statement shall take precedence over the maps should any discrepancy arise between them. The Draft CDP and the Draft LAP should be read in tandem when interpreting the specific policies and objectives for the seven strategic towns. Where conflicting policies and objectives arise between the Draft CDP and the Draft LAP, the policies and objectives of the Draft CDP shall take precedence. The general development management standards applicable to the LAP area are included in the Draft CDP; while policies and objectives that are specific to An Clochán Liath (Dungloe), Ballybofey-Stranorlar, Ballyshannon, Bridgend, Carndonagh, Donegal Town and Killybegs are included in the Draft LAP (Chapters 4-10 of the Draft LAP).



## 4 Local Area Plan Profile

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### 4.1 Introduction

County Donegal, covering an area of c. 484,559.33ha, is the largest county in Ulster, and the fourth largest county in Ireland. It is located on the north western seaboard and is bounded on the south-west, west and north by the Atlantic Ocean, with an extensive indented coastline (approximately 1,132km). Located in the Border Region, County Donegal shares 93% of its entire land boundary with Northern Ireland (counties Derry, Tyrone, Fermanagh) and the remaining 7% (or 9km stretch) is with County Leitrim at its most southerly point.

The County is predominantly rural in character with approximately 38% of the land in agricultural use, predominantly in the east of the County. Grass production and rough grazing for cattle and sheep are the main activities. Commercial forestry is also a significant land use in the County, and fishing is a significant employment sector. However with a peripheral location and a decline in traditional industries and services, Donegal is presented with many challenges as it looks to the future.

Donegal is nationally recognised for the beauty of its landscape and coastline. The County is dominated by a mountainous spine with a complex geology consisting predominantly of granite and quartzite peaks running north-east to south-west. These are comprised of the Derryveagh range to the north, within which Glenveagh National Park is situated, and the Blue Stacks, extending from Ballybofey west to Gleann Cholm Cille (Glencolmcille) in the south. This has resulted in spectacular scenery in coastal locations such as Slieve League with sea cliffs rising to over 600m.

The County also has a rich and distinctive cultural heritage. Twelve of Donegal's coastal islands were inhabited according to the 2016 census, and Donegal contains the second largest Gaeltacht in the country, with Gaeltacht areas distributed from Fanad Head on the north coast to Gleann Cholm Cille (Glencolmcille) in the south of the County. The Gaeltacht with its unique cultural, traditional and linguistic heritage occupies almost a third of the County.

In addition to their cultural heritage, the islands also constitute a major natural resource, home to many protected bird and plant species. Oileán Thoraí (Tory Island), Inishbofin and Inishmeane are strongholds of the corncrake and Árainn Mhór (Aranmore) is home to Hart's saxifrage, a subspecies unique to Ireland.

The western seaboard also supports a diversity of other habitats including extensive dune systems, machair, dune scrub, salt marshes and wetlands. Lough Swilly is of major ornithological importance for wintering waterbirds with 18 species regularly occurring in nationally important numbers and three species in internationally important numbers.

The County has many pristine rivers and lakes. These oligotrophic surface waters are home to rare and threatened animals including the freshwater pearl mussel, arctic charr, red throated diver and otter, and to rare aquatic plants such as the slender naiad.

Blanket bog is dominant over much of the higher land in the County. In addition to its distinctive flora, it provides habitat for red deer, Irish hare, red grouse, golden plover, merlin, peregrine falcon and more recently the golden eagle.

The Draft Seven Strategic Towns Local Area Plan 2018-2024 includes the towns of An Clochán Liath (Dungloe), Ballybofey-Stranorlar, Ballyshannon, Bridgend, Carndonagh, Donegal Town and Killybegs. Figure 4.1 shows the geographical location of each of the towns within the County.

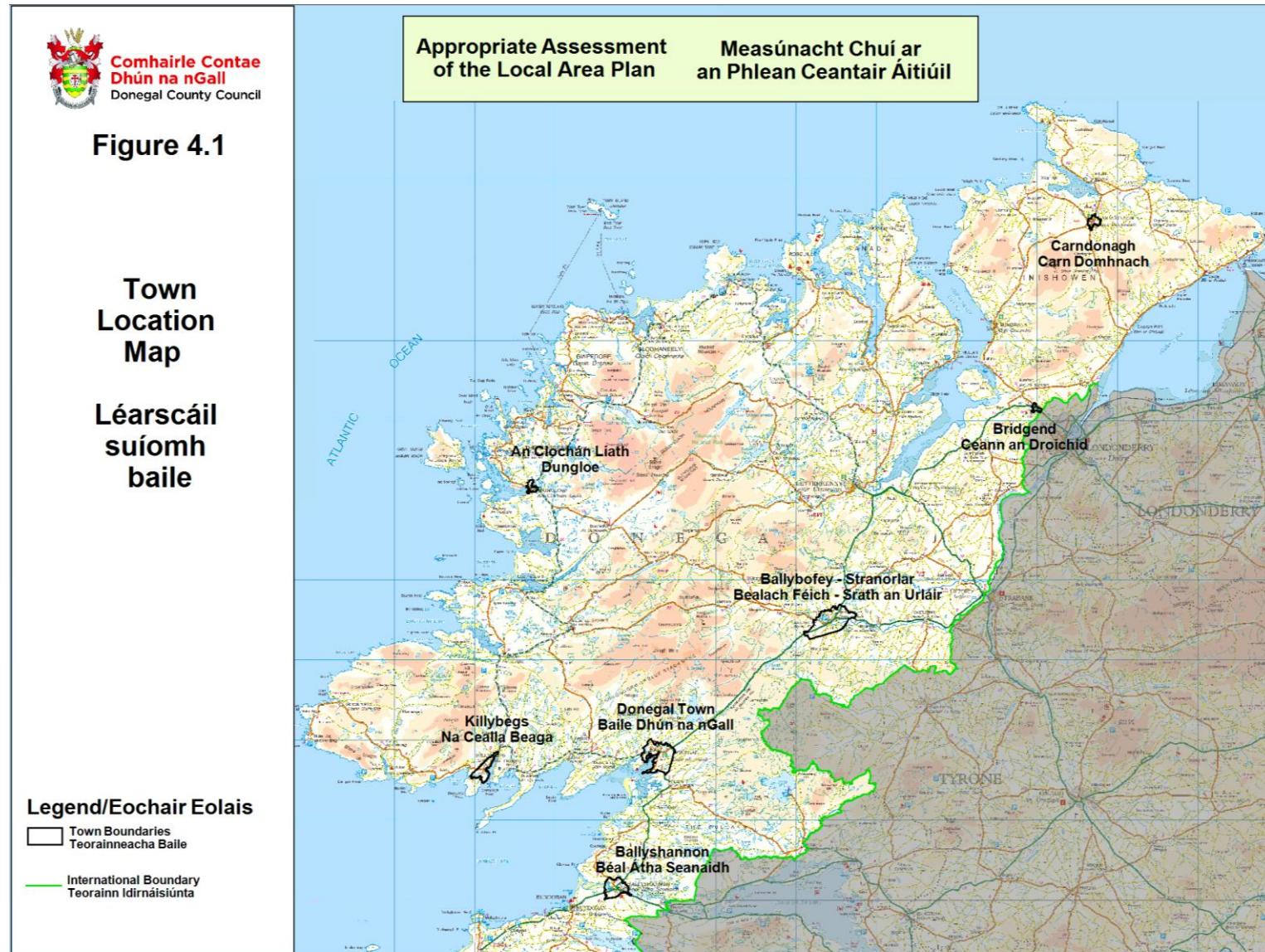
**Figure 4.1: Town Location Map**

Table 4.1 lists the number of sites with various environmental designations within the Draft LAP including those within the town boundaries and their associated buffer zones located in Co. Donegal (Note: this list is not exhaustive). While the total number of designations indicates the resource value and high quality of the environment within the vicinity of each of the towns this AA is only concerned with the Natura 2000 designations i.e. SACs and SPAs as listed in Table 4.2.

**Table 4.1: Environmental Designations within the Draft LAP Located in Co. Donegal**

Designation	Number of Sites Within the Draft LAP Located in Co. Donegal
Natural Heritage Areas (NHAs)	13
Proposed NHAs	45
National Park	1
Ramsar Sites	3
Nature Reserves (officially designated)	4
Irish Geological Heritage Sites	75

**Table 4.2: Natura 2000 Sites within the Draft LAP**

Designation	Number of Sites Within the Draft LAP
<b>Co. Donegal</b>	
Special Areas of Conservation (SACs)	38
Special Protection Areas (SPAs)	20
<b>Leitrim</b>	
Special Areas of Conservation (SACs)	3
Special Protection Areas (SPAs)	1
<b>Sligo</b>	
Special Areas of Conservation (SACs)	2
Special Protection Areas (SPAs)	1
<b>Northern Ireland</b>	
Special Areas of Conservation (SACs)	7
Special Protection Areas (SPAs)	3

## 4.2 An Clochán Liath (Dungloe)

An Clochán Liath (Dungloe) is a Gaeltacht town strategically located in the west of the County along the N56 National Secondary Route approximately 51km west of Letterkenny, 26km north of Glenties and 45km south-west of Dunfanaghy (see Figure 4.1). It is the main town in The Rosses (a large part of which is in the Gaeltacht) and is the largest town in the Donegal Gaeltacht. The town has a population of 1,164 persons as recorded in the 2016 Census (CSO), a minor decrease of -1.6% (19 persons) since 2011.

The town of An Clochán Liath (Dungloe), which can be translated as ‘the grey stepping-stone’, is intersected by Dungloe River and bridge serving the town which was constructed in 1762. The town has a traditional linear form, with a strong streetscape and a clear core. The layout of An Clochán Liath (Dungloe) is characterised by the main street which runs in a north-south direction but which backs onto and is parallel to the Atlantic waterfront view. The other primary streets run perpendicular to this

in an east-west direction, which link the town to the surrounding areas and beyond. Main Street remains the commercial centre of An Clochán Liath (Dungloe), with other retail centres east of this commercial core and within walking distance of each other.

While there are no Natura 2000 sites (SACs or SPAs) within the LAP town boundary for An Clochán Liath (Dungloe) there are eight SACs and six SPAs located within a 15km radius of the town boundary, all of which are located within the zone of influence of the Plan (see Section 5.2 for details).

## 4.3 Ballybofey- Stranorlar

The twin towns of Ballybofey-Stranorlar collectively comprise the third largest urban centre in Donegal and are strategically located within a strong rural hinterland in the heart of the Finn Valley in the east of the County (see Figure 4.1). The towns are located at a key point along the N15/N13 National Primary Routes (part of the wider Atlantic Corridor) approximately 21km south of Letterkenny and 49km south-west of Derry in Northern Ireland. The towns are also served by the R252 Regional Road from Ballybofey to Glenties. The two towns are connected by a bridge over the River Finn which separates the towns; Ballybofey is located generally to the south of the river and Stranorlar is located generally to the north of the river. Ballybofey-Stranorlar has a combined population of 4,852 persons as recorded in the 2016 Census (CSO), which is the same figure recorded in the previous Census in 2011.

Ballybofey-Stranorlar acts as the key retail, commercial, social and recreational centre for the Finn Valley and wider area. The town centre is predominantly arranged in a linear form along the main street of both towns. The towns contain a significant quantum of retail floor space, prominent sports facilities, and significant social and cultural venues including three primary and two secondary level schools. There is some residential development along, and in close proximity to, the main streets of Ballybofey-Stranorlar, however the majority of housing is located on the outskirts of both towns. In addition the towns benefit from key environmental assets such as the River Finn and its associated flood plain and the woodlands situated around Drumboe and Dunwiley.

There is one Natura 2000 site, the River Finn SAC, located within the Ballybofey-Stranorlar town boundary. In addition, there are a further three SACs located within a 15km radius of the town boundary, all of which are located within the zone of influence of the Plan (see Section 5.3 for details).

The River Finn SAC comprises most of the freshwater element of the River Finn and its tributaries, and also includes Lough Finn, where the river rises. The River Finn passes through a number of towns in the County including the towns of Ballybofey-Stranorlar. Agriculture, with particular emphasis on grazing, is the main land use in Ballybofey-Stranorlar in the vicinity of the river. The River Finn SAC includes several important habitats listed in Annex I of the EU Habitats Directive and supports a number of important species as listed in Annex II of the Directive, as well as examples of other important habitats. The SAC includes blanket bog which is considered a rare habitat type in Europe and if active (i.e. still supporting peat forming vegetation) receives priority status on Annex I of the EU Habitats Directive. The overall ecological and conservation value of the River Finn SAC is increased by the presence of populations of several rare or threatened birds, mammals, fish and plants and the Finn system is recognised as one of Ireland's premier salmon waters.

## 4.4 Ballyshannon

Ballyshannon is located along the north-west Atlantic coast in the south of the County, on the N15 North South Transport Corridor (part of the wider Atlantic Corridor) which links Sligo to Lifford. It is situated approximately 6km north-east of Bundoran, 22km south of Donegal Town, 44km north-east of Sligo and 45km west of Enniskillen adjacent to Counties Fermanagh and Leitrim. The

Bundoran/Ballyshannon by-pass runs to the south and east of the town. The town has a population of 2,299 persons as recorded in the 2016 Census (CSO), a minor decrease of -8.2% (204 persons) since 2011<sup>1</sup>.

The Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs has identified Ballyshannon as one of seven 'Historic Towns', within the County, for general protection. Furthermore, in 2000, Donegal County Council designated five 'Heritage Towns' including Ballyshannon. This designation reflects its historic background, built form and strong architectural character. Ballyshannon is one of the oldest towns in Ireland, having developed along the banks of the River Erne, with evidence of human settlement and ritual activity within the town and wider hinterlands, dating back to the Neolithic Period (4000-2500BC). The historic streetscape of Ballyshannon includes Main Street, Upper Main Street, Market Street, Castle Street including Chapel Street, College Street, Church Lane, Bishops Street and The Mall. Today the town centre remains the commercial and retail centre providing a wide variety of services and facilities concentrated around Main Street, Market Street and Castle Street. The two major tourist resorts of Bundoran and Rossnowlagh are located a few kilometres away with several quality hotels, golf courses, surfing, hiking and fishing amenities.

There are two Natura 2000 sites located within the Ballyshannon town boundary (Dunmuckrum Turloughs SAC and Donegal Bay SPA). In addition, there are a further thirteen SACs and three SPAs within a 15km radius of the town boundary, all of which are located within the zone of influence of the Plan (see Section 5.4 for details).

Dunmuckrum Turloughs SAC is located approximately 2km south-west of Ballyshannon town centre, alongside the bypass. 35% of the area of the SAC is located within the Plan boundary and 65% of it is located outside the Plan boundary immediately adjoining its western fringe. The land consists of a series of low-lying winter-flooded depressions set in an undulating landscape of limestone hills.

Dunmuckrum Turloughs is an important habitat listed under Annex I of the EU Habitats Directive and is of conservation importance as it represents the most northerly turlough known in the country.

Donegal Bay SPA is a very large, marine-dominated, site which extends from Doorin Point, to the west of Donegal Town, to Tullaghan Point in County Leitrim. The site includes the estuary of the River Erne, which flows through Ballyshannon and westwards to the sea into Donegal Bay SPA which is partly located within the Plan boundary. This sheltered estuary is partially enclosed by a large sand dune system at its mouth. Intertidal sand flats are the dominant estuarine habitat while the sand extends as a beach south to Bundoran. Donegal Bay is a site of high ornithological importance with special conservation interest for Wetland and Waterbirds; five of the regularly occurring species are listed on Annex I of the EU Birds Directive

## 4.5 Bridgend

The village of Bridgend is located at a strategic position in east Donegal, on the Inishowen peninsula, adjoining the border with Northern Ireland, on the N13 National Primary Route (the primary transport corridor within the North West City Region of Derry-Letterkenny) (see Figure 4.1). It has a population of 454 persons as recorded in the 2016 Census (CSO), a decrease of -8.7% (43 persons) since 2011.

Bridgend is located in an agricultural hinterland within the valley of the Skeoge River approximately 8km from Derry City Centre and 29.5km from Letterkenny Town Centre at the junction of the N13 and the R238 roads. The settlement broadly consists of a low density village centre sitting astride the N13 and along the R238, a number of residential estates and primary school located along the L2031 to the south-east, and a residential estate to the north. The northern end of the village is bisected by the

<sup>1</sup> Note: 80 legal towns were abolished under the Local Government Reform Act 2014. Census towns which previously combined legal towns and their environs, including Ballyshannon, have been newly defined using the standard census town criteria. For some towns, including Ballyshannon, the impact of this has been to lose area and population, compared with previous census figures.

Skeoge River which runs south-east to north-west. There are two significant relatively undeveloped backland areas immediately to the north-east and the south-east of the village centre.

There are no Natura 2000 sites (SACs or SPAs) within Bridgend town boundary however there are four SACs and three SPAs located within a 15km radius of the town boundary, all of which are located within the zone of influence of the Plan (see Section 5.5 for further details).

## 4.6 Carndonagh

The town of Carndonagh is situated approximately 3km south of Trawbreaga Bay on the Inishowen Peninsula in the north of the County, within the valleys of Glenagannon and Donagh Rivers (see Figure 4.1). It is located approximately 19.5km north-east of Buncrana, 33km north of Bridgend, 62km north-east of Letterkenny and 24km north of Muff which is adjacent to the border with Northern Ireland. The town is served by three Regional Roads, the R244 from Buncrana, the R240 from Quigley's Point and the R238 from Muff and Bridgend which extends from the N13 National Primary Route from Letterkenny. The R238 is a ring road around the Inishowen Peninsula, part of which is the main road from Derry to Buncrana while other sections of the road form part of the Wild Atlantic Way. Carndonagh is the second largest town in the peninsula after Buncrana. It has a population of 2,471 persons as recorded in the 2016 Census (CSO), a decrease of -2.5% (63 persons) since 2011.

The town's historic associations date from pre-Christian times and Carndonagh is noted for its magnificent St. Patrick's Cross, dating from the 7<sup>th</sup> century. Centrally located in north Inishowen, Carndonagh developed as a major market and service town for an extensive rural hinterland during the 19<sup>th</sup> Century. The town is laid out around a central square, or Diamond, and is dominated by its large and imposing Catholic Church that sits in an elevated position in the town centre. Carndonagh effectively radiates out from the Diamond Area along four thoroughfares; Bridge Street to the west, Malin Street to the north, Pound Street to the east and Chapel Street to the south. The Diamond area remains the commercial heart of the town, and the increasing density of development in and around this area over the years is evident when examining historical maps and photographs of the area.

There are no Natura 2000 sites (SACs or SPAs) within Carndonagh town boundary however there are two SACs and three SPAs located within a 15km radius of the town boundary, all of which are located within the zone of influence of the Plan (see Section 5.6 for further details). A large aquifer extends from the Northern part of the town to Trawbreaga Bay SPA, which is also designated shellfish water.

## 4.7 Donegal Town

Donegal Town is strategically located at a key point on the N15 North South Transport Corridor (part of the wider Atlantic Corridor) at the junction with the N56 National Secondary Route which serves the west of the County. It is located approximately 49km south-west of Letterkenny, 28km south-west of Ballybofey-Stranorlar, 28km east of Killybegs and 22km north of Ballyshannon. The town sits at the mouth of the River Eske and Donegal Bay and is overshadowed by the Blue Stack Mountains and the surrounding drumlin type landscape. It is the fifth largest town in Donegal and the principal urban centre in the south of the County. The town has a population of 2,618 persons as recorded in the 2016 Census (CSO), a slight increase of 0.4% (11 persons) since 2011.

The Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs has identified Donegal Town as one of seven 'Historic Towns', within the County, for general protection. There is archaeological evidence of settlements around the town dating to prehistoric times, including the remains of ringforts and other defensive earthworks. Until the 17<sup>th</sup> Century, Donegal Town was the capital of Tír Chonaill (Tyrconnell) a Gaelic kingdom in west Ulster run by the O'Donnell Dynasty for centuries. The town itself contains Donegal Castle, on the banks of the River Eske, and the remains of Donegal Abbey a Franciscan Abbey which dates back to the 15<sup>th</sup> century on the southern shore of the Bay. The current plan of the town, including an attractive town square known as The Diamond, was laid out in the 17<sup>th</sup> century. Donegal Town centre displays a strong built form and high quality streetscape centred on the

historical ‘diamond’ area. It acts as the key retail, commercial, social and recreational centre for the southern part of the County and in particular attracts a significant number of tourists on a seasonal basis.

There are three Natura 2000 Sites located within the Donegal Town boundary (Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC, and Donegal Bay SPA). In addition, there are a further eleven SACs and four SPAs within a 15km radius of the town boundary, all of which are located within the zone of influence of the Plan (see Section 5.7 for details).

Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC is located in the inner part of Donegal Bay, immediately to the south-west of Donegal Town. It contains the estuary of the River Eske which flows through Donegal Town. Most of the site consists of intertidal habitats, notably mud and sand flats, sea inlets and bays, tidal rivers, estuarine channels and sandy beaches with extensive beds of shellfish in parts of the Bay. The SAC includes several important habitats listed on Annex I of the EU Habitats Directive, an important seal colony and supports a number of important species as listed on Annex II of the Directive.

The Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC includes Lough Eske a large lowland oligotrophic lake which is located approximately 5km north-east of Donegal Town and the River Eske which flows through the town. The SAC includes several important habitats listed on Annex I of the EU Habitats Directive and supports a number of important species as listed on Annex II of the Directive including Atlantic Salmon and Freshwater Pearl Mussel.

Donegal Bay SPA is a very large, marine-dominated, site which extends from Doorin Point, to the west of Donegal Town, to Tullaghan Point in County Leitrim. The site includes the River Eske, which flows through Donegal Town and westwards to the sea into Donegal Bay SPA which is partly located within the Plan boundary. This sheltered estuary is partially enclosed by a large sand dune system at its mouth. Intertidal sand flats are the dominant estuarine habitat while the sand extends as a beach south to Bundoran. Donegal Bay is a site of high ornithological importance with special conservation interest for Wetland and Waterbirds; five of the regularly occurring species are listed on Annex I of the EU Birds Directive

## 4.8 Killybegs

Killybegs is a fishing town located in south-west Donegal. It is situated along the R263 Regional Road and just off the N56 National Secondary Route. It is located c. 27km west of Donegal Town and c. 26km east of Gleann Cholm Cille (Glencolmcille). The town has developed organically around a natural harbour and is framed by this harbour area to the east and by steeply rising lands to the west.

Having regard to its rich historical background the Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs has identified Killybegs as one of seven ‘Historic Towns’, within the County, for general protection. Christianity arrived in the region around the 4<sup>th</sup> Century with the arrival of St. Colmcille and the town has become associated with St. Catherine, a 4<sup>th</sup> Century martyr from Egypt. The medieval area of the town, which contains a Holy Well, St. Catherine’s Church and ‘Cat’s’ Castle and is, along with the town centre, an area of archaeological importance, shows the importance in which St. Catherine was held at that time. Killybegs was granted borough status by King James and became a plantation town in 1616. Aside from the 17th Century Church and a cross slab, most developments in the town stem from the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Centuries, yet this built form hides a much earlier settlement. The historic centre of Killybegs retains its original character and recent years have witnessed significant infrastructural and industrial investment, in the main supporting fishing and port activities.

There are no Natura 2000 sites (SACs or SPAs) within Killybegs town boundary however there are five SACs and four SPAs located within a 15km radius of the town boundary, all of which are located within the zone of influence of the Plan (see Section 5.8 for further details).



## 5 Relevant Natura 2000 Sites

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### 5.1 Zone of Influence of the Draft LAP

For the purposes of AA, any Natura 2000 site within or adjacent to the plan or project area, and any Natura 2000 site within the likely zone of impact of the plan or project are to be included in the assessment. A distance of 15km is currently recommended as a minimum for inclusion in the case of plans, but Natura 2000 sites that are more than 15km from the Plan must also be considered depending on the likely impacts of the plan or project, the sensitivities of the ecological receptors, and the potential for in combination effects. In considering relevant sites the precautionary principle must apply.

Datasets available on the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) website (<http://www.npws.ie>) and on the Joint Nature Conservation Committee/Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs website (<http://jncc.defra.gov.uk>) have been used to identify sites, and to collate site specific information.

All relevant Natura 2000 sites in-situ and ex-situ within the Local Area Plan (LAP) boundary for each of the seven towns and within a 15km buffer of each town boundary, or a wider zone of influence where potential impact is considered possible, are illustrated on Figures 5.2 to 5.8 and listed in Tables 5.1-5.7. Further information of the location, designation, qualifying interests, conservation objectives and threats to integrity are provided in Appendix A (Tables A1-A8).

There are a total of 75 Natura 2000 sites either within the LAP boundary for each of the seven towns or within a 15km buffer of each town boundary (58 in Donegal, 4 in Leitrim, 3 in Sligo and 10 in Northern Ireland). Figures 5.2 to 5.8 consist of individual maps for each of the seven towns which show the distribution of Natura 2000 sites relevant to each town as well as those Natura 2000 sites within a 15km buffer of each town.

A total of 50 of these Natura 2000 sites are SAC's (which are primarily designated for the protection of habitats) and 25 are SPA's (which are primarily designated for the protection of birds). Given the geographical location of the seven towns there is some overlap of the 15km buffer zones surrounding the LAP boundaries for the towns resulting in some Natura 2000 sites being located within the zone of influence for more than one town as illustrated on Figure 5.1.

Four of the seven towns, namely Ballybofey-Stranorlar, Ballyshannon, Bridgend and Donegal Town are located adjacent to Northern Ireland and as a result ten of the Natura 2000 sites are located within Northern Ireland. Furthermore Ballyshannon has Natura 2000 sites within its 15km buffer within Leitrim, Sligo and Northern Ireland.

### 5.2 An Clochán Liath (Dungloe)

There are a total of 14 Natura 2000 sites located within a 15km radius of the LAP town boundary for An Clochán Liath (Dungloe) as listed in Table 5.1 and illustrated on Figure 5.2. These Natura 2000 sites comprise eight SACs and six SPAs, all located within Co. Donegal.

**Table 5.1: List of Natura 2000 Sites within An Clochán Liath (Dungloe) and a 15km buffer**

Site Type	Site Code	Site Name	Located within the town	Located within a 15km radius of the town
<b>Co. Donegal</b>				
SAC	000111	Aran Island (Donegal) Cliffs	No	Yes
SAC	000140	Fawnbog/ Lough Nacung	No	Yes
SAC	000142	Gannivegil Bog	No	Yes
SAC	000197	West of Ardara/ Maas Road	No	Yes
SAC	001107	Coolvoy Bog	No	Yes
SAC	001141	Gweedore Bay & Islands	No	Yes
SAC	002047	Cloghernagore Bog & Glenveagh National Park	No	Yes
SAC	002283	Rutland Island & Sound	No	Yes
SPA	004039	Derryveagh & Glendowan Mountains	No	Yes
SPA	004116	Inishkeel	No	Yes
SPA	004121	Roaninish	No	Yes
SPA	004132	Illancrone & Inishkeeragh	No	Yes
SPA	004150	West Donegal Coast	No	Yes
SPA	004230	West Donegal Islands	No	Yes

### 5.3 Ballybofey- Stranorlar

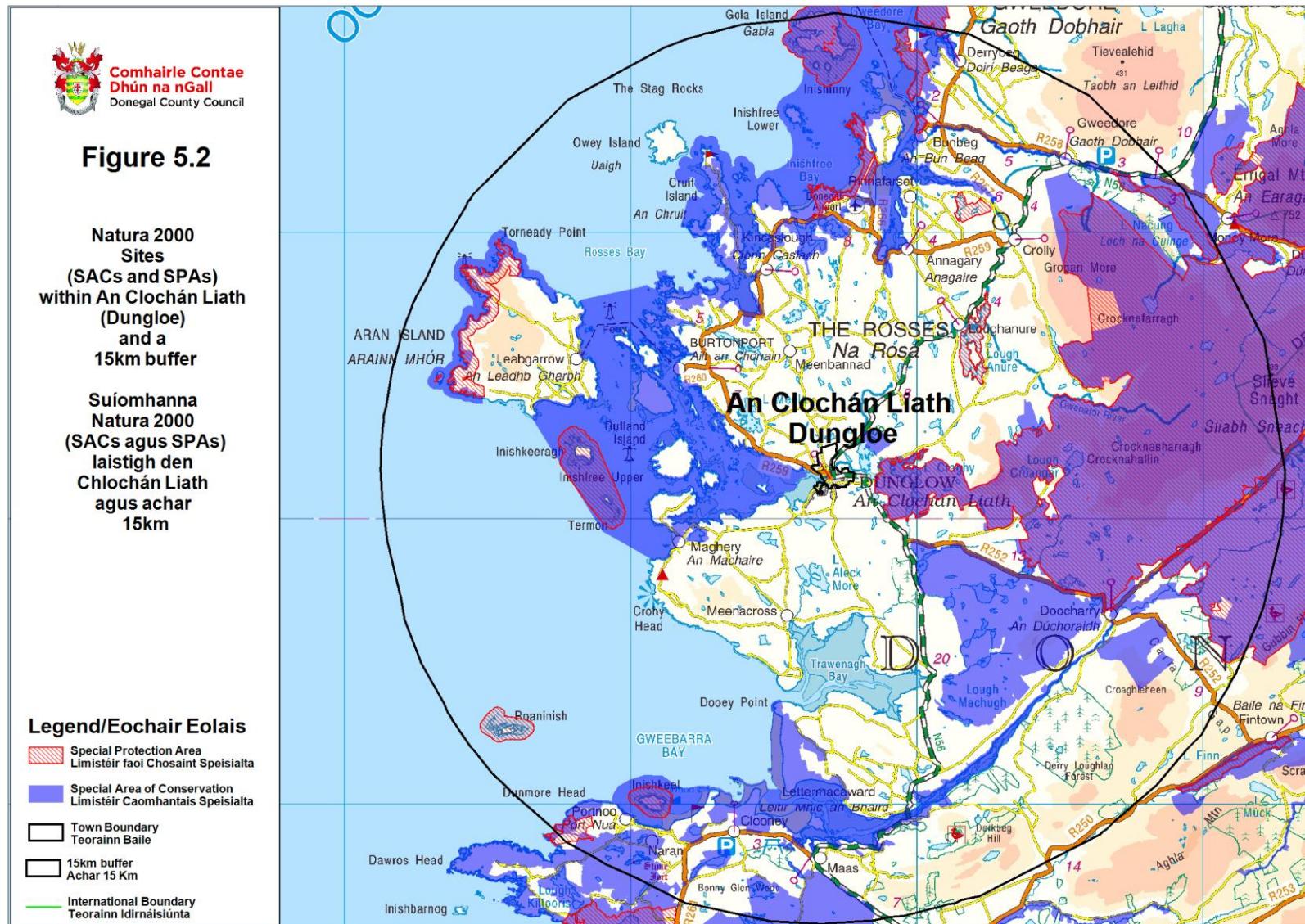
There are a total of 4 Natura 2000 sites located either within the Ballybofey-Stranorlar LAP town boundary or within a 15km radius of the towns as listed in Table 5.2 and illustrated on Figure 5.3. These Natura 2000 sites comprise two SACs located in Co. Donegal, one of which is located within the LAP town boundary for Ballybofey-Stranorlar and one is located within a 15km around the towns. A further two SACs are also located within the 15km buffer area within Northern Ireland.

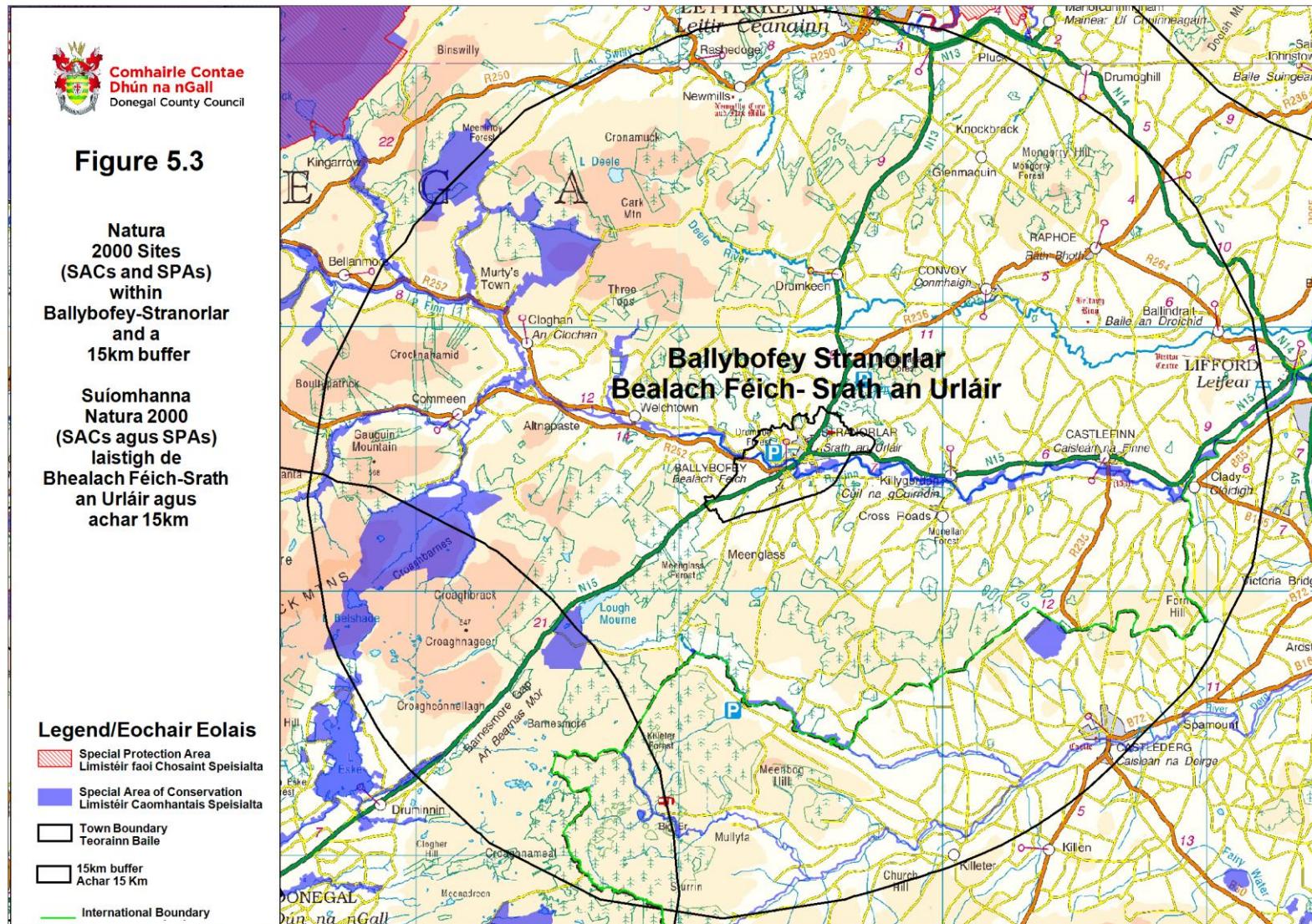
The 15km buffer for the Ballybofey-Stranorlar LAP and Donegal Town LAP overlap and as a result two of the SACs (Croaghonagh Bog and River Finn) are listed within the zone of influence of the LAP for both towns (see Figure 5.1).

**Table 5.2: List of Natura 2000 sites within Ballybofey- Stranorlar and a 15km buffer**

Site Type	Site Code	Site Name	Located within the town	Located within a 15km radius of the town
<b>Co. Donegal</b>				
SAC	000129	Croaghonagh Bog	No	Yes
SAC	002301	River Finn	Yes	Yes
<b>Northern Ireland</b>				
SAC	UK0030211	Moneygal Bog	No	Yes
SAC	UK0030320	River Foyle & Tributaries	No	Yes

**Figure 5.2:** Natura 2000 sites within An Clochán Liath (Dungloe) and a 15km buffer



**Figure 5.3:** Natura 2000 sites within Ballybofey-Stranorlar and a 15km buffer

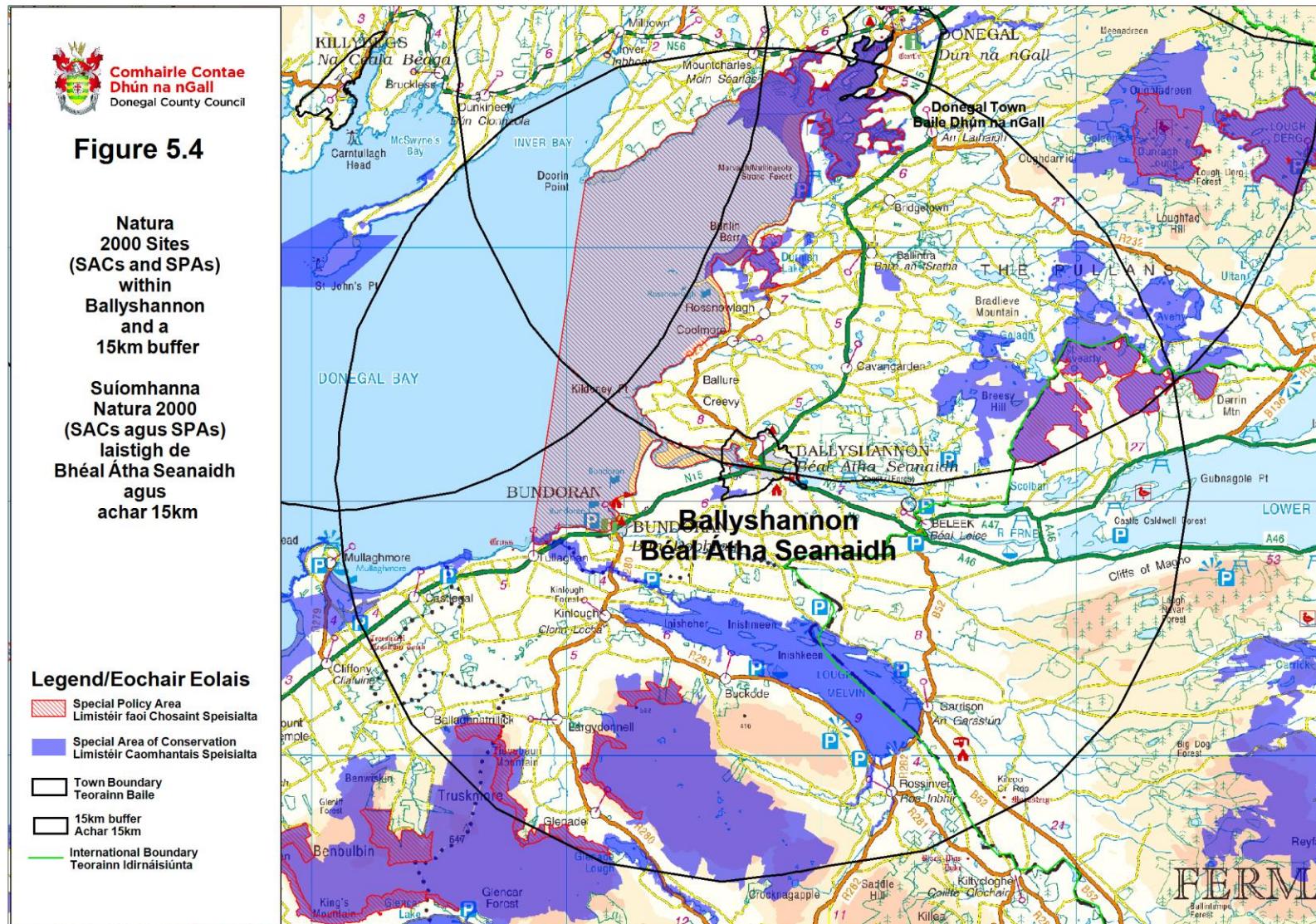
## 5.4 Ballyshannon

There are a total of 18 Natura 2000 sites located either within the Ballyshannon LAP boundary or within a 15km radius of the town as listed in Table 5.3 and illustrated on Figure 5.4. These Natura 2000 sites comprise seven SACs and one SPA located in Co. Donegal; one of the SACs and the SPA are located within the Ballyshannon town boundary and six of the SACs are located within a 15km radius of the town, all within in Co. Donegal. A further seven SACs and three SPAs are also located within the 15km buffer area outside the County as follows: three SACs and one SPA in Leitrim, two SACs and one SPA in Sligo and two SACs and one SPA located in Northern Ireland.

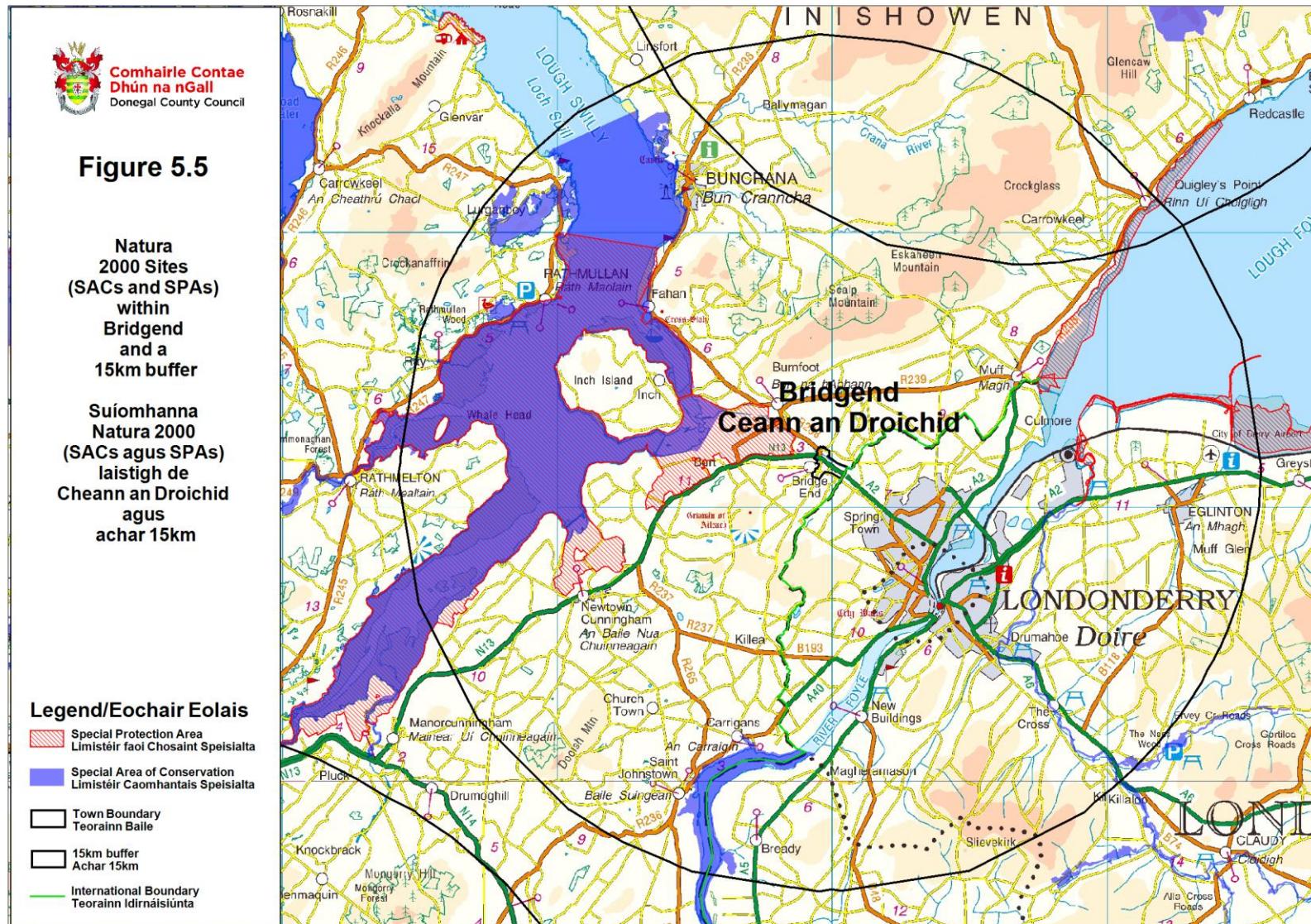
The 15km buffers around Ballyshannon, Donegal Town and Killybegs all overlap. As a result, six of the SACs (Ballintra, Donegal Bay (Murvagh), Durnesh Lough, Tamur Bay, Lough Golagh and Breesy Hill and Pettigo Plateau) and one of the SPAs (Pettigo Plateau) are listed within the zone of influence of the Plan for both Ballyshannon and Donegal Town. One of the SPAs (Donegal Bay) is listed within the zone of influence of the Plan for both Ballyshannon and Killybegs.

**Table 5.3: List of Natura 2000 sites within Ballyshannon and a 15km buffer**

Site Type	Site Code	Site Name	Located within the town	Located within a 15km radius of the town
<b>Co. Donegal</b>				
SAC	000115	Ballintra	No	Yes
SAC	000133	Donegal Bay (Murvagh)	No	Yes
SAC	000138	Durnesh Lough	No	Yes
SAC	000428	Lough Melvin	No	Yes
SAC	001992	Tamur Bay	No	Yes
SAC	002164	Lough Golagh and Breesy Hill	No	Yes
SAC	002303	Dunmuckrum Turloughs	Yes	Yes
SPA	004151	Donegal Bay	Yes	Yes
<b>Leitrim</b>				
SAC	000428	Lough Melvin	No	Yes
SAC	000623	Ben Bulben, Gleniff and Glenade Complex	No	Yes
SAC	001403	Aroo Mountain	No	Yes
SPA	004187	Sligo/Leitrim Uplands	No	Yes
<b>Sligo</b>				
SAC	000625	Bunduff Lough and Machair/ Trawalua/ Mullaghmore	No	Yes
SAC	000623	Ben Bulben, Gleniff and Glenade Complex	No	Yes
SPA	004187	Sligo/Leitrim Uplands	No	Yes
<b>Northern Ireland</b>				
SAC	UK0016607	Pettigo Plateau	No	Yes
SAC	UK0030047	Lough Melvin	No	Yes
SPA	UK9020051	Pettigo Plateau	No	Yes

**Figure 5.4:** Natura 2000 sites within Ballyshannon and a 15km buffer

**Figure 5.5:** Natura 2000 sites within Bridgend and a 15km buffer



## 5.5 Bridgend

There are a total of 7 Natura 2000 sites within a 15km radius of the Bridgend LAP boundary as listed in Table 5.4 and illustrated on Figure 5.5. These Natura 2000 sites comprise two SACs and two SPAs, all located within Co. Donegal. A further two SACs and one SPA are located within the zone of influence of the Plan within Northern Ireland.

The 15km buffers for Bridgend and Carndonagh overlap and as a result one of the SPAs (Lough Foyle) is located within the zone of influence of the LAP for both towns.

**Table 5.4: List of Natura 2000 sites within Bridgend and a 15km buffer**

Site Type	Site Code	Site Name	Located within the town	Located within a 15km radius of the town
<b>Co. Donegal</b>				
SAC	002287	Lough Swilly	No	Yes
SAC	002301	River Finn	No	Yes
SPA	004075	Lough Swilly	No	Yes
SPA	004087	Lough Foyle	No	Yes
<b>Northern Ireland</b>				
SAC	UK0030320	River Foyle & Tributaries	No	Yes
SAC	UK0030361	River Faughan & Tributaries	No	Yes
SPA	UK9020031	Lough Foyle	No	Yes

## 5.6 Carndonagh

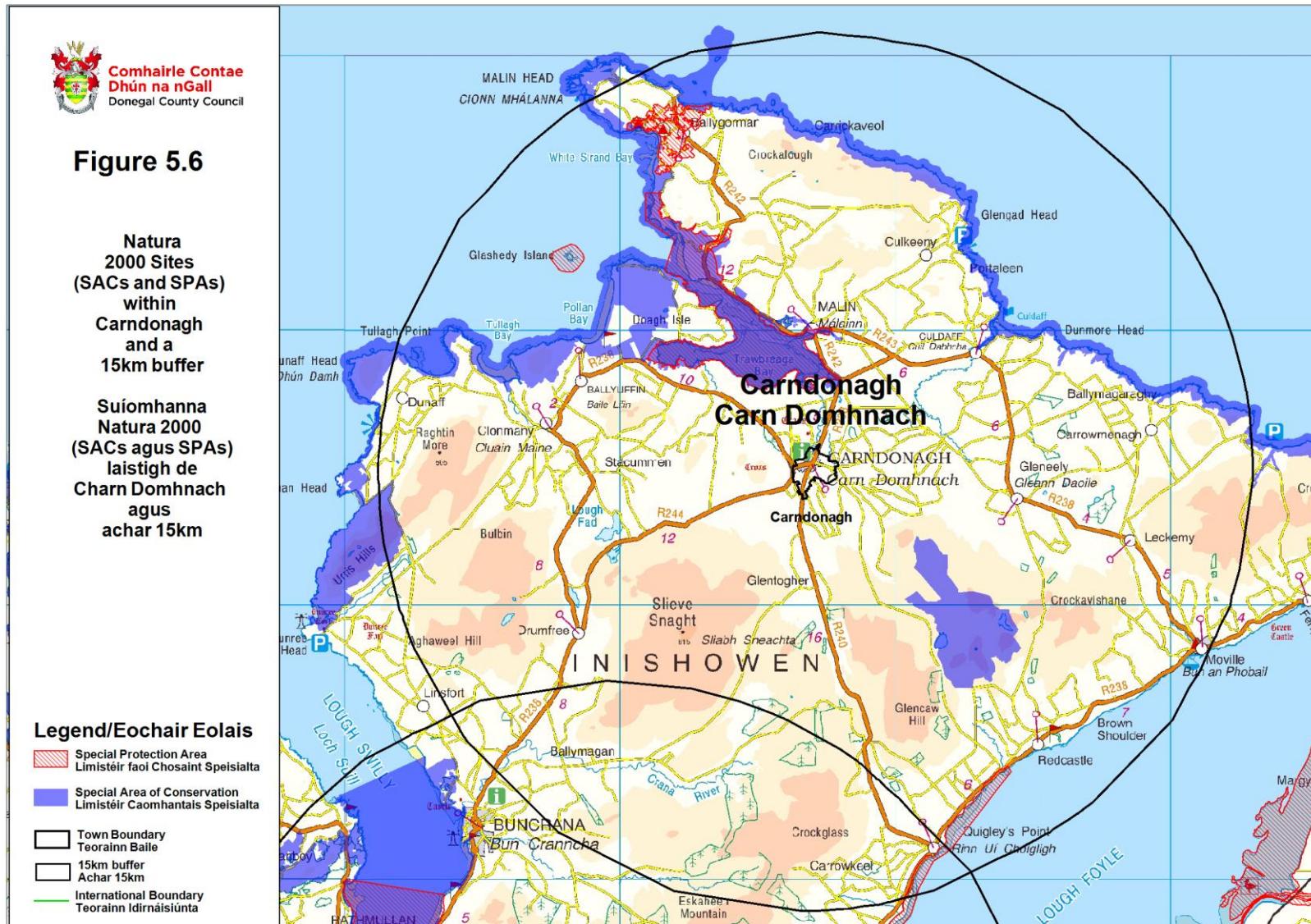
There are a total of 5 Natura 2000 sites within a 15km radius of the Carndonagh LAP boundary as listed in Table 5.5 and illustrated on Figure 5.6. These Natura 2000 sites comprise two SACs and two SPAs, all located within Co. Donegal.

The 15km buffers for Carndonagh and Bridgend overlap and as a result one of the SPAs (Lough Foyle) is located within the zone of influence of both towns.

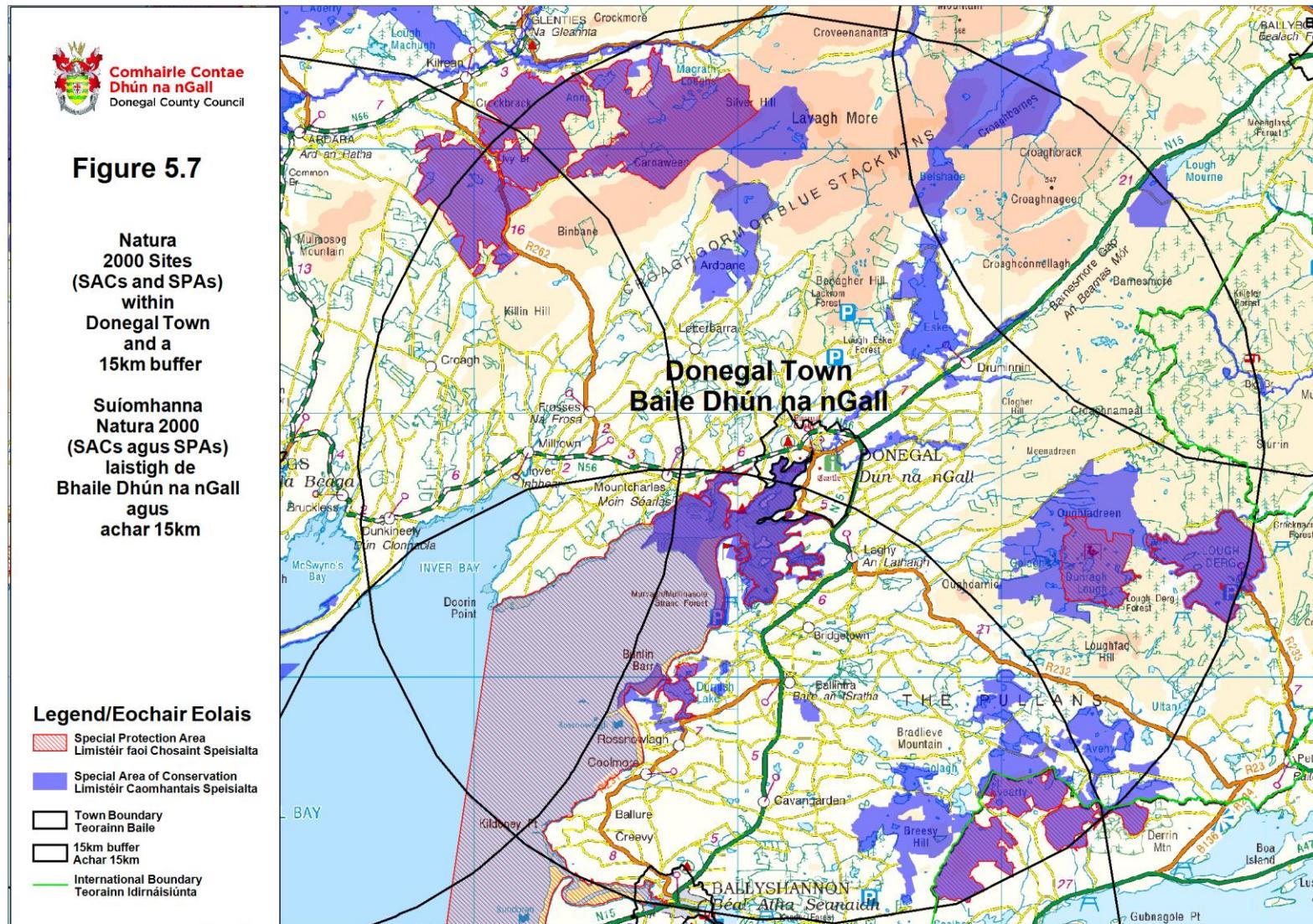
**Table 5.5: List of Natura 2000 sites within Carndonagh and a 15km buffer**

Site Type	Site Code	Site Name	Located within the town	Located within a 15km radius of the town
<b>Co. Donegal</b>				
SAC	000168	Magheradrumman Bog	No	Yes
SAC	002012	North Inishowen Coast	No	Yes
SPA	004034	Trawbreaga Bay	No	Yes
SPA	004087	Lough Foyle	No	Yes
SPA	004146	Malin Head	No	Yes

**Figure 5.6: Natura 2000 sites within Carndonagh and a 15km buffer**



**Figure 5.7: Natura 2000 sites within Donegal Town and a 15km buffer**



## 5.7 Donegal Town

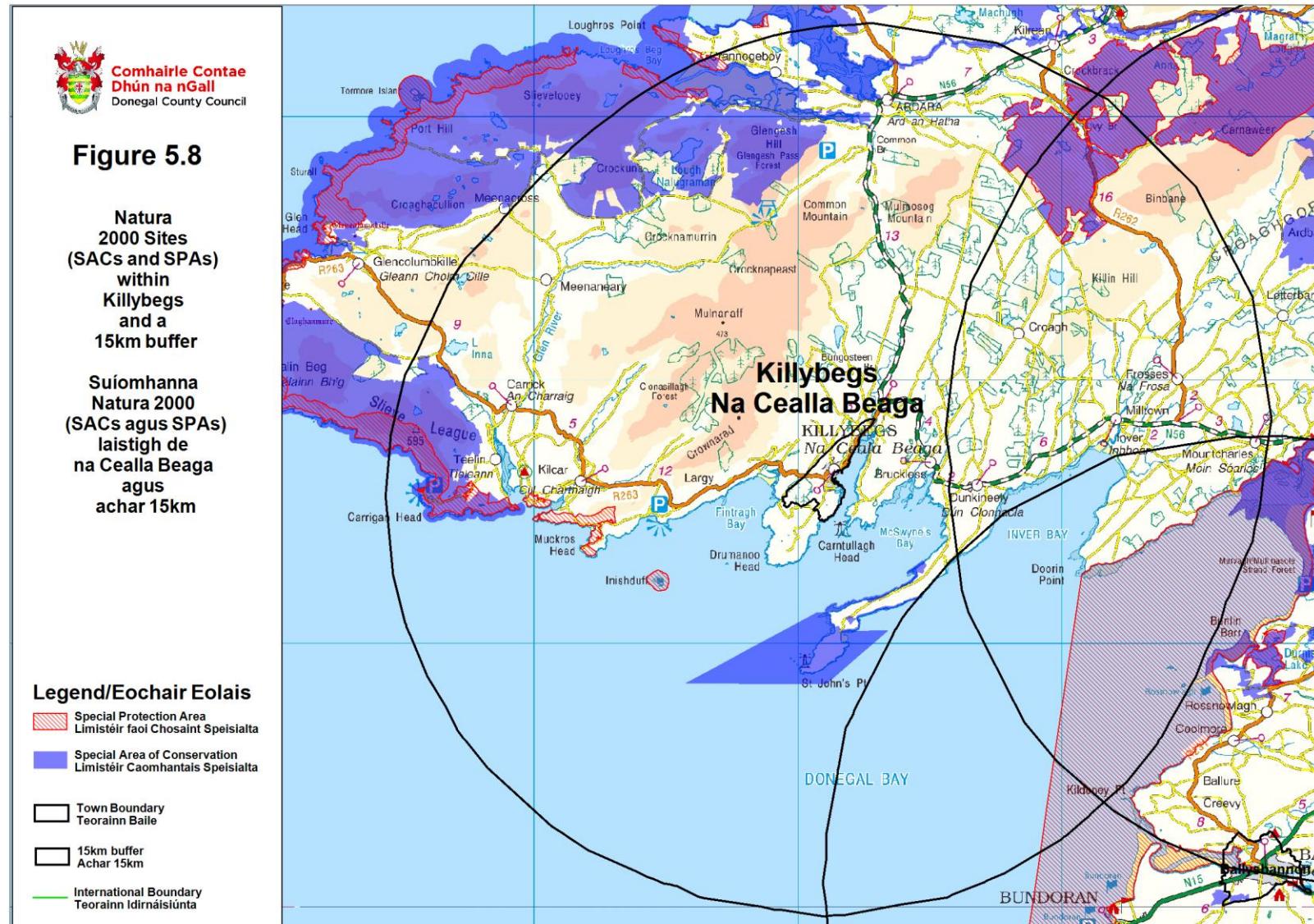
There are a total of 18 Natura 2000 sites located either within the Donegal Town LAP town boundary or within the zone of influence of the Plan as listed in Table 5.6 and illustrated on Figure 5.7. These Natura 2000 sites comprise twelve SACs and four SPAs located in Co. Donegal; two of the SACs and one of the SPAs are located within the LAP boundary for Donegal Town and the remaining ten SACs and three SPAs are located within a 15km radius of the town. There is also one SAC and one SPA located within a 15km radius of the town boundary within Northern Ireland.

The 15km buffer for Donegal Town overlaps with the 15km buffers for Ballybofey-Stranorlar, Ballyshannon and Killybegs. As a result six of the SACs (Ballintra, Donegal Bay (Murvagh), Durnesh Lough, Tamur Bay, Lough Golagh and Breesy Hill and Pettigo Plateau) and one of the SPAs (Pettigo Plateau) is located within the zone of influence of the Plan for both Donegal Town and Ballyshannon. Two of the SACs (Croaghonagh Bog and River Finn) are located within the zone of influence of the Plan for both Donegal Town and Ballybofey-Stranorlar. Two of the SPAs (Lough Nillan Bog and Donegal Bay) are located within the zone of influence of the Plan for both Donegal Town and Killybegs, while one of the SPAs (Donegal Bay) is located within the zone of influence for the Plan for Donegal Town and Ballyshannon.

**Table 5.6: List of Natura 2000 sites within Donegal Town and a 15km buffer**

Site Type	Site Code	Site Name	Located within the town	Located within a 15km radius of the town
<b>Co. Donegal</b>				
SAC	000115	Ballintra	No	Yes
SAC	000129	Croaghonagh Bog	No	Yes
SAC	000133	Donegal Bay (Murvagh)	Yes	Yes
SAC	000138	Durnesh Lough	No	Yes
SAC	000163	Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood	Yes	Yes
SAC	000165	Lough Nillan Bog (Carrickatieve)	No	Yes
SAC	000172	Meenaguse/Ardbane Bog	No	Yes
SAC	001125	Dunragh Loughs/ Pettigo Plateau	No	Yes
SAC	001880	Meenagruse Scragh	No	Yes
SAC	001992	Tamur Bog	No	Yes
SAC	002164	Lough Golagh & Breesy Hill	No	Yes
SAC	002301	River Finn	No	Yes
SPA	004057	Lough Derg (Donegal)	No	Yes
SPA	004099	Pettigo Plateau Nature Reserve	No	Yes
SPA	004110	Lough Nillan Bog	No	Yes
SPA	004151	Donegal Bay	Yes	Yes
<b>Northern Ireland</b>				
SAC	UK0016607	Pettigo Plateau	No	Yes
SPA	UK9020051	Pettigo Plateau	No	Yes

**Figure 5.8: Natura 2000 sites within Killybegs and a 15km buffer**



## 5.8 Killybegs

There are a total of 9 Natura 2000 sites within a 15km radius of the Killybegs LAP boundary as listed in Table 5.7 and illustrated on Figure 5.8. These Natura 2000 sites comprise five SACs and four SPAs, all located within Co. Donegal.

The 15km buffers for Killybegs, Donegal Town and Ballyshannon all overlap. As a result, one of the SACs (Lough Nilan Bog) and two of the SPAs (Lough Nillan Bog and Donegal Bay) are located within the zone of influence of the Plan for both Killybegs and Donegal Town. One of the SPAs (Donegal Bay) is located within the zone of influence of the Plan for the three towns of Killybegs, Donegal Town and Ballyshannon.

**Table 5.7: List of Natura 2000 sites within Killybegs and a 15km buffer**

Site Type	Site Code	Site Name	Located within the town	Located within a 15km radius of the town
<b>Co. Donegal</b>				
SAC	000165	Lough Nillan Bog (Carrickatlieve)	No	Yes
SAC	000189	Slieve League	No	Yes
SAC	000190	Slieve Tooey/ Tormore Island/ Loughros Beg Bay	No	Yes
SAC	000191	St John's Point	No	Yes
SAC	000197	West of Ardara/Mass Road	No	Yes
SPA	004110	Lough Nillan Bog	No	Yes
SPA	004115	Inishduff	No	Yes
SPA	004150	West Donegal Coast	No	Yes
SPA	004151	Donegal Bay	No	Yes

## 5.9 Assessment of Likely Significant Affect

The objectives and policies of the Draft LAP are individually screened to assess for likely significant affects on the Natura 2000 network. The assessment considers the implications of policies and objectives for relevant Natura 2000 sites, particularly in respect of their qualifying interests and conservation objectives, and the integrity of the wider Natura network. Information on current conservation status and threats to site integrity also form part of the assessment, and possible in combination effects with other plans. When considering likely significant affects, in situ and ex situ effects are assessed. The overall aim of the assessment is to predict consequences that can reasonably be foreseen due to implementation of a policy or objective of the LAP. It should be noted however that the Draft LAP is highly strategic in nature and the impact assessment therefore reflects this in its generalised approach.

The overall aim of the Habitats Directive is to maintain or restore the favourable conservation status of habitats and species of community interest in the Natura 2000 network. Favourable conservation status is defined in generic terms as follows.

Favourable conservation status of a habitat is achieved when:

- Its natural range, and area it covers within that range, are stable or increasing, and
- The specific structure and functions which are necessary for its long-term maintenance exist and are likely to continue to exist for the foreseeable future, and

- The conservation status of its typical species is favourable.

The favourable conservation status of a species is achieved when:

- population dynamics data on the species concerned indicate that it is maintaining itself on a long-term basis as a viable component of its natural habitats, and
- the natural range of the species is neither being reduced nor is likely to be reduced for the foreseeable future, and
- there is, and will probably continue to be, a sufficiently large habitat to maintain its populations on a long-term basis.

For many sites in the Natura network, site-specific conservation objectives have been set and these are available on [www.npws.ie](http://www.npws.ie). In the absence of site-specific objectives and targets the generic objectives above apply. Since targets for attributes may change as more information becomes available, it is essential that the date and version of conservation objectives are cited. An appropriate assessment based on conservation objectives will remain valid even if the targets are subsequently updated, providing they were the most recent objectives available when the assessment was carried out.

Guidance sets out direct and indirect types of impacts that are to be considered in the assessment process. These impacts include loss of habitat area, fragmentation of habitats, disturbance of species, changes to population structure or density, and changes in quantity or quality of the water resource. The potential for such impacts arises from many policy areas including economic and settlement strategies, rural development and infrastructural development. These activities can give rise to land take through development of natural sites; loss of staging sites important to species migration or recruitment; habitat degradation through pollution or resource depletion; species disturbance or disruption of food chains. Guidance documents also provide indicators for assessing the significance of any impact.

Environmental pressures may arise from various elements of the Plan. They include settlement strategies and population growth; increased demand for water and wastewater services; increased pressures from tourism, in particular eco-tourism; infrastructural and industrial developments; expansion of sustainable or alternative energy sources and transmission networks; increased demand for mineral extraction; flood risk abatement. All of these pressures could potentially give rise to significant effects on the Natura network and require careful management and mitigation if necessary.

Where likely significant affects are identified, alternatives to the relevant policy or objective (including rejection where appropriate) are considered that would avoid any impact, or mitigation measures are formulated to offset the likely impact. Such mitigation may be in the form of amendments to the policy or objective, or additional mitigating LAP policies or objectives.

The screening assessment is set out in a matrix in Appendix B. It sets out each policy and objective of the Draft LAP along with the Natura 2000 sites that could be affected; the nature of potential impacts, including in combination affects; an assessment of the significance of any effect; and where appropriate the mitigation required to avoid impact. The findings of this assessment process are outlined in Summary Findings of Stage 2 Assessment below.

# 6 Appropriate Assessment of the Draft Local Area Plan

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In order to assess any potential impact of the implementation of the Local Area Plan (LAP) for each of the 7 towns on the relevant Natura 2000 sites identified in Chapter 5, an impact screening matrix was developed to assess each individual policy and objective to determine the likelihood of potential significant impact, both in-situ and ex-situ. This screening matrix is presented in Appendix B.

The scope of this assessment is to consider implications at the strategic level of the Draft LAP policies and objectives, the main goal of which is to implement the policies and objectives of the Draft County Donegal Development Plan 2018-2024 (the Draft CDP), provisions of the Regional Planning Guidelines, the National Spatial Strategy and other National and EU Legislation. The detailed screening for potential significant impact set out in Appendix B identifies that many of the Plan's policies and objectives explicitly define strategies and measures to ensure that no significant adverse effects on the Natura 2000 network and the environment generally will occur as a result of its implementation.

## 6.1 Impact Assessment Methodology

National Parks and Wildlife Services (NPWS) and Development Applications Unit of Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and the Gaeltacht Affairs, along with other relevant Statutory Authorities were consulted during preparation of the initial Appropriate Assessment (AA) Screening Report as described in 'Stage 1 AA Screening of Draft LAP' above (see Chapter 1 for details). All comments and amendments received have been incorporated into this document.

All Policies and objectives of the Draft LAP were included in the impact screening matrix for detailed assessment under the following key headings:-

- LAP Policy/Objective
- Natura 2000 site that may be affected
- Potential Impact of policy/objective
- Risk of Significant Impact
- Potential for 'In Combination Impacts'
- Risk of Significant Combination Impacts
- Mitigation

Where further actions have been identified these are listed in 'Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion or Amendment'. These further actions feed directly into the drafting and amending of the policies and objectives of the Draft LAP and inform future assessments at project level.

## 6.2 Summary Findings of Stage 2 Assessment

The Draft County Development Plan 2018-2024 (the Draft CDP) is the key delivery vehicle at County level for the implementation of the Regional Planning Guidelines, National Spatial Strategy, National and EU Legislation.

The Core Strategy of the County Development Plan is required to be consistent with the RPGs and set out a settlement hierarchy for County Donegal along with population and housing targets for all towns, villages and the open countryside. Local Area Plans are in turn required to be consistent with the Core Strategy of the County Development Plan. The Core Stratgey of the Draft County Development Plan 2018-2024 is set out in Chapter 2 of Part A of the Draft CDP. The policies of the Draft CDP that are

most relevant to the Draft LAP are set out in Appendix A of the Draft LAP. However, the Draft LAP is prepared in the context of the Draft County Donegal Development Plan 2018-2024, and should be read in conjunction with the Draft CDP for a complete understanding of the comprehensive range of measures included to mitigate any impact on Natura sites.

The environmental sensitivities of the County identified in the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) process for the Draft County Development Plan 2018-2024 have informed the Core Strategy and the role it identifies for the LAP. The Draft LAP responds to environmental factors including wastewater infrastructure constraints, areas at risk of flooding etc. It acknowledges the importance of natural heritage as an environmental and economic (including tourism) resource and includes significant numbers of objectives and policies throughout for its conservation and enhancement. There are in excess of sixty direct explicit references to compliance with the Habitats Directive in the policies and objectives of the Draft LAP.

The Draft CDP, having been produced in an iterative context of Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Appropriate Assessment (AA), identifies that there is significant capacity throughout the entire County to participate in and contribute to growth and development. The plan provides for population growth at a rate of 1.1% annual increase leading to a population of 173,000 by 2024 (population increase of 13,968).

The Draft CDP envisages that 30% of the population uplift would be provided for in Letterkenny, 34% in the strategic towns (Layer 2) and 36% in rural towns and countryside. The Core Strategy population allocation for all of the Layer 2 Strategic Towns over the lifetime of the Draft CDP (to 2024) is 4,789 people of which the Draft LAP will consist of circa 2,600 people (see Table 2.6, Chapter 2, Part A of the Draft CDP). This reflects evidence-based information on the availability of infrastructural capacity to accommodate reasonable levels of future housing development in these locations. Conversely, a limited level of new housing is proposed in towns and villages where there are significant infrastructural constraints.

An objective of the Core Strategy of the Draft CDP is to align investment in infrastructure with the priorities for growth established in the settlement structure. Draft LAP policies reflect this commitment to ensuring timely provision of infrastructure and adequate capacity to mitigate potential environmental impact, as set out in Regional Planning Guideline's to prevent negative impact on downstream European sites. Tables 2.2 and 2.3 of the Draft LAP show projected population uplift and housing supply and demonstrate that the Draft LAP broadly complies with the Core Strategy of the Draft CDP. Monitoring will assess implementation and delivery of the Core Strategy.

As previously stated, the Draft CDP and the Draft LAP should be read in tandem when interpreting the specific policies and objectives for the seven strategic towns. The general development management standards applicable to the LAP area are included in the Draft CDP; while policies and objectives that are specific to An Clochán Liath (Dungloe), Ballybofey-Stranorlar, Ballyshannon, Bridgend, Carndonagh, Donegal Town and Killybegs are included in the Draft LAP (Chapters 4-10 of the Draft LAP). The Draft LAP sets out objectives and policies to protect, enhance and appropriately harness the unique quality and diversity of the environment in the seven towns, through a wide range of measures, supported by proper planning and sustainable development.

As part of the Economic Development Strategy the Draft LAP seeks to facilitate sustainable tourism and creation of a renewable energy market. The plan recognises the environmental and infrastructural constraints that must be considered, and issues relating to Natura 2000 and other protected sites such as Freshwater Pearl Mussel Sub-basins, have been assessed in determining appropriate development throughout the County. Protecting the natural environment including Natura 2000 sites and fragile coastal and upland environments is identified as a key challenge in this process. The Draft LAP includes policies to protect the Natura 2000 network through compliance with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive as part of the assessment of development proposals.

The need for alignment of water and wastewater infrastructure with the Council's strategy for growth as set out in the Core Strategy is clear. This alignment should ensure that the anticipated growth does

not compromise the environmental assets of the County. The Draft LAP includes objectives and policy commitments to protecting water quality in line with implementation of the Water Framework Directive through the relevant River Basin Management Plan and Programme of Measures, and with other statutory water management plans. Assessment of development proposals will include consideration of cumulative impacts of existing and previously approved development. In particular, individual environmental vulnerabilities have been mapped so that they can be considered on a cumulative basis. Objectives and policies are included in the Draft LAP for upgrading of key infrastructure and will benefit the integrity of Natura 2000 sites by promoting compliance with the requirements of Article 6 of the Habitats Directive.

The Draft LAP advocates the development of a high quality and sustainable telecommunications network for the County as a critical element to support growth in all areas of the economy and increase the quality of life for the people of Donegal. It recognises that this network, including masts, antennae, support structures and access roads, must be developed with due regard to natural and built heritage and to environmental considerations, and must comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive.

The Council considers that the planning process can play a significant positive role in managing flood risk by such actions as ensuring that; vulnerable developments are not built in identified flood prone locations, developments do not reduce the natural storage capacity provided by flood plains, and developments do not increase surface water runoff over and above natural rates. All development proposals will be assessed in accordance with 'The Planning System and Flood Risk Management - Guidelines for Planning Authorities', (DoEHLG, 2009), and a sequential approach to flood risk mitigation will be adopted. All stages of flood risk management are required to comply with Articles 6 of the Habitats Directive and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, qualifying interest and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 site.

The aim of the Natural Heritage strategy of the Draft LAP is to conserve, protect and manage the County's natural heritage for future generations and encourage appreciation and enjoyment of these resources. The plan recognises the European and National value of the Natura 2000 network, and also the need to protect the habitats of important species in the wider countryside outside designated areas. It sets out the role of Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) in requiring the protection of the designated species and habitats of Natura 2000 sites. Objective GEN-NH-2 explicitly states that it is an objective of the Council to ensure that proposals for development within this LAP shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites. Therefore any plan or project with the potential to impact on the conservation objectives of designated sites, or the integrity of the Natura network is required to take appropriate steps to avoid impact and will be subject to Appropriate Assessment.

The Council highlight that Donegal has one of Ireland's richest marine resources including c.1,200 km of coastline (c.17% of the state's total), 13 Blue Flag beaches, deep natural harbours, rich coastal seas, coastal communities and inhabited islands. This marine resource is of major importance to tourism and leisure activities, and is a fundamental part of Donegal's natural and cultural heritage. It is an objective of the Draft LAP to safeguard and improve the health of Donegal's Marine ecosystem by protecting the qualifying habitat and species of Natura 2000 sites through Appropriate Assessment of development proposals; maintaining and improving water quality in estuaries and seas by implementing River Basin Management Plan and any future programmes under the Marine Strategy Framework Directive; ensuring sufficient sewage treatment capacity to serve development in urban areas, adequate on-site effluent treatment to EPA standards for developments in rural/unserviced areas, and adequate pollution control measures for commercial/industrial development. It is a policy of the Council to ensure that development proposals do not adversely compromise the environmental quality of coastal areas including Flag Beaches, Natura 2000 sites and areas of Especially High Scenic Amenity.

Preparation of the Draft LAP has been an iterative process. Policies and objectives were reviewed and edited as required to ensure that potential significant adverse affects were eliminated, or additional policies were included to mitigate potential impacts. Given the strategic nature of the Draft LAP, it was difficult in some instances to make a robust assessment of potential impact of a policy or objective on

the Natura network. In such cases, the Plan stipulates that any projects arising from the policy or objective in question will be subject to Appropriate Assessment in subsidiary plans or at project level.

### **Specific Objectives and Policies with Positive Environmental Affects**

The Draft LAP has incorporated significant environmental mitigation measures in the form of proactive objectives and policies. These reflect the consideration given to potential environmental impacts throughout the iterative process of plan development which has guided the formulation and environmental assessment of all policies and objectives. It should also be noted that objectives and policies set out in the Draft CDP, and highlighted in the Natura Impact Report of Draft County Donegal Development Plan 2018 - 2024 also apply to the Draft LAP.

General objectives and policies presented in the Draft LAP apply in the case of each town covered by the plan. General objectives and policies with positive affects for natural heritage and development (Objectives GEN-TC-2 GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3, GEN-EH-4, and Policies GEN-ED-5, GEN-EH-2 and GEN-EH-3) provide explicit and strong protection for the environment in general and for the Natura network of sites in particular through compliance with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive. Implementation of these objectives and policies will be critical for protection of SACs, and SPAs, and sites with other environmental designations or protected status, and for protection of species identified in the Wildlife Acts and Flora Protection Order.

Other environmentally positive objectives and policies are listed specifically in relation to particular towns in the Draft LAP (Objectives B/S-IS-2, BY-EH-1, BE-IS-1, CN-EH-1, CN-EH-2, DT-EH-1, and KB-EH-1, and Policies BY-EH-1, CN-MP-5, CN-IS-5, CN-EH-1, CN-EH-2, CN-EH-3 and DT-EH-1) and also provide for protection of the wider environment and prevention of impact on Natura sites. In particular they provide mitigation measures for surface and groundwater protection, upgrades to critical infrastructure, constraints on development in vulnerable areas, and implementation of environmentally favorable management practices such as SuDs.

Some 63 of the objectives and policies set out in the Draft LAP specifically reference compliance with the Habitats Directive as a condition of implementation. A further 8 objectives or policies impose a constraint of no impact on Natura 2000 sites.

In addition to the objectives and policies listed above, many others promote environmentally beneficial measures such as retention of natural vegetation, hedgerows and woodland and best practice in flood risk abatement, or consideration of statutory environmental management plans (e.g. RBMPs and Programmes of Measures, Freshwater Pearl Mussel Sub-Basin Plans, Shellfish Pollution Reduction Programmes, and EU Biodiversity Strategy). Together they create an ethos of environmental awareness and appreciation that pervades the Draft CDP and Draft LAP and will contribute significantly to maintaining the conservation status and integrity of the Natura network.

## **6.3 In Combination Effects**

Where a plan or project is likely to have a significant effect on a European site, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects it is subject to AA. The in combination test should include completed, approved but uncompleted, or proposed (but not yet approved) plans or projects if sufficient detail is available for assessment. The consideration of cumulative effects includes the sum total of influences affecting the condition of Natura 2000 sites.

Cumulative effects are perhaps most obvious in the case of space crowding of activities that, taken in isolation, would be sub-threshold in terms of significance in affecting Natura 2000 sites. However, long delays between cause and effect can result in time lags for in combination effects to materialise in some instances (e.g. changes in flow regimes due to forestry or drainage). Some in combination effects may be synergistic (e.g. lower flows combined with increased pollutant loads). Other effects can be secondary in nature (e.g. windfarm road access resulting in recreational disturbance of

previously inaccessible areas). In all cases a precautionary approach is taken in the assessment. In combination effects are considered and set out in Appendix B for each Draft LAP policy and objective.

Relevant plans that could contribute to in combination effects in conjunction with the Draft LAP are outlined below with summary comment on the nature of possible interactions.

### **Draft County Donegal Development Plan 2018-2024 and Regional Planning Guidelines 2010-2022**

The Draft County Donegal development Plan 2018-2024 (the Draft CDP) is closely aligned with the Regional Planning Guidelines 2010-2022 for the Border Region (RPGs) in a structured hierarchy for integrated control of spatial development as discussed above. These RPGs have undergone AA and provide a prescriptive context for much of the Draft CDP strategy approach. The Draft CDP in turn provides a framework within which the LAPs are drafted, and with which they must be consistent. Taken together with the LAPs, the Draft CDP and the RPGs provide a cohesive and integrated model of sustainable development with environmental protection at its core and whose concerted proposed activities are assessed to ensure they do not impact on European sites. The suite of spatial plans are highly integrated and hierarchical in their implementation in order to optimise sustainable environmental outcomes. Each is subjected to AA and therefore no significant adverse in combination impacts on conservation status or integrity of Natura 2000 sites are likely.

### **Donegal Local Economic and Community Plan**

The Donegal Local Economic and Community Plan 2016-2022 (LECP) is a 6 year plan and sets out the objectives and actions needed to promote and support both the economic development and the local community development of the County. Although it is not a land use plan, it guides relevant funding streams within Donegal at a European, National, Regional and Cross Border Level, and thus provides a framework within which many operational and other plans are placed.

Screening of the LECP for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and for AA concluded that the Plan is not likely to have significant affects on the environment in general or on the Natura 2000 network in particular. Values underpinning the LECP include sustainability, and collaborative planning. It recognises natural resources, landscape, and environment as key assets within the County, and the threat posed by overdevelopment. The large network of conservation sites is recognised as integral to Donegal as an environmental exemplar, and for learning, and tourism. One of the Plan goals is to protect, enhance and promote the natural environment of County Donegal.

The goals of the LECP align closely with the core strategy of the Draft CDP. Actions arising from these goals are supportive of the Draft LAPs and their policies and objectives. The LECP sets out high level 'soft' objectives in terms of the physical environment. It seeks to implement these objectives through support and promotion of implementation of other plans, including the County Development Plan, LAPs, Regional Waste Management Plan and River Basin Management Plan. In relation to spatial planning the LECP's express goal is to utilise existing resources to facilitate effective spatial planning in the region.

Therefore, given the nature of its goals and objectives, their close alignment with and supportive approach to other plans, in particular the County Development Plan and Local Area Plans, it is unlikely that the LECP will result in any in combination effects on the Natura 2000 network.

### **Water Services Strategic Plan**

Water Services Strategic Plan 2015 (WSSP) provides a National Plan prepared by Irish Water for the delivery of water services over the next 25 years up to 2040. WSSP sets out strategic objectives and details current and future challenges which affect the provision of water services and identifies the priorities to be tackled in the short and medium term. In developing the Plan, Irish Water have considered its interaction with other national and regional strategic plans such as the National Spatial Strategy and River Basin Management Plans. The WSSP aims to protect and enhance the environment by ensuring that Irish Water services are delivered in a sustainable manner which contributes to the protection of the environment; operating infrastructure to support the achievement of objectives under

the Birds, Habitats and Water Framework Directives; managing all water services residual waste in a sustainable manner.

Appropriate Assessment of the WSSP found that the development of the WSSP, and the strategic management of water resources and wastewater provision by a national body, will help improve the condition of many European sites and support the achievement and maintenance of favourable conservation status across the Natura 2000 network, and concluded that the WSSP will have no adverse effect on any European site.

It is an express objective of the Draft CDP to support Irish Water in the implementation of the WSSP, to identify and facilitate the timely delivery of the water services required to realise the development objectives of the Draft CDP in accordance with the Core Strategy and Settlement Structure of Draft CDP. Policy WES-P-11 to support and facilitate Irish Water is reiterated in the Draft LAP.

Therefore, given the nature of the WSSP objectives, their close alignment with and supportive approach to other plans, in particular the Draft CDP and Draft LAP, it is unlikely that the WSSP will result in any in combination effects on the Natura 2000 network.

### **Regional Waste Plan**

The Connacht-Ulster Region Waste Management Plan 2015-2021 is a statutory plan prepared by regional local authorities in line with the requirements of the Waste Management Act 1996 (as amended), and the Waste Management (Planning) Regulations 1997 (as amended). It sets out a sustainable framework for the prevention and management of wastes for the region, and is one of three regional waste plans as recommended by Ireland's most recent waste policy statement. The scope of the Waste Plan is broad, providing policy direction and a roadmap of actions to achieve goals. Its strategic vision is to rethink approaches to managing wastes, viewing our waste streams as valuable material resources to support a healthier environment and sustainable commercial opportunities for our economy.

It is a strategic objective of the Regional Waste Plan to apply the relevant environmental and planning legislation to protect the environment, in particular Natura 2000 sites, and human health from the adverse impact of waste generated. The Waste Plan sets mandatory targets for reuse, recycling, recovery of many waste streams. In addition it sets performance targets for reduction of household waste, reuse and recycling of municipal waste, and eliminating disposal of residual municipal waste to landfill.

The Plan's affects are patently beneficial for the environment. Waste management infrastructure is assessed independently and controlled through a permitting system. The Regional Waste Plan in combination with sustainable planning as set out in the Draft LAP is not likely to have any adverse cumulative effects on Natura 2000 sites.

### **Foodwise 2025**

Food Wise 2025, the Report of the 2025 Agri Food Strategy Committee, sets out a cohesive, strategic plan for the development of agri-food sector over the next decade. It sets a course for the industry of smarter greener growth where efficient and environmentally-friendly production delivers sustainable export growth.

Food Wise 2025 lists the following growth projections:

- 85% increase in the value of agri-food exports
- 70% increase in value added in the agri-food, fisheries and wood products sector
- 65% increase in the value of Primary Production
- The creation of an additional 23,000 direct jobs in the agri-food sector

To achieve the ambitious projections set out above, Food Wise 2025 identifies over 400 recommendations to achieve sustainable growth requiring a concerted and coordinated approach by primary producers, industry, Departments and State agencies.

The Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine (DAFM) has prepared a Food Wise Implementation Plan which includes a supplementary list of sustainability actions in response to an Environmental Analysis. It sets out a robust implementation process, to be driven by a High Level Implementation Committee involving all relevant Government Departments and State Agencies, and chaired by the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

Sustainability and environmental protection are core tenets of the Plan. The implementation process will seek to enhance the regulatory and administrative environment in which the sector operates. Projected outcomes are to be achieved through innovative processes and within the parameters of the Phosphorus Regulations, the Nitrates Directive, Good Agricultural and Environmental Condition (GAEC) and Statutory Management Requirements (SMRs), including those relating to the Birds and Habitats Directives.

Support for agri-environment and climate measures is also available through the Glas Scheme and on-farm capital investment under the Rural Development Programme. In addition, agricultural projects may only progress when it has been demonstrated that they will not result in a Water Framework Directive target not being achieved. Environmental compliance will be ensured with the aid of an expanded programme of farm inspections by both DAFM and Local Authorities. Enhanced governance structures, including the establishment of Local Authorities Water and Communities Office (LAWCO) will ensure close liaison between Donegal County Council and other environmental regulatory authorities.

The conclusion of the AA of Food Wise 2025 was that after the consideration of the mitigation measures and safeguards currently in place, there would be no adverse impacts on the integrity of European sites. Therefore, considering the measures above, it is not likely that Foodwise 2025 will result in any in combination effects with the Draft LAP.

### **National Peatlands Strategy**

The National Peatlands Strategy aims to address peatlands conservation and management to deal with long-term issues such as land management and development, restoration, conservation, tourism potential in managing this resource. It aims to ensure that specific actions necessary for the achievement of its objectives are clearly identified and delivered by those involved in or responsible for peatlands management or for decisions affecting their management. The Strategy applies to all peatlands, including peat soils. This amounts to 1.47 million hectares in Ireland.

Blanket bogs (Atlantic and Montane blanket bogs) are particularly well developed in County Donegal. Peatlands have been used for afforestation, domestic and industrial turf-extraction, grazing and agricultural reclamation and have been used for various types of infrastructural development. A proportion of Ireland's bogs are protected within Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) and this Strategy provides for more effective protection and regulation of potentially damaging activities.

Many stakeholders, including local authorities, have an influence on peatland management through their roles as policy makers, regulators, providers of financial supports or grants, consent bodies, commercial enterprises or providers of public services. In particular wind energy projects are often sited in blanket bog areas. This strategy aims to ensure that stakeholders are equipped with the necessary information and understanding of the implications of its decisions to ensure that its policies and actions contribute to the responsible management of peatlands.

The Strategy therefore is intended to inform and equip regulators and others to allow formulation of plans that will contribute to the conservation objectives for peatlands. It is not likely that this Strategy will have adverse in combination effects with the Draft LAP.

### **Ireland's Forestry Programme 2014-2020**

The objective of the programme is to meet the needs of Ireland's forestry sector and it sets down a series of measures that are the basis of the programme. Measures address issues including afforestation, forest infrastructure such as roads, management, and native woodland conservation.

The Forest Service is Ireland's national forest authority with responsibility for overseeing the development of public and private forestry in Ireland in a manner that is compatible with the protection of the environment. Through a licensing and consent system, the Forest Service regulates the main forestry activities and adherence to a range of standards, guidelines and requirements is mandatory. Individual forestry proposals are assessed for potential impact before consent or licence. The Forestry Standards Manual November 2015, and the Environmental Requirements for Afforestation December 2016, require that in relation to Natura sites, the Forest Service will undertake screening and where necessary, appropriate assessment, and can only approve the project if it is satisfied that it will not adversely affect the integrity of the Natura site, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects.

The Forestry Programme has undergone a full Appropriate Assessment. This included an assessment conclusion that in combination impacts with the Border Regional Planning Guidelines were not likely. The tight regulation of the forestry sector and the mitigation put in place mean that it is unlikely that the programme will give rise to in combination effects with the Draft LAP.

### **Donegal Heritage Plan**

The County Donegal Heritage Plan is a strategic action plan covering the period 2014-2019. The County Donegal Heritage Forum and the County Donegal Heritage Office oversee implementation of the Heritage Plan. The aim of the Plan is to raise awareness, understanding and appreciation of the rich and diverse heritage of County Donegal; to promote its conservation (including natural heritage), enhancement and enjoyment; and to sustainably harness the economic, social and cultural benefits of heritage for current and future generations. The plan will facilitate the appropriate development of heritage in support of tourism activity and harness opportunities presented through initiatives such as the Wild Atlantic Way.

The Heritage Plan is strategic in nature and individual projects it promotes will be subject to AA. The Appropriate Assessment screening exercise of the Draft County Donegal Heritage Plan concluded that the uses, development and effects arising from the Plan (either individually or in combination with other plans or projects) shall not give rise to significant impacts on the integrity of any Natura 2000 sites. Therefore the County Donegal Heritage Plan is not likely to give rise to in combination effects with the Draft LAP.

### **Water Framework Directive**

The primary objective of the Water Framework Directive (WFD) is to achieve good status for all waters by specified deadlines as set out in River Basin Management Plans (RBMPs). First Cycle RBMPs were prepared for eight River Basin Districts in Ireland and Northern Ireland including a programme of measures to achieve WFD objectives. These plans covered the period 2009-2015.

A draft Second Cycle RBMP has been prepared covering the period 2018-2021 and setting out objectives to be achieved by 2021. This draft RBMP now takes a single river basin district approach for Ireland and is the subject of a public consultation process until the end of August 2017, with the intent to publish the final RBMP by December 2017. A key objective for the planning system is to ensure the aims of river basin management are reflected in relevant policies and implementation actions at the various levels of plans. In a reciprocal sense, the river basin management planning process will also identify implementation objectives which the planning system can help address. Therefore both the river basin management and spatial planning processes will work together in identifying and progressing common aspirations regarding the achievement of environmental objectives and targets.

The Draft CDP and the Draft LAP consider and promote the objectives of the draft RBMP. It is an explicit objective of the Draft CDP and Draft LAP to implement the EU Water Framework Directive through compliance with the appropriate River Basin Management Plan and Programme of Measures, and in so doing it will protect and enhance the status of aquatic ecosystems and, with regard to their water needs, terrestrial ecosystems and wetlands directly depending on the aquatic ecosystems, in accordance with the draft RBMP.

The RBMP informs the policies and objectives of the Draft CDP and the Draft LAP; therefore it is not likely that the Draft LAP will have any adverse in combination affects with the RBMP prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Water Framework Directive.

### **Freshwater Pearl Mussel Sub-basin Management Plans**

The European Communities Environmental Objectives (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) Regulations 2009 sets environmental quality objectives for freshwater pearl mussel (FPM) habitats, and requires the production of sub-basin plans with programmes of measures to achieve these objectives. It sets out responsibilities of public authorities in terms of sub-basin plan implementation.

FPM Sub-Basin Management Plans have been prepared for the six Natura designated freshwater pearl mussel catchments in the County. These Sub-Basin Management Plans sit alongside the RBMPs to provide a detailed programme of measures to improve the habitat of the freshwater pearl mussel so that it can attain favourable conservation status.

The policies and objectives of the Draft CDP and the Draft LAP are informed by the FPM Sub-basin Management Plans; therefore it is not likely that the Draft LAP will have any adverse in combination effects with the FPM Sub-basin Management Plans.

### **The Marine Strategy Framework Directive**

The Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD) requires EU Member States to achieve 'Good Environmental Status' for their marine waters by 2020, as judged against a range of 11 biodiversity and pressure related descriptors. Thus, national aquaculture strategies must ensure that aquaculture does not have negative impacts in terms of non-indigenous species, eutrophication, seafloor integrity, concentrations of contaminants (both in the water generally and in seafood specifically), populations of commercial fish or marine litter.

The MSFD Programme of Measures (PoMs), was submitted to the European Commission in July 2016, and the main purpose of the PoMs is to put in place actions and measures which will support the meeting of the environmental targets set out under Article 10, leading to the achievement (or maintenance) of 'Good Environmental Status' (GES).

The Habitats Directive, Birds Directive, and the MSFD are inter-related in that they share a common overall goal of conserving biodiversity, and their objectives are complementary. Management measures taken to achieve the conservation objectives within Natura 2000 sites, and conversely targets set to achieve GES under the MSFD are mutually supportive; therefore it is not likely that any adverse in combination effects on Natura 2000 sites will arise from the Draft LAP and the MSFD.

### **Sligo CDP 2017-2023 and Leitrim CDP 2015-2021**

Specific policies and objectives are contained within the Draft CDP and Draft LAP for the protection of Natura 2000 sites including certain sites within counties Sligo and Leitrim and Northern Ireland. Conversely the Sligo and Leitrim CDP's also consider Natura sites within Donegal. AA for all these plans considers in combination effects and if necessary has put mitigation in place to ensure that impact will not occur. Therefore it is not likely that any impacts on Natura sites will occur due to in combination effects of these CDP's and the Draft LAP.

### **The Regional Development Strategy for Northern Ireland 2035**

The Regional Development Strategy (RDS) for Northern Ireland 2035-Building a Better Future is designed to reinforce and strengthen the hubs, corridors and gateways making best use of regional assets to accommodate growth. It seeks to increase links with neighbouring regions and capitalise on trans-regional development opportunities. The RDS 2035 defines the North West as Londonderry, Strabane and Limavady, along with the greater part of County Donegal. It describes Derry City as the core settlement and as a key cross-border and international gateway providing access by road, rail and sea to the North West.

The National Spatial Strategy has identified a number of key areas for consideration in a spatial context, including the potential for co-operation on key strategic planning issues with Northern Ireland. Spatial planning in the border region of Ireland and Northern Ireland reflect this integrated cohesive approach. Donegal in particular has an extensive boundary with Northern Ireland with significant implications in the context of the Draft CDP and the Draft LAPs for Bridgend, Ballybofey-Stranorlar, Donegal Town and Ballyshannon in particular, as the zone of influence of the town boundaries for these four towns overlap with Northern Ireland.

The Regional Development Strategy recognises the relevance of co-ordinating spatial planning in Cross Border areas. Specific policies and objectives are also contained within the Draft CDP and Draft LAP that afford protection to Natura 2000 sites within Northern Ireland.

The North West Strategic Growth Partnership is a cooperative cross border initiative, jointly led by Donegal County Council and Derry City & Strabane District Council to realise the full potential of the North West City Region and is an approach that is consistent with the objectives for the region set out in the National Spatial Strategy and the Regional Development Strategy as well as the Regional Planning Guidelines.

It is not likely that the Regional Development Strategy for Northern Ireland 2035 will have adverse in combination effects on the Natura 2000 network with the Draft LAP.

### **National Strategic Plan for Sustainable Aquaculture 2015**

The National Strategic Plan for Sustainable Aquaculture (NSPSA) is intended to inform investment priorities for aquaculture under Member States' operational programmes under the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund, although the scope of the national plan is broader than investment needs. The primary aim of the NSPSA is to sustainably grow the production of the aquaculture industry by 45,000 tonnes across all species.

In terms of sustainability the Plan's vision is "*An aquaculture industry that develops in harmony with nature, and with the confidence of stakeholders*". It espouses principles of responsible planning, ecosystem protection, and legislative compliance (specifically in relation to the Habitats Directive, Water Framework Directive and Marine Strategy Framework Directive). It includes actions to develop opportunities and constraints mapping for aquaculture that take specific account of environmental issues, specifically Natura 2000 sites. It is consistent with Ireland's integrated marine plan, Harnessing Our Ocean Wealth (HOOW), promotes ecosystem-based, marine spatial planning and ensures integration with coastal and inland areas.

The AA of the NSPSA notes that "*The existing licensing structure in Ireland includes Appropriate Assessment Screening (followed as necessary by full assessment), and EIA Screening of all applications also followed by a full EIA if necessary or mandatory as for marine cage salmon farming over 100 tonnes. Therefore, the site level environmental assessment process is already well established and should ensure that aquaculture developments over the period of the plan will not adversely affect the integrity of the Natura 2000 network in Ireland.*"

Therefore it is not likely that the NSPSA will result in any in combination effects on the Natura network at this strategic level, and project level assessments will ensure that in combination affects are avoided.

All documents outlined above are generally strategic in nature with far-reaching influence and overlapping objectives. Many of these plans make positive environmental statements and set a policy framework that will ensure the co-ordinated development of the state. In light of the scale and nature of the plans and projects listed above, the possible extent and character of in-combination effects is somewhat uncertain and may be difficult to assess at this geographical scale. However, it is clear from a review of the policies and objectives of the Draft CDP and the Draft LAP that there are sufficient safeguards (objectives, policies and mitigation) in place to ensure that there will not be any significant in combination effects on the Natura 2000 network.

## 6.4 Mitigation Measures

Sustainable development while protecting and enhancing the environment are core tenets of the Draft LAP and these aims have informed the formulation of policies and objectives in all policy areas from the outset of plan preparation. In line with coordinated national and regional strategies, proposed development is directed to robust receiving environments with sufficient capacity to absorb it. This is in keeping with the principle of avoidance of negative effects in the first instance. The drafting and redrafting of policies and objectives in an iterative process that considers the environment and Natura 2000 sites at each stage is the primary method of mitigating adverse effects on European sites. Where potential significant adverse effects are deemed possible, alternative or revised policies and objectives are considered. Where necessary, additional policies or objectives have been drafted as mitigating measures to prevent possible impact on Natura sites and to ensure compliance with the requirements of Article 6 of the Habitats Directive.

Many objectives and policies in the Draft LAP specifically require compliance with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive, or impose constraints of no impact on Natura 2000 sites. Mitigating policies clearly indicate that where any physical development, such as housing, commercial development, roads, ports, service infrastructure or any other form of development, has the potential to significantly impact on a Natura 2000 site, it will be subject to an individual AA process, as defined by Article 6(3) and (4) of the Habitats Directive. Where it is found that the plan or project has the potential to directly or indirectly impact on the integrity of a Natura 2000 site, the appropriate mitigation will be through avoidance. If avoidance is not possible, mitigation in the form of alternatives to the proposed plan or project must be sought. In considering alternative solutions the plan recognises that the conservation objectives and status of the Natura 2000 site will outweigh any considerations of cost, delays or other aspects of an alternative solution. The planning authority shall not, therefore, limit its consideration of alternative solutions to those suggested by the project or plan proponents. It is the member state's responsibility to consider alternative solutions, which could be located within different areas.

Constraints to prevent environmental impact are referenced throughout many of the objectives and policies of the Draft LAP. They include requirements to comply with relevant national and European environmental legislation, strategies and plans including RBMPs, Freshwater Pearl Mussel Sub-Basin Plans, Shellfish Pollution Reduction Programmes, and EU Biodiversity Strategy.

The Draft LAP therefore contains substantial environmental mitigation measures in proactive objectives and policies. Account has been taken of the potential for environmental impact throughout the iterative process of plan development and this has guided the drafting of policies and objectives.

Objectives and policies of the Draft CDP also provide extensive mitigation in relation to protection of the Natura network of sites. Specific objectives and policies with positive environmental affects were identified in the NIR of the Draft CDP and these also apply to the Draft LAP.



## 7 Conclusion of Stage 2 – Appropriate Assessment & Natura Impact Report

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This Appropriate Assessment has been carried out on the Seven Strategic Towns Draft Local Area Plan 2018-2024 (hereinafter referred to as the Draft LAP) for the towns of An Clochán Liath (Dungloe), Ballybofey-Stranorlar, Ballyshannon, Bridgend, Carndonagh, Donegal Town and Killybegs. The assessment involved stages 1 and 2 of the AA process. Preparation of the assessment was undertaken using in-house planning, environmental and engineering teams supported by external ecological expertise at key stages in the process to identify any risks of significant adverse effects on the Natura network of sites and general issues of concern for conservation within the seven towns and a 15km buffer of each town. A review of conservation objectives, qualifying interests and threats to site integrity for relevant Natura 2000 sites in the County and within the zone of influence of the Draft LAP for each of the towns was undertaken to identify sites that might be impacted by policies/objectives in the Draft LAPs.

The settlement strategy was found to be robust and evidence based in relation to environmental considerations and capacity to absorb proposed development. The analysis of provision and availability of infrastructure undertaken in the Draft CDP has allowed development to be directed to appropriate areas within the town boundaries for each of the seven towns and to avoid the most vulnerable and sensitive areas. The strategy of sequential outward development within the towns and policies focussing development in town centres first before less central sites are considered also avoids pressures on receiving environments, in particular on Natura 2000 sites.

Given the highly strategic nature of the Draft LAP it is not always possible to accurately determine likely potential impact on the Natura 2000 network. However, throughout the Draft LAPs policies and objectives state that compliance with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive is required, and in all instances where there is potential for development to have significant adverse effects on any Natura site it will be subject to Appropriate Assessment. There are also many objectives and policies within the Draft CDP that are proactive in promoting protection of European sites and of annexed species in the wider environment and these apply to development proposed in the Draft LAP.

Cumulative and in-combination effects were considered in relation to other plans and programmes of relevance. Many of these latter are used to guide the formulation of objectives and policy in the Draft LAPs. Many are themselves mutually complementary and supportive having been prepared as part of coordinated and structured planning systems and individually assessed in respect of Habitats Directive Appropriate Assessment.

Therefore considering the policies and objectives of the Draft LAP for each of the towns and the specific mitigation measures included to prevent impact, it was found that no direct, indirect or cumulative significant effects on Natura 2000 sites were likely.

### 7.1 Appropriate Assessment Conclusion Statement

This Draft Donegal Appropriate Assessment Report and Natura Impact Report concludes a Finding of No Significant Effects following the completion of stage 2 of the process. Any potential impact on the Natura 2000 network has been mitigated against through iterative development and inclusion of appropriate policies and objectives as identified above. As a result, there is no requirement to proceed to stage 3 of the AA Process. This assessment should be read in conjunction with the Draft Seven Strategic Towns Local Area Plan 2018-2024, the County Donegal Development Plan 2018-2024 and the accompanying SEA Environmental Report (Part D of the Draft LAP) prepared in compliance with the requirements of the SEA Directive.



## **APPENDIX A**

### **NATURA 2000 SITES RELEVANT TO THIS APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT**

**Table A1: Co. Donegal Special Areas of Conservation (SACs)**

<b>Site code</b>	<b>Site name</b>	<b>Qualifying interests</b>	<b>Conservation objectives</b>	<b>Threats to site integrity</b>
000111	Aran Island (Donegal) Cliffs	<p>1230 Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts</p> <p>4030 European dry heaths</p> <p>4060 Alpine and Boreal heaths</p> <p>8210 Calcareous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation</p> <p>8220 Siliceous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation</p> <p>8330 Submerged or partially submerged sea caves</p>	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2016) Conservation Objectives: Aran Island (Donegal) Cliffs SAC 000111. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs), and in relevant supporting documentation.</p> <p>To maintain the extent, species richness and biodiversity of the entire site. To establish effective liaison and co-operation with landowners, legal users and relevant authorities.</p>	<p>Changes in local hydrology including drainage; peat extraction; overgrazing; forestry; burning; direct loss of habitat to development; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation. Introduction of alien invasive species. Illegal Dumping. Quarrying/removal of sand. Aquaculture.; leisure fishing.</p> <p>Outdoor sports and leisure activities, recreational activities; urbanised areas, human habitation; utility and service lines</p>
000115	Ballintra	<p>4030 European dry heaths</p> <p>8240 Limestone pavements*</p>	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Ballintra SAC [000115]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).</p> <p>To maintain the extent, species richness and biodiversity of the entire site. To establish effective liaison and co-operation with landowners, legal users and relevant authorities.</p>	<p>Changes in local hydrology including drainage; peat extraction; overgrazing; forestry; burning; direct loss of habitat to development; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation; agricultural improvements; agricultural abandonment; under grazing; quarrying on esker ridges and limestone pavement; bracken &amp; scrub encroachment. Introduction of alien invasive species. Illegal Dumping.</p>

Site code	Site name	Qualifying interests	Conservation objectives	Threats to site integrity
000129	Croaghonagh Bog	7130 Blanket bogs (* if active bog)	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2017) Conservation Objectives: Croaghonagh Bog SAC 000129. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs.).	Changes in local hydrology including drainage; peat extraction; overgrazing; forestry; burning; direct loss of habitat to development; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation. Introduction of alien invasive species. Illegal Dumping.
000133	Donegal Bay Murvagh	1140 Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide 2130 Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes)* 2190 Humid dune slacks 1365 Harbour Seal ( <i>Phoca vitulina</i> )	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2012) Conservation Objectives: Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC 000133. Version 1.0. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	Agricultural improvements/reclamation; drainage/changes in local hydrology; water quality/pollution (including groundwater); agricultural abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing; direct loss of habitat to development; bracken & scrub encroachment; turf/peat extraction in fens; impacts to local geology/geomorphology (e.g. quarrying/rock blasting) for turloughs & groundwater fed fens.  Introduction of alien invasive species  Illegal Dumping  Burning  Quarrying/removal of sand  Aquaculture
000138	Durnesh Lough	1150 Coastal lagoons* 6410 Molinia meadows on calcareous, peaty or clayey-silt-laden soils (Molinion caeruleae)	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2016))	Agricultural improvements/reclamation; drainage/changes in local hydrology including water abstraction; erosion (natural and anthropogenic); water quality/pollution; agricultural abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing;

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			<p>Conservation Objectives: Durnesh Lough SAC 000138. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs), and in relevant supporting documentation.</p> <p>To maintain the extent, species richness and biodiversity of the entire site. To establish effective liaison and co-operation with landowners, legal users and relevant authorities.</p>	<p>direct loss of habitat to development; bracken &amp; scrub encroachment; amenity/recreation use; tourism-related development; peat extraction; forestry; burning; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation.</p> <p>Introduction of alien invasive species</p> <p>Illegal Dumping</p> <p>Aquaculture</p>
000140	Fawnboy Bog/Lough Nacung	<p>1029 Freshwater Pearl Mussel <i>Margaritifera margaritifera</i></p> <p>4010 Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i></p> <p>7130 Blanket bogs (* if active bog)</p> <p>7150 Depressions on peat substrates of the Rhynchosporion</p>	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2016) Conservation Objectives: Fawnboy Bog/Lough Nacung SAC 000140. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs), and in relevant supporting documentation.</p>	<p>Changes in local hydrology including drainage; water quality/pollution; peat extraction; overgrazing; forestry; burning; direct loss of habitat to development; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation.</p> <p>Introduction of alien invasive species</p> <p>Illegal Dumping</p>
000142	Gannivegil Bog	<p>3110 Oligotrophic waters containing very few minerals of sandy plains (<i>Littorellatalia uniflorae</i>)</p> <p>4010 Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i></p> <p>7130 Blanket bogs (* if active bog)</p>	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2017) Conservation Objectives: Gannivegil Bog SAC 000142. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).</p>	<p>Changes in local hydrology including drainage; peat extraction; overgrazing; forestry; burning; direct loss of habitat to development; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation.</p> <p>Introduction of alien invasive species</p> <p>Illegal Dumping</p> <p>Increased pollution/reduction in water</p>

Site code	Site name	Qualifying interests	Conservation objectives	Threats to site integrity
				quality
000163	Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood	3110 Oligotrophic waters containing very few minerals of sandy plains ( <i>Littorellatalia uniflorae</i> ); 7220 Petrifying springs with tufa formation ( <i>Cratoneurion</i> )*; 91A0 Old sessile oak woods with <i>Ilex</i> and <i>Blechnum</i> in British Isles; 1029 Freshwater Pearl Mussel ( <i>Margaritifera margaritifera</i> ); 1106 Atlantic Salmon ( <i>Salmon salar</i> ); 1421 Killarney Fern ( <i>Trichomanes speciosum</i> ).	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Lough Eske and Ardnamona Wood SAC [000163]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Direct loss of habitat to development; amenity/recreation use; invasive species; lack of/inappropriate woodland development; overgrazing (deer). Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Increased pollution/reduction in water quality Potential threats to Freshwater Pearl Mussel
000165	Lough Nillan Bog (Carrickatlieve)	3110 Oligotrophic waters containing very few minerals of sandy plains ( <i>Littorellatalia uniflorae</i> ) 7130 Blanket bogs (* if active bog)	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2016) Conservation Objectives: Lough Nillan Bog (Carrickatlieve) SAC 000165. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs), and in relevant supporting documentation.	Changes in local hydrology including drainage; peat extraction; overgrazing; forestry; burning; direct loss of habitat to development; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Increased pollution/reduction in water quality
000168	Magheradrumman Bog	4010 Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i> 7130 Blanket bogs (* if active bog)	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS	Changes in local hydrology including drainage; peat extraction; overgrazing; forestry; burning; direct loss of habitat to development; arterial drainage/water

Site code	Site name	Qualifying interests	Conservation objectives	Threats to site integrity
			(2017) Conservation Objectives: Magheradrumman Bog SAC 000168. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping
000172	Meenaguse / Ardbane Bog	7130 Blanket bogs (* if active bog)	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2017) Conservation Objectives: Meenaguse/Ardbane Bog SAC 000172. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Changes in local hydrology including drainage; peat extraction; overgrazing; forestry; burning; direct loss of habitat to development; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping
000189	Slieve League	1170 Reefs 1230 Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts 4010 Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i> 4060 Alpine and Boreal heaths 7130 Blanket bogs (* if active bog) 8210 Calcareous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation 8220 Siliceous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2015) Conservation Objectives: Slieve League SAC 000189. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	Changes in local hydrology including drainage; peat extraction; overgrazing; forestry; burning; direct loss of habitat to development; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Aquaculture
000190	Slieve Tooey/ Tromore Island/ Loughros Beg Bay	1014 Narrow-mouthed Whorl Snail <i>Vertigo angustior</i> 1230 Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific	Agricultural improvements/reclamation; drainage/changes in local hydrology including water abstraction; erosion (natural and anthropogenic); water quality/pollution; agricultural

Site code	Site name	Qualifying interests	Conservation objectives	Threats to site integrity
		1355 Otter <i>Lutra lutra</i> 1364 Grey Seal <i>Halichoerus grypus</i> 2110 Embryonic shifting dunes 2120 Shifting dunes along the shoreline with <i>Ammophila arenaria</i> (white dunes) 2140 Decalcified fixed dunes with <i>Empetrum nigrum</i> * 2150 Atlantic decalcified fixed dunes (Calluno-Ulicetea) 4060 Alpine and Boreal heaths 7130 Blanket bogs (* if active bog)	conservation objectives (NPWS (2015) Conservation Objectives: Slieve Tooey/Tormore Island/Loughros Beg Bay SAC 000190. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing; direct loss of habitat to development; bracken & scrub encroachment; amenity/recreation use; tourism-related development; peat extraction; forestry; burning; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation.  Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Burning Quarrying/removal of sand Aquaculture
000191	St. John's Point	1160 Large shallow inlets and bays 1170 Reefs 6210 Semi-natural dry grasslands and scrubland facies on calcareous substrates (Festuco-Brometalia) (* important orchid sites) 6410 <i>Molinia</i> meadows on calcareous, peaty or clayey-silt-laden soils ( <i>Molinion caeruleae</i> ) 7230 Alkaline fens 8240 Limestone pavements 8330 Submerged or partially submerged sea caves	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2015) Conservation Objectives: St. John's Point SAC 000191. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	Water quality/pollution (including groundwater); development of marinas and ports; disturbance of marine mammals; dumping at sea; direct loss of habitat to development; recreational/amenity use; agricultural improvements/reclamation; agricultural abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing; quarrying on esker ridges and limestone pavement; bracken & scrub development; drainage/changes in local hydrology; turf/peat extraction in fens; impacts of local geology/geomorphology (e.g. quarrying/rock blasting) for turloughs & groundwater fed fens.  Introduction of alien invasive species

Site code	Site name	Qualifying interests	Conservation objectives	Threats to site integrity
				Illegal Dumping Quarrying/removal of sand Aquaculture
000197	West of Ardara/Maas Road	1013 Geyer's Whorl Snail <i>Vertigo geyeri</i> 1029 Freshwater Pearl Mussel <i>Margaritifera margaritifera</i> 1065 Marsh Fritillary <i>Euphydryas aurinia</i> 1106 Salmon <i>Salmo salar</i> 1130 Estuaries 1140 Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide 1160 Large shallow inlets and bays 1330 Atlantic salt meadows ( <i>Glaucoc-Puccinellietalia maritimae</i> ) 1355 Otter <i>Lutra lutra</i> 1365 Harbour Seal <i>Phoca vitulina</i> 1395 Petalwort <i>Petalophyllum ralfsii</i> 1410 Mediterranean salt meadows ( <i>Juncetalia maritimi</i> ) 1833 Slender Naiad <i>Najas flexilis</i> 2120 Shifting dunes along the shoreline with <i>Ammophila</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2015) Conservation Objectives: West of Ardara/Maas Road SAC 000197. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	Agricultural improvements/reclamation; drainage /changes in local hydrology; water quality/pollution (including groundwater); agricultural abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing; direct loss of habitat to development; bracken & scrub encroachment; turf/peat extraction in fens; impacts to local geology/geomorphology  Introduction of alien invasive species  Illegal Dumping  Burning  Increased pollution/reduction in water quality  Persecution (Poisoning)  Quarrying/removal of sand  Aquaculture  Potential threats to Freshwater Pearl Mussel

Site code	Site name	Qualifying interests	Conservation objectives	Threats to site integrity
		<p><i>arenaria</i> (white dunes)</p> <p>2130 Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes)</p> <p>2140 Decalcified fixed dunes with <i>Empetrum nigrum</i></p> <p>2150 Atlantic decalcified fixed dunes (Calluno-Ulicetea)</p> <p>2170 Dunes with <i>Salix repens</i> ssp. <i>argentea</i> (Salicion arenariae)</p> <p>2190 Humid dune slacks</p> <p>21A0 Machairs (* in Ireland)</p> <p>3110 Oligotrophic waters containing very few minerals of sandy plains (Littorelletalia uniflorae)</p> <p>4010 Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i></p> <p>4030 European dry heaths 4060 Alpine and Boreal heaths</p> <p>5130 -<i>Juniperus communis</i> formations on heaths or calcareous grasslands</p> <p>6210 Semi-natural dry grasslands and scrubland facies on calcareous substrates (Festuco-Brometalia) (* important orchid sites)</p> <p>6410 <i>Molinia</i> meadows on calcareous, peaty or clayey-silt-</p>		

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		laden soils (Molinion caeruleae) 6510 Lowland hay meadows (Alopecurus pratensis, Sanguisorba officinalis) 7130 Blanket bogs (* if active bog) 7150 Depressions on peat substrates of the Rhynchosporion 7230 Alkaline fens		
000428	Lough Melvin	3130 Oligotrophic to mesotrophic standing waters with vegetation of the Littorelletea uniflorae and/or of the Isoëto-Nanojuncetea; 6410 Molinia meadows on calcareous, peaty or clayey-silt-laden soils (Molinion caeruleae) 1106 Atlantic Salmon <i>Salmo salar</i> ; 1355 Otter <i>Lutra lutra</i> .	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Lough Melvin SAC [000428]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Agricultural improvements/reclamation; drainage/changes in local hydrology including water abstraction; erosion (natural and anthropogenic); water quality/pollution; agricultural abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing; direct loss of habitat to development; bracken & scrub encroachment; amenity/recreation use; tourism-related development; peat extraction; forestry; burning; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation.  Introduction of alien invasive species  Illegal Dumping  Increased pollution/reduction in water quality
001107	Coolvoy Bog	7130 Blanket bogs (*if active bog)	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS	Changes in local hydrology including drainage; peat extraction; overgrazing; forestry; burning; direct loss of habitat to development; arterial drainage/water

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			(2017) Conservation Objectives: Coolvoy Bog SAC 001107. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping
001125	Dunragh Loughs/ Pettigo Plateau	7130 Blanket bogs (*if active bog) 4010 Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2017) Conservation Objectives: Dunragh Loughs/Pettigo Plateau SAC 001125. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Changes in local hydrology including drainage; peat extraction; overgrazing; forestry; burning; direct loss of habitat to development; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping
001141	Gweedore Bay & Islands	1150 Coastal lagoons 1170 Reefs 1220 Perennial vegetation of stony banks 1355 Otter <i>Lutra lutra</i> 1395 Petalwort <i>Petalophyllum ralfsii</i> 1410 Mediterranean salt meadows ( <i>Juncetalia maritimi</i> ) 1833 Slender Naiad <i>Najas flexilis</i> 2110 Embryonic shifting dunes 2120 Shifting dunes along the shoreline with <i>Ammophila arenaria</i> (white dunes)	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2015) Conservation Objectives: Gweedore Bay and Islands SAC 001141. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	Agricultural improvements/reclamation; drainage/changes in local hydrology including water abstraction; erosion (natural and anthropogenic); water quality/pollution; agricultural abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing; direct loss of habitat to development; bracken & scrub encroachment; amenity/recreation use; tourism-related development; peat extraction; forestry; burning; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Increased pollution/reduction in water

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		2130 Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes)* 2140 Decalcified fixed dunes with <i>Empetrum nigrum</i> * 2150 Atlantic decalcified fixed dunes ( <i>Calluno-Ulicetea</i> )* 2170 Dunes with <i>Salix repens</i> ssp. <i>argentea</i> ( <i>Salicion arenariae</i> ) 2190 Humid dune slacks 21A0 Machairs (* in Ireland) 3110 Oligotrophic waters containing very few minerals of sandy plains ( <i>Littorelletalia uniflorae</i> ) 4030 European dry heaths 4060 Alpine and Boreal heaths 5130 <i>Juniperus communis</i> formations on heaths or calcareous grasslands		quality Felling/Removal of Trees Quarrying/removal of sand Aquaculture
001195	Termon Strand	1150 Coastal lagoons*	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2016) Conservation Objectives: Termon Strand SAC 001195. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht	Agricultural improvements/reclamation; aquaculture, drainage/changes in local hydrology including water abstraction; erosion (natural and anthropogenic); water quality/pollution; agricultural abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing; direct loss of habitat to development; bracken & scrub encroachment; amenity/recreation use; tourism-related development; peat extraction; forestry;

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			Affairs), and in relevant supporting documentation.	burning; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Quarrying/removal of sand Aquaculture
001880	Meenaguse Scragh	4010 Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i> .	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Meenaguse Scragh SAC [001880]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Agricultural improvements/reclamation; drainage/changes in local hydrology including water abstraction; erosion (natural and anthropogenic); water quality/pollution; agricultural abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing; direct loss of habitat to development; bracken & scrub encroachment; amenity/recreation use; tourism-related development; peat extraction; forestry; burning; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping
001992	Tamur Bog	4010 Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i> 7130 Blanket bogs (* if active bog) 7150 Depressions on peat substrates of the Rhynchosporion	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2017) Conservation Objectives: Tamur Bog SAC 001992. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Changes in local hydrology including drainage; peat extraction; overgrazing; forestry; burning; direct loss of habitat to development; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping

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002012	North Inishowen Coast	1014 Narrow-mouthed Whorl Snail <i>Vertigo angustior</i> 1140 Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide 1220 Perennial vegetation of stony banks 1230 Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts 1355 Otter <i>Lutra lutra</i> 2130 Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes) 21A0 Machairs (* in Ireland) 4030 European dry heaths	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2014) Conservation Objectives: North Inishowen Coast SAC 002012. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	Agricultural improvements/reclamation; drainage/changes in local hydrology including water abstraction; erosion (natural and anthropogenic); water quality/pollution; agricultural abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing; direct loss of habitat to development; bracken & scrub encroachment; amenity/recreation use; tourism-related development.  Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Burning Quarrying/removal of sand Aquaculture
002047	Cloghernagore Bog & Glenveagh National Park	3110 Oligotrophic waters containing very few minerals of sandy plains ( <i>Littorellatalia uniflorae</i> ) 3260 Water courses of plain to montane levels with the <i>Ranunculion fluitantis</i> and <i>Callitricho-Batrachion</i> vegetation 4010 Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i> 4030 European dry heaths 4060 Alpine and Boreal heaths 6410 <i>Molinia</i> meadows on calcareous, peaty or clayey-silt-laden soils ( <i>Molinion caeruleae</i> )	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2017) Conservation Objectives: Cloghernagore Bog and Glenveagh National Park SAC 002047. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Changes in local hydrology including drainage; peat extraction; overgrazing; forestry; burning; direct loss of habitat to development; arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table; agricultural reclamation.  Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Increased pollution/reduction in water quality Felling/Removal of Trees Persecution (Poisoning) Potential threats to Freshwater Pearl Mussel

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		7130 Blanket bogs (* if active bog) 7150 Depressions on peat substrates of the Rhynchosporion 91A0 Old sessile oak woods with <i>Ilex</i> and <i>Blechnum</i> in the British Isles * 1029 Freshwater Pearl Mussel <i>Margaritifera margaritifera</i> 1106 Salmon <i>Salmo salar</i> 1355 Otter <i>Lutra lutra</i> 1421 Killarney Fern <i>Trichomanes speciosum</i>		
002164	Lough Golagh & Breesy Hill	7130 Blanket bog (* if active bog).	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2017) Conservation Objectives: Lough Golagh and Breesy Hill SAC 002164. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Agricultural improvements/reclamation; drainage/changes in local hydrology including water abstraction; erosion (natural and anthropogenic); water quality/pollution; agricultural abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing; direct loss of habitat to development; bracken & scrub encroachment; amenity/recreation use; tourism-related development.  Introduction of alien invasive species  Illegal Dumping
002283	Rutland Island & Sound	1150 Coastal lagoons* 1160 Large shallow inlets and bays 1170 Reefs 1210 Annual vegetation of drift lines 1365 Harbour seal <i>Phoca vitulina</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2013) Conservation Objectives: Rutland Island	Agricultural improvements/reclamation; drainage/changes in local hydrology including water abstraction; erosion (natural and anthropogenic); water quality/pollution; agricultural abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing; direct loss of habitat to development;

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		2110 Embryonic shifting dunes 2120 Shifting dunes along the shoreline with <i>Ammophila arenaria</i> (white dunes) 2130 Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes)* 2190 Humid dune slacks	and Sound SAC 002283. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	bracken & scrub encroachment; amenity/recreation use; tourism-related development.  Introduction of alien invasive species; Illegal Dumping  Burning; Quarrying/removal of sand Aquaculture
002287	Lough Swilly	1130 Estuaries 1150 * Coastal lagoons 1330 Atlantic salt meadows ( <i>Glauco- Puccinellietalia maritimae</i> ) 1355 Otter <i>Lutra lutra</i> 91A0 Old sessile oak woods with <i>Ilex</i> and <i>Blechnum</i> in the British Isles	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2011) Conservation Objectives: Lough Swilly SAC 002287 and Lough Swilly SPA 004075. Version 1.0. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	Agricultural improvements/reclamation; drainage/changes in local hydrology including water abstraction; erosion (natural and anthropogenic); water quality/pollution; agricultural abandonment;  overgrazing/undergrazing; direct loss of habitat to development; bracken & scrub encroachment; amenity/recreation use; tourism-related development.  Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping; Burning; Felling/Removal of Trees; Quarrying/removal of sand; Aquaculture
002301	River Finn	3110 Oligotrophic waters containing very few minerals of sandy plains ( <i>Littorelletalia uniflorae</i> ) 4010 Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i> 7130 Blanket bogs (* if active bog) 7140 Transition mires and quaking	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2017) Conservation Objectives: River Finn SAC 002301. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Water quality/ pollution (including groundwater), direct loss of habitat to development, invasive species, lack of woodland management.  Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Increased pollution/reduction in water

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		bogs 1106 Salmon <i>Salmo salar</i> 1355 Otter <i>Lutra lutra</i>		quality Persecution (Poisoning)
002303	Dunmuckrum Turloughs	3180 Turloughs*	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Dunmuckrum Turloughs SAC [002303]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Agricultural improvements/reclamation; drainage/changes in local hydrology including water abstraction; erosion (natural and anthropogenic); water quality/pollution; agricultural abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing; direct loss of habitat to development; bracken & scrub encroachment; amenity/recreation use; tourism-related development.  Introduction of alien invasive species  Illegal Dumping

**Table A2: Co. Donegal Special Protection Areas (SPAs)**

<b>Site code</b>	<b>Site name</b>	<b>Qualifying interests</b>	<b>Conservation objectives</b>	<b>Threats to site integrity</b>
004034	Trawbreaga Bay	A045 Barnacle Goose <i>Branta leucopsis</i> A046 Brent Goose <i>Branta bernicla hrota</i> A346 Chough <i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i> A999 Wetlands	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2014) Conservation Objectives: Trawbreaga Bay SPA 004034. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	Direct & indirect impacts to the habitats of the bird species of conservation interests (loss of habitat); direct loss of habitat to development; water quality/pollution; disturbance including recreation/amenity use.  Introduction of alien invasive species  Illegal Dumping  Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use  Inappropriate land management
004039	Glenveagh National Park (Derryveagh & Glendowan Mountains)	A001 Red-throated Diver <i>Gavia stellata</i> A098 Merlin <i>Falco columbarius</i> A103 Peregrine <i>Falco peregrinus</i> A140 Golden Plover <i>Pluvialis apricaria</i> A466 Dunlin <i>Calidris alpina schinzii</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Derryveagh and Glendowan Mountains SPA [004039]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Direct & indirect impacts to the habitats of the bird species of conservation interests (loss of habitat); direct loss of habitat to development; water quality/pollution; disturbance including recreation/amenity use.  Introduction of alien invasive species  Illegal Dumping  Persecution (Poisoning)  Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use  Inappropriate land management

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004057	Lough Derg (Donegal)	A183 Lesser Black-backed Gull <i>Larus fuscus</i>  A184 Herring Gull <i>Larus argentatus</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Lough Derg (Donegal) SPA [004057]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Direct & indirect impacts to the habitats of the bird species of conservation interests (loss of habitat); direct loss of habitat to development; water quality/pollution; disturbance including recreation/amenity use.  Introduction of alien invasive species  Illegal Dumping  Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use  Inappropriate land management
004075	Lough Swilly	A005 Great Crested Grebe <i>Podiceps cristatus</i>  A028 Grey Heron <i>Ardea cinerea</i>  A038 Whooper Swan <i>Cygnus cygnus</i>  A043 Greylag Goose <i>Anser anser</i>  A048 Shelduck <i>Tadorna tadorna</i>  A050 Wigeon <i>Anas penelope</i>  A052 Teal <i>Anas crecca</i>  A053 Mallard <i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>  A056 Shoveler <i>Anas clypeata</i>  A062 Scaup <i>Aythya marila</i>  A067 Goldeneye <i>Bucephala clangula</i>  A069 Red-breasted	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2011) Conservation Objectives: Lough Swilly SAC 002287 and Lough Swilly SPA 004075. Version 1.0. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	Direct & indirect impacts to the habitats of the bird species of conservation interests (loss of habitat); direct loss of habitat to development; water quality/pollution; disturbance including recreation/amenity use.  Introduction of alien invasive species  Illegal Dumping  Inappropriate land management  Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use

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		<p>Merganser <i>Mergus serrator</i></p> <p>A125 Coot <i>Fulica atra</i></p> <p>A130 Oystercatcher <i>Haematopus ostralegus</i></p> <p>A143 Knot <i>Calidris canutus</i></p> <p>A149 Dunlin <i>Calidris alpina</i></p> <p>A160 Curlew <i>Numenius arquata</i></p> <p>A162 Redshank <i>Tringa totanus</i></p> <p>A164 Greenshank <i>Tringa nebularia</i></p> <p>A179 Black-headed Gull <i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i></p> <p>A182 Common Gull <i>Larus canus</i></p> <p>A191 Sandwich Tern <i>Sterna sandvicensis</i></p> <p>A193 Common Tern <i>Sterna hirundo</i></p> <p>A395 Greenland White-fronted goose <i>Anser albifrons flavirostris</i> wintering</p> <p>A999 Wetlands &amp; Waterbirds</p>		
004087	Lough Foyle	<p>A001 Red-throated Diver <i>Gavia stellata</i></p> <p>A005 Great Crested Grebe <i>Podiceps cristatus</i></p> <p>A037 Bewick's Swan <i>Cygnus</i></p>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2014) Conservation	Direct & indirect impacts to the habitats of the bird species of conservation interests (loss of habitat); direct loss of habitat to development; water quality/pollution; disturbance including recreation/amenity use.

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		<p>columbianus bewickii</p> <p>A038 Whooper Swan <i>Cygnus cygnus</i></p> <p>A043 Greylag Goose <i>Anser anser</i></p> <p>A046 Light-bellied Brent Goose <i>Branta bernicla hrota</i></p> <p>A048 Shelduck <i>Tadorna tadorna</i></p> <p>A050 Wigeon <i>Anas penelope</i></p> <p>A052 Teal <i>Anas crecca</i></p> <p>A053 Mallard <i>Anas platyrhynchos</i></p> <p>A063 Eider <i>Somateria mollissima</i></p> <p>A069 Red-breasted Merganser <i>Mergus serrator</i></p> <p>A130 Oystercatcher <i>Haematopus ostralegus</i></p> <p>A140 Golden Plover <i>Pluvialis apricaria</i></p> <p>A142 Lapwing <i>Vanellus vanellus</i></p> <p>A143 Knot <i>Calidris canutus</i></p> <p>A149 Dunlin <i>Calidris alpina alpina</i></p> <p>A157 Bar-tailed Godwit <i>Limosa lapponica</i></p> <p>A160 Curlew <i>Numenius arquata</i></p> <p>A162 Redshank <i>Tringa totanus</i></p> <p>A179 Black-headed Gull</p>	<p>Objectives: Lough Foyle SPA 004087. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.</p>	<p>Introduction of alien invasive species</p> <p>Illegal Dumping</p> <p>Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use</p> <p>Inappropriate land management</p>

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		Chroicocephalus ridibundus A182 Common Gull <i>Larus canus</i> A184 Herring Gull <i>Larus argentatus</i> A999 Wetland and Waterbirds		
004099	Pettigo Plateau Nature Reserve	A395 Greenland White-fronted Goose <i>Anser albifrons flavirostris</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Pettigo Plateau Nature Reserve SPA [004099]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Direct & indirect impacts to the habitats of the bird species of conservation interests (loss of habitat); direct loss of habitat to development; water quality/pollution; disturbance including recreation/amenity use. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use Inappropriate land management
004110	Lough Nillan Bog	A098 Merlin <i>Falco columbarius</i> A140 Golden Plover <i>Pluvialis apricaria</i> A395 Greenland White-fronted Goose <i>Anser albifrons flavirostris</i> A466 Dunlin <i>Calidris alpina schinzii</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Lough Nillan Bog SPA [004110]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Direct & indirect impacts to the habitats of the bird species of conservation interests (loss of habitat); direct loss of habitat to development; water quality/pollution; disturbance including recreation/amenity use. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use Inappropriate land management

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004115	Inishduff	A018 Shag <i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Inishduff SPA [004115]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Direct & indirect impacts to the habitats of the bird species of conservation interests (loss of habitat); direct loss of habitat to development; water quality/pollution; disturbance including recreation/amenity use. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use Inappropriate land management
004116	Inishkeel	A045 Barnacle Goose <i>Branta leucopsis</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Inishkeel SPA [004116]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Direct & indirect impacts to the habitats of the bird species of conservation interests (loss of habitat); direct loss of habitat to development; water quality/pollution; disturbance including recreation/amenity use. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use Inappropriate land management

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004121	Roaninish	A045 Barnacle Goose <i>Branta leucopsis</i> A184 Herring Gull <i>Larus argentatus</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Roaninish SPA [004121]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Direct & indirect impacts to the habitats of the bird species of conservation interests (loss of habitat); direct loss of habitat to development; water quality/pollution; disturbance including recreation/amenity use.  Introduction of alien invasive species  Illegal Dumping  Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use  Inappropriate land management
004132	Illancrone & Inishkeeragh	A045 Barnacle Goose <i>Branta leucopsis</i> A193 Common Tern <i>Sterna hirundo</i> A194 Arctic Tern <i>Sterna paradisaea</i> A195 Little Tern <i>Sterna albifrons</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Illancrone and Inishkeeragh SPA [004132]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Direct & indirect impacts to the habitats of the bird species of conservation interests (loss of habitat); direct loss of habitat to development; water quality/pollution; disturbance including recreation/amenity use.  Introduction of alien invasive species  Illegal Dumping  Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use  Inappropriate land management

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004145	Durnesh Lough	A038 Whooper Swan <i>Cygnus cygnus</i> A395 Greenland White-fronted Goose <i>Anser albifrons flavirostris</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Durnesh Lough SPA [004145]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Fertilisation; natural eutrophication; grazing; human intrusions and disturbance; discharges.
004146	Malin Head	A122 Corncrake <i>Crex crex</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Malin Head SPA [004146]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Cultivation; mowing/cutting grassland; grazing Discontinuous urbanisation.
004150	West Donegal Coast	A009 Fulmar <i>Fulmarus glacialis</i> A017 Cormorant <i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i> A018 Shag <i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i> A103 Peregrine <i>Falco peregrinus</i> A184 Herring Gull <i>Larus argentatus</i> A188 Kittiwake <i>Rissa tridactyla</i> A200 Razorbill <i>Alca torda</i> A346 Chough <i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for West Donegal Coast SPA [004150]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Direct & indirect impacts to the habitats of the bird species of conservation interests (loss of habitat); direct loss of habitat to development; water quality/pollution; disturbance including recreation/amenity use. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use Inappropriate land management

<b>Site code</b>	<b>Site name</b>	<b>Qualifying interests</b>	<b>Conservation objectives</b>	<b>Threats to site integrity</b>
004151	Donegal Bay	A003 Great Northern Diver <i>Gavia immer</i> wintering A046 Light-bellied Brent Goose <i>Branta bernicla hrota</i> wintering A065 Common Scoter <i>Melanitta nigra</i> wintering A144 Sanderling <i>Calidris alba</i> wintering A999 Wetland and Waterbirds	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2012) Conservation Objectives: Donegal Bay SPA 004151. Version 1.0. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	Direct & indirect impacts to the habitats of the bird species of conservation interests (loss of habitat); direct loss of habitat to development; water quality/pollution; disturbance including recreation/amenity use.  Introduction of alien invasive species  Illegal Dumping  Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use  Inappropriate land management
004230	West Donegal Islands	A018 Shag <i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i> A045 Barnacle Goose <i>Branta leucopsis</i> A122 Corncrake <i>Crex crex</i> A182 Common Gull <i>Larus canus</i> A184 Herring Gull <i>Larus argentatus</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for West Donegal Islands SPA [004230]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Antagonism arising from introduction of species.

**Table A3: Northern Ireland SACs within 15km of County Donegal**

Site code	Site name	Qualifying interests	Conservation objectives	Threats to site integrity
UK0016607	Pettigoe Plateau	<p>3160 Natural dystrophic lakes and ponds</p> <p>7130 Blanket bogs (* if active bogs)</p> <p>3130 Oligotrophic to mesotrophic standing waters with vegetation of the <i>Littorelletea uniflorae</i> and/or of the <i>Isoëto-Nanojuncetea</i></p> <p>4010 Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i></p> <p>4030 European dry heaths</p>	To maintain the Annex I habitats for which the SAC has been selected at favourable conservation status; Natural dystrophic lakes and ponds, Blanket bogs, Oligotrophic to mesotrophic standing waters, Northern Atlantic wet heaths, European dry heaths	Water quality/pollution Changes in flow rates Arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table Siltation Loss of fringe vegetation Changes in seasonal water levels/fluctuations Direct loss of habitat to development Loading from effluents (WWTP) Recreation/Amenity Use Developments - marinas, fishing Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Increased pollution/reduction in water quality

Site code	Site name	Qualifying interests	Conservation objectives	Threats to site integrity
UK0030047	Lough Melvin	<p>3130 Oligotrophic to mesotrophic standing waters with vegetation of the <i>Littorelletea uniflorae</i> and/or of the <i>Isoëto-Nanojuncetea</i></p> <p>6410 <i>Molinia</i> meadows on calcareous, peaty or clayey-silt-laden soils (<i>Molinion caeruleae</i>)</p> <p>91A0 Old sessile oak woods with <i>Ilex</i> and <i>Blechnum</i> in the British Isles</p> <p>1106 Atlantic salmon <i>Salmo salar</i></p>	<p>To maintain the Annex I habitats for which the SAC has been selected at favourable conservation status; oligotrophic to mesotrophic standing waters, <i>Molinia</i> meadows, old sessile oak woods.</p> <p>To maintain the Annex II species for which the cSAC has been selected at favourable conservation status; Atlantic Salmon.</p>	<p>Agricultural improvements/reclamation; drainage/changes in local hydrology including water abstraction; erosion (natural and anthropogenic); water quality/pollution; agricultural abandonment; overgrazing/undergrazing; direct loss of habitat to development; bracken &amp; scrub encroachment; amenity/recreation use; tourism-related development.</p> <p>Introduction of alien invasive species</p> <p>Illegal Dumping</p> <p>Increased pollution/reduction in water quality</p> <p>Felling/Removal of Trees</p>
UK0030211	Moneygal Bog	7110 Active raised bogs	<p>To maintain the Annex I habitats for which the SAC has been selected at favourable conservation status; Active raised bogs</p>	<p>Changes in local hydrology, peat extraction, overgrazing, forestry, burning, direct loss of habitat to development, arterial drainage/water abstraction/ lowering of the regional water table, agricultural reclamation.</p> <p>Introduction of alien invasive species</p> <p>Illegal Dumping</p>

Site code	Site name	Qualifying interests	Conservation objectives	Threats to site integrity
UK0030320	River Foyle and Tributaries	3260 Water courses of plain to montane levels with the <i>Ranunculion fluitantis</i> and <i>Callitricho-Batrachion</i> vegetation 1106 Atlantic salmon <i>Salmo salar</i> 1355 Otter <i>Lutra lutra</i>	To maintain the Annex I habitats for which the SAC has been selected at favourable conservation status; Water courses of plain to montane levels;  To maintain the Annex II species for which the cSAC has been selected at favourable conservation status; Atlantic salmon, Otter	Water quality/pollution Changes in flow rates Arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table Siltation Loss of fringe vegetation Changes in seasonal water levels/fluctuations Direct loss of habitat to development Loading from effluents (WWTP) Recreation/Amenity Use Developments - marinas, fishing Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping

Site code	Site name	Qualifying interests	Conservation objectives	Threats to site integrity
UK0030361	River Faughan and Tributaries	91A0 Old sessile oak woods with <i>Ilex</i> and <i>Blechnum</i> in the British Isles 1106 Atlantic salmon <i>Salmo salar</i> 1355 Otter <i>Lutra lutra</i>	To maintain the Annex I habitats for which the cSAC has been selected at favourable conservation status; Old sessile oak woods;  To maintain the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected at favourable conservation status; Atlantic salmon, Otter	Water quality/pollution Changes in flow rates Arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table Siltation Loss of fringe vegetation Changes in seasonal water levels/fluctuations Direct loss of habitat to development Loading from effluents (WWTP) Recreation/Amenity Use Developments - marinas, fishing Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Felling/Removal of Trees

**Table A4: Northern Ireland SPAs within 15km of County Donegal**

<b>Site code</b>	<b>Site name</b>	<b>Qualifying interests</b>	<b>Conservation objectives</b>	<b>Threats to site integrity</b>
UK9020031	Lough Foyle	A674 <i>Branta bernicla hrota</i> Light-bellied Brent Goose  A038 <i>Cygnus cygnus</i> Whooper Swan  A157 <i>Limosa lapponica</i> Bar-tailed Godwit  WATR Waterfowl Assemblage	To maintain the Annexed species for which the SPA has been selected at favourable conservation status: Whooper Swan, light-bellied Brent goose, bar-tailed godwit and other important species	Modification of cultivation practices; Airports, flightpaths; Marine water pollution; Invasive non-native species; Hunting and collection, and taking/removal, trapping, poisoning, poaching, predator control, accidental capture; Changes in biotic conditions; Utility and service lines; Marine and Freshwater Aquaculture; Other ecosystem modifications; Pollution to surface waters (limnic & terrestrial, marine & brackish); Outdoor sports and leisure activities, recreational activities.
UK9020051	Pettigoe Plateau	A140 <i>Pluvialis apricaria</i> Golden Plover	To maintain the Annexed species for which the SPA has been selected at favourable conservation status: Golden Plover	Grazing; Changes in biotic conditions; Changes in abiotic conditions; Human induced changes in hydraulic conditions; Outdoor sports and leisure activities, recreational activities; Fire and fire suppression.

**Table A5: County Sligo SACs within 15km of County Donegal**

<b>Site code</b>	<b>Site name</b>	<b>Qualifying interests</b>	<b>Conservation objectives</b>	<b>Threats to site integrity</b>
000623	Ben Bulben, Gleniff and Glenade Complex	<p>3260 Water courses of plain to montane levels with the <i>Ranunculion fluitantis</i> and <i>Callitricho-Batrachion</i> vegetation</p> <p>4010 Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i></p> <p>4030 European dry heaths</p> <p>4060 Alpine and Boreal heaths</p> <p>5130 <i>Juniperus communis</i> formations on heaths or calcareous grasslands</p> <p>6210 Semi-natural dry grasslands and scrubland facies on calcareous substrates (<i>Festuco Brometalia</i>) (* important orchid sites)*</p> <p>6230 Species-rich <i>Nardus</i> grasslands, on siliceous substrates in mountain areas (and submountain areas, in Continental Europe)*</p> <p>6430 Hydrophilous tall herb fringe communities of plains and of the montane to alpine levels</p> <p>7140 Transition mires and</p>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Ben Bulben, Gleniff and Glenade Complex SAC [000623]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	<p>Changes in local hydrology including drainage</p> <p>Peat Extraction</p> <p>Overgrazing</p> <p>Forestry</p> <p>Burning</p> <p>Direct loss of habitat to development</p> <p>Arterial drainage/water abstraction/lowering of the regional water table</p> <p>Agricultural reclamation</p> <p>Introduction of alien invasive species</p> <p>Illegal Dumping</p> <p>Burning</p>

Site code	Site name	Qualifying interests	Conservation objectives	Threats to site integrity
		quaking bogs 7220 Petrifying springs with tufa formation ( <i>Cratoneurion</i> )* 7230 Alkaline fens 8110 Siliceous scree of the montane to snow levels ( <i>Androsacetalia alpinae</i> and <i>Galeopsietalia ladani</i> ) 8120 Calcareous and calcshist screes of the montane to alpine levels ( <i>Thlaspietea rotundifolii</i> ) 8210 Calcareous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation 1013 Geyer's Whorl Snail <i>Vertigo geyeri</i> 1355 Otter <i>Lutra lutra</i>		
000625	Bunduff Lough and Machair/ Trawalua/ Mullaghmore	1140 Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide 1160 Large shallow inlets and bays 1170 Reefs 1395 Petalwort <i>Petalophyllum ralfsii</i> 2120 Shifting dunes along the shoreline with <i>Ammopila</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2015) Conservation Objectives: Bunduff Lough and Machair / Trawalua / Mullaghmore SAC 000625. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service,	Decrease in water quality/Increased pollution Development of marinas and ports Disturbance to marine mammals Dumping at sea Direct loss of habitat to development Recreational/amenity use Agricultural improvements/Reclamation Drainage/Changes in local hydrology including water abstraction

<b>Site code</b>	<b>Site name</b>	<b>Qualifying interests</b>	<b>Conservation objectives</b>	<b>Threats to site integrity</b>
		<p><i>arenaria</i> (white dunes)</p> <p>2130 Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes)</p> <p>21A0 Machairs (* in Ireland)</p> <p>5130 <i>Juniperus communis</i> formations on heaths or calcareous grasslands</p> <p>6210 Semi-natural dry grasslands and scrubland facies on calcareous substrates (Festuco-Brometalia) (* important orchid sites)</p> <p>7230 Alkaline fens</p>	Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	<p>Erosion (natural and anthropogenic)</p> <p>Agricultural abandonment</p> <p>Overgrazing/undergrazing</p> <p>Bracken and scrub encroachment</p> <p>Tourism related development</p> <p>Introduction of alien invasive species</p> <p>Illegal Dumping</p> <p>Burning</p> <p>Quarrying/removal of sand</p> <p>Aquaculture</p>

**Table A6: County Sligo SPAs within 15km of County Donegal**

<b>Site code</b>	<b>Site name</b>	<b>Qualifying interests</b>	<b>Conservation objectives</b>	<b>Threats to site integrity</b>
004187	Sligo/Leitrim Uplands	A103 Peregrine <i>Falco peregrinus</i> A346 Chough <i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Sligo/Leitrim Uplands SPA [004187]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Direct loss of habitat to development Water quality/pollution Disturbance including recreation/amenity use Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use Inappropriate land management

**Table A7: County Leitrim SACs within 15km of County Donegal**

Site code	Site name	Qualifying interests	Conservation objectives	Threats to site integrity
000625	Bunduff Lough and Machair/ Trawalua/ Mullaghmore	1140 Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide 1160 Large shallow inlets and bays 1170 Reefs 1395 Petalwort <i>Petalophyllum ralfsii</i> 2120 Shifting dunes along the shoreline with <i>Ammopila arenaria</i> (white dunes) 2130 Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes) 21A0 Machairs (* in Ireland) 5130 <i>Juniperus communis</i> formations on heaths or calcareous grasslands 6210 Semi-natural dry grasslands and scrubland facies on calcareous substrates ( <i>Festuco-Brometalia</i> ) (* important orchid sites) 7230 Alkaline fens	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Qualifying Interests for which the SAC has been selected which are defined by the list of attributes and targets in the site-specific conservation objectives (NPWS (2015) Conservation Objectives: Bunduff Lough and Machair / Trawalua / Mullaghmore SAC 000625. Version 1. National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht), and in relevant supporting documentation.	Water quality/ pollution (including groundwater), agricultural improvements/ reclamation, drainage/changes in local hydrology including water abstraction, water quality/pollution, agricultural abandonment, over grazing/ undergrazing, direct loss of habitat to development, bracken & scrub encroachment, amenity/ recreational use, tourism related development. Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Burning Quarrying/removal of sand Aquaculture

Site code	Site name	Qualifying interests	Conservation objectives	Threats to site integrity
000428	Lough Melvin	<p>3130 Oligotrophic to mesotrophic standing waters with vegetation of the <i>Littorelletea uniflorae</i> and/or <i>Isoeto-Nanojuncetea</i></p> <p>6410 <i>Molinia</i> meadows on calcareous, peaty or clayey-silt-laden soils (<i>Molinion caeruleae</i>)</p> <p>1106 Salmon <i>Salmo salar</i></p> <p>1355 Otter <i>Lutra lutra</i></p>	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Lough Melvin SAC [000428]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).</p>	<p>Water quality/ pollution, changes in flow rates, arterial drainage/ water abstraction/ lowering of the regional water table, loss of fringe vegetation, changes in seasonal water levels/ fluctuations, direct loss of habitat to development, loading from effluents</p> <p>(WWTP), recreation/ amenity use.</p> <p>Introduction of alien invasive species</p> <p>Illegal Dumping</p> <p>Increased pollution/reduction in water quality</p>

**Table A8: County Leitrim SPAs within 15km of County Donegal**

<b>Site code</b>	<b>Site name</b>	<b>Qualifying interests</b>	<b>Conservation objectives</b>	<b>Threats to site integrity</b>
004187	Sligo/Leitrim Uplands	A103 Peregrine <i>Falco peregrinus</i> A346 Chough <i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA (NPWS (2016) Conservation objectives for Sligo/Leitrim Uplands SPA [004187]. Generic Version 5.0. Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs).	Direct loss of habitat to development Water quality/pollution Disturbance including recreation/amenity use Introduction of alien invasive species Illegal Dumping Disturbance from Recreational/amenity use Inappropriate land management

## **APPENDIX B**

### **Impact Assessment Screening Matrix - Natura Impact Report**

Policy/ Objective	Natura 2000 That May Be Affected (Name/Code)	Potential Impact of Policy/Objective	Risk of Significant Impact (Y/N)	Potential of Combination Impacts	Risk of Significant Combination Impacts'	Mitigation
<b>CHAPTER 2</b>	<b>POLICY CONTEXT</b>					
<b>Section 2.1</b>	<b>Compliance with Core Strategy</b>					
<b>Section 2.1.6</b>	<b>The Strategic Objectives of the Plan</b>					
<b>SO1</b> <b>SO2</b> <b>SO3</b> <b>SO4</b> <b>SO5</b> <b>SO6</b> <b>SO7</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. Achievement of Strategic Objectives 1 to 7 relies on development of infrastructure servicing commercial, industrial, residential and social needs and providing suitable land banks. Such development and provision could result in impact through increased pressures arising from increased demands for water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, increased demand on resources including land acquisition, and increased emissions. Potential impacts include habitat loss, greater disturbance of sensitive species and sites, habitat alteration through changing hydrogeological or hydromorphological conditions, increased nutrient and pollutant losses to waters, loss of Natura site connectivity and integrity, and introduction of alien species.	Potential	Potential	Yes. Many of the zones of influence for individual towns in the LAP overlap and pressures arising from multiple individual sources can have synergistic effects. Regional scale changes in environmental resource demand and provision of infrastructure could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site and result in cumulative impact.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites.
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set						

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<p>out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p>It is important that the potential for cumulative impact is adequately considered during LAP implementation.</p>						
<b>CHAPTER 3</b> <b>GENERAL OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES OF THE PLAN</b>						
<b>Section 3.3</b> <b>Town Centre</b>						
<b>Section 3.3.3</b> <b>General Town Centre Objectives</b>						
<b>GEN-TC-1</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. Providing sufficient land in town centres for employment generating uses could result in impact due to the requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and can create increased demand on resources and increased emissions	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example new employment generating developments together with infrastructure required to develop existing assets could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites.

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Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>						
<b>GEN-TC-2</b>	None	Unlikley. This objective relates to the creation of attractive, accessible and pedestrian-friendly town centres which of itself is not likely to impact on any site	Unlikely	Unlikely	Unlikely	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 3.3.3 General Town Centre Policies</b>						
<b>GEN-TC-1</b>	None	Policy GEN-TC-1 seeks to ensure consistency with the retailing objectives of the Regional Planning Guidelines 2010 and Retail Planning Guidelines 2012 which of itself will not impact on any site	None	None	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>GEN-TC-2</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Positive. Policy GEN-TC-2 requires compliance with a number of criteria including environmental considerations and no adverse affect on any Natura site.	Positive	Positive	Positive	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						

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<b>Section 3.4</b>	<b>Economic Development</b>					
<b>Section 3.4.2</b>	<b>General Economic Development Objectives</b>					
<b>GEN-ED-1</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. Providing lands for economic development could result in impact due to the requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and can create increased demand on resources and increased emissions, and habitat loss	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example new economic development together with infrastructure required to develop existing assets could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	This objective explicitly requires compliance with the Habitats Directive and with all other objectives and policies of this LAP including <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
<p>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</p> <p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>						

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<b>Section 3.4.2</b>	<b>General Economic Development Policies</b>					
<b>GEN-ED-1</b> <b>GEN-ED-2</b> <b>GEN-ED-3</b> <b>GEN-ED-4</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. New commercial developments including industrial and alternative uses could result in impact due to the requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and can create increased demand on resources and increased emissions, and habitat loss	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example new commercial developments together with infrastructure required to develop existing assets could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	These policies explicitly require compliance with the Habitats Directive and with all other objectives and policies of this LAP including <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and especially GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>GEN-ED-5</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Positive. Policy GEN-ED-5 requires compliance with a number of criteria including environmental considerations and no adverse affect on any Natura site.	Positive	Positive	Positive	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						

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None						
<b>Section 3.%</b>	<b>Housing</b>					
<b>Section 3.5.2</b>	<b>General Housing Objectives</b>					
<b>GEN-H-1</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. Residential developments could result in impact due to the requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and can create increased demand on resources and increased emissions, and habitat loss	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example new residential developments together with infrastructure required to develop existing assets could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	This objective explicitly requires compliance with the Habitats Directive and with all other objectives and policies of this LAP including <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						

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<b>Section 3.5.3</b>	<b>General Housing Policies</b>					
<b>GEN-H-1</b> <b>GEN-H-2</b> <b>GEN-H-3 GEN-H-4</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. Residential developments, including single dwellings, could result in impact due to the requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and can create increased demand on resources and increased emissions, and habitat loss	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example new residential developments together with infrastructure required to develop existing or planned assets could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	These policies explicitly require compliance with the Habitats Directive and with all other objectives and policies of this LAP including <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
<b>GEN-H-5</b> <b>GEN-H-6</b> <b>GEN-H-7</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. Residential development within town centres, and provision of strategic landbanks for housing development could result in impact due to the requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and can create increased demand on resources and increased emissions, and habitat loss	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example additional residential development together with infrastructure required could combine with pressures from other existing or planned infrastructure to cause impact on a protected site.	
<p>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</p> <p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed</p>						

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SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>GEN-H-8</b>	None	None. The policy relates to preserving a portion of zoned lands for a mixture of residential and other uses for the provision of social and affordable housing. Of itself this will not impact any site	None	None	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>GEN-H-9</b> <b>GEN-H-10</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. Small scale development and housing on lands zoned 'Primarily Residential' could result in impact due to the requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and can create increased demand on resources and increased emissions, and habitat loss	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example additional development together with infrastructure required could combine with pressures from other existing or planned infrastructure to cause impact on a protected site.	These policies require compliance with all other objectives and policies of this LAP including <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as						

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amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 3.7</b> <b>Environment and Heritage</b>						
<b>Section 3.7.2</b> <b>Environment and Heritage Objectives</b>						
<b>GEN-EH-1</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. One- off housing and small scale economic development could result in impact due to the requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and can create increased demand on resources and increased emissions, and habitat loss	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example additional development together with infrastructure required could combine with pressures from other existing or planned infrastructure to cause impact on a protected site.	Objective <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , and <b>GEN-EH-3</b> and policy <b>GEN-EH-2</b> require that proposals for development within this LAP shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, including plant and animal species identified for protection under the Habitats Directive, Wildlife Acts and the Flora Protection Order.
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>GEN-EH-2</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Positive. This objective requires all development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive

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		to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites				
<b>GEN-EH-3</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Positive. This objective seeks to maintain the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, NHAs and RAMSAR sites including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015)	Positive	Positive	Positive	
<b>GEN-EH-4</b>	All sites within or in the zone of influence of Shellfish Pollution Reduction Programmes or in Freshwater Pearl Mussel Sub-basin Plan areas	Positive. The objective seeks to protect and improve the integrity of designated waters in line with management and pollution reduction plans.	Positive	Positive	Positive	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						

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<b>GEN-EH-5 GEN-EH-6</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. Regeneration and reuse of the built environment and allowing development could impact sites through infrastructural demands, surface water drainage, hydromorphological change.	Possible	None	None	These objectives require compliance with all other objectives and policies of this LAP including <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 3.7.3</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage Policies</b>					
<b>GEN-EH-1</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. Residential and economic development proposals in areas identified as 'Local Environment' could result in impact due to the requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example additional development together with infrastructure required could combine with pressures from other existing or planned infrastructure to cause impact on a protected site.	This policy requires compliance with all other objectives and policies of this LAP including <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3,</b>

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		can create increased demand on resources and increased emissions, and habitat loss				<b>GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>GEN-EH-2</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Positive. This objective requires that development shall not damage any sites of international or national importance, designated for their wildlife/habitat significance in accordance with European and National legislation including: SACs, Special SPAs, NHAs, Ramsar Sites and Statutory Nature Reserves	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive
<b>GEN-EH-3</b>	All sites within Freshwater Pearl Mussel Sub-basin catchments	Positive. Policy requires the consideration of Freshwater Pearl Mussel and any relevant Freshwater Pearl Mussel Sub-basin Plans in all development proposals that fall within their catchment	Positive	Positive	Positive	
<b>GEN-EH-4</b>	None	None. Policy relates to conservation and protection	None	None	None	None

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		of protected structures				
<b>GEN-EH-5</b>	None	None. Policy relates to retaining traditional streetscapes	None	None	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>GEN-EH-6</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. Development within areas zoned as 'Established Development could result in impact due to the requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and can create increased demand on resources and increased emissions, and habitat loss	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example additional development together with infrastructure required could combine with pressures from other existing or planned infrastructure to cause impact on a protected site.	This objective requires compliance with all other objectives and policies of this LAP including <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						

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<b>Section 3.8</b>	<b>Community/Education/Sports Infrastructure</b>					
<b>Section 3.8.2</b>	<b>Community/Education/Sport Infrastructure Objectives</b>					
<b>GEN-CES-1</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. Supporting and strengthening community, health, recreation, sport and educational needs through the enhancement of available facilities and the provision of new additional facilities could result in impact due to the requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and can create increased demand on resources and increased emissions, and habitat loss.	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example additional development together with infrastructure required could combine with pressures from other existing or planned infrastructure to cause impact on a protected site.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 3.8.3</b>	<b>Community/Education/Sport Infrastructure Policies</b>					
<b>GEN-CES-1 GEN-CES-2</b>	All sites within the zone of influence of the LAP as listed in Appendix A	Possible. Improving existing and/or providing additional community, amenity, educational, sporting and health infrastructure, or the conversion of residential dwellings to community uses could result in impact due to	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example additional development together with infrastructure required could combine with pressures from other existing or planned infrastructure to cause impact on a protected site.	These policies explicitly require compliance with the Habitats Directive.  Mitigation is also provided by <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives</b>

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		the requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and can create increased demand on resources and increased emissions, and habitat loss.				<b>GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>CHAPTER 4</b>	<b>AN CLOCHÁN LIATH (DUNGLOE)</b>					
<b>Section 4.4</b>	<b>Town Centre</b>					
<b>Section 4.4.3</b>	<b>Town Centre Objectives</b>					
<b>CL-TC-1</b>	None	None. Objective relates to enhancing main street features	None	None	None	None
<b>CL-TC-2</b>	None	None. Objective relates to improving vernacular character of town centre	None	None	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>CL-TC-3</b>	Rutland Island And Sound SAC	Possible. Integration of An Clochan Liath Main Street and the adjacent storefront area could impact through requirement to provide for	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2,</b>

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		new infrastructure such as roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and through disturbance.				<b>GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
Section 4.4.4	Town Centre Policies					
CL-TC-1 CL-TC-2 CL-TC-3	Rutland Island And Sound SAC, Illancrone and Inishkeeragh SPA, Derryveagh And Glendowan Mountains SPA, Cloghernagore Bog And Glenveagh National Park SAC	Possible. Development of Opportunity sites 1, 2 and 3 could impact through requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as roads and water services, or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and through disturbance.	Possible	None	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

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Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
CL-TC-4	None	None	None	None	None	None
CL-TC-5	None	None. This relates to aesthetic requirements for main street	None	None	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 4.5</b>	<b>Economic Development</b>					
<b>Section 4.5.3</b>	<b>Economic Development Objectives</b>					
CL-ED-1	Rutland Island And Sound SAC, Illancrone and Inishkeeragh SPA, Derryveagh And Glendowan Mountains SPA, Cloghernagore Bog And Glenveagh National Park SAC	Possible. Development associated with additional economic activity as proposed could impact through requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and through disturbance.	Possible	None	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
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<p>out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>						
<b>Section 4.5.4</b>	<b>Economic Development Objectives</b>					
<b>CL-ED-1</b>	Rutland Island And Sound SAC, Illancrone and Inishkeeragh SPA, Derryveagh And Glendowan Mountains SPA, Cloghernagore Bog And Glenveagh National Park SAC	Possible. Development as proposed could impact through requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as roads or water services, or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and through disturbance.	Possible	None	None	This policy requires compliance with relevant policies of this LAP including <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
<p>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</p> <p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>						
<b>CL-ED-2</b>	Rutland Island And Sound SAC, Illancrone and Inishkeeragh SPA,	Possible. Development of Opportunity site 4 could impact through requirement	Possible	None	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1</b> ,

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	Derryveagh And Glendowan Mountains SPA, Cloghernagore Bog And Glenveagh National Park SAC	to provide for new infrastructure such as roads and water services, or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and through disturbance.				<b>GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment

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Section 4.6	<b>Housing</b>					
Section 4.6.3	<b>Housing Objectives</b>					
<b>CL-H-1</b>	Rutland Island And Sound SAC, Illancrone and Inishkeeragh SPA, Derryveagh And Glendowan Mountains SPA, Cloghernagore Bog And Glenveagh National Park SAC	Possible. Development of housing lands could impact through requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage, and through disturbance.	Possible	None	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply

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						with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 4.7</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services</b>					
<b>Section 4.7.2</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services Objectives</b>					
<b>CL-IS-1</b>	Rutland Island And Sound SAC, Illancrone and Inishkeeragh SPA	Unlikely. The objective is to be achieved largely through signage and provision of pedestrian routes.	Unlikely	None	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>CL-IS-2</b>	Rutland Island And Sound SAC, Illancrone and Inishkeeragh SPA, Derryveagh And Glendowan Mountains SPA, Cloghermagore Bog And Glenveagh National Park SAC	Possible. Upgrading of the R252 and R254 Regional Roads to National Secondary Roads status may entail provision of infrastructure and result in greater traffic flows that could impact on sites.	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

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Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>						
<b>Section 4.7.3</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services Policies</b>					
<b>CL-IS-1</b>	Rutland Island And Sound SAC, Derryveagh And Glendowan Mountains SPA, Cloghernagore Bog And Glenveagh National Park SAC	Unlikely. The policy proposes a traffic management system comprising the routing of existing traffic to segregate HGV and small vehicle traffic. If new infrastructure is required impact could arise.	Unlikely	None	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>						
<b>CL-IS-2</b>	None	None. Nature of proposed works is small and local and no pathways for impact arise	None	None	None	None

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Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
CL-IS-3	Rutland Island And Sound SAC, Illancrone and Inishkeeragh SPA	Possible. Provision of pedestrian and cycle ways could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.	Possible	None	None	<p>Policy is subject to compliance with the Habitats Directive and environmental considerations.</p> <p>Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)</p>
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 4.8</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage</b>					
<b>Section 4.8.2</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage Objectives</b>					
CL-EH-1	All Natura sites in the zone of influence as listed in Table 5.1	Possible. Development of the town could result in impact through requirements for new and expanded infrastructure such as water services, lighting and drainage or through disturbance and	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1,</b>

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		habitat loss				<b>GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment

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Section 4.8.3	<b>Environment and Heritage Policies</b>					
<b>CL-EH-1</b>	Rutland Island And Sound SAC, Derryveagh And Glendowan Mountains SPA, Cloghermagore Bog And Glenveagh National Park SAC	Possible. Development in line with this policy could lead to impact through requirements for new and expanded infrastructure such as water services, lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment

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<p>out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>						
<b>Section 4.9</b>	<b>Tourism, Marine and Recreation</b>					
<b>Section 4.9.2</b>	<b>Tourism, Marine and Recreation Objectives</b>					
<b>CL-TMR-1</b>	All Ntura sites in the zone of influnce as listed in Table 5.1	Possible. Development of tourism and leisure potential of the town could result in impact through requirements for new and expanded infrastructure such as water services, lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
<b>CL-TMR-2</b>	Rutland Island And Sound SAC, Derryveagh And Glendowan Mountains SPA, Cloghernagore Bog And Glenveagh National Park SAC, West Of Ardara/Maas Road SAC, Gannivegil Bog SAC	Possible. Development of greenways could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	
<b>CL-TMR-3</b>	Rutland Island And Sound SAC	Possible. improving traffic, pedestrian and cycling accessibility and movement throughout the town may require additional infrastructure such as pathways, roads, drainage and lighting and could result in impact through disturbance	Possible	None	None	

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<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>						
<b>Section 4.9.3</b>	<b>Tourism, Marine and Recreation Policies</b>					
<b>CL-TMR-1</b>	Rutland Island And Sound SAC, Derryveagh And Glendowan Mountains SPA, Cloghernagore Bog And Glenveagh National Park SAC	Possible. Development of walkways, cycleways and greenways could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	<p>Policy is subject to compliance with the Habitats Directive and environmental considerations.</p> <p>Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)</p>
<b>CL-TMR-2</b>	Aran Island (Donegal) Cliffs SAC, West of Ardara/ Maas Road SAC, Gweedore Bay & Islands SAC, Rutland Island & Sound SAC, Inishkeel SPA, Roaninish SPA, Illancrone & Inishkeeragh SPA, West Donegal Coast SPA, West Donegal Islands SPA	Possible. The development of a marina requires significant infrastructure, and could result in disturbance at nearby marine and coastal sites, or act as a vector for invasive alien species	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed</p>						

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SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>CL-TMR-3</b>	Rutland Island And Sound SAC, Derryveagh And Glendowan Mountains SPA, Cloghernagore Bog And Glenveagh National Park SAC	Possible. Community and leisure-related uses may result in impact due to the need for associated infrastructure including, water services, roads, lighting, drainage and through disturbance	Possible	None	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and especially GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>CHAPTER 5</b>	<b>BALLYBOFEY-STRANORLAR</b>					
<b>Section 5.4</b>	<b>Town Centre</b>					
<b>Section 5.4.3</b>	<b>Town Centre Objectives</b>					
<b>BS-TC-1</b>	Croaghanagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Town centre brownfield and regeneration developments and edge-of-centre developments could result in impact where there	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new developments together with infrastructure required for existing or planned developments could combine	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General</b>

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		is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting, drainage.			to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site and result in cumulative impact.	<b>Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
<b>BS-TC-2</b>	River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Road improvements and extension could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new ancillary infrastructure such as lighting, or surface water drainage.	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
Section 5.4.4	<b>Town Centre Policies</b>					
<b>BS-TC-1</b> <b>BS-TC-2</b> <b>BS-TC-3</b> <b>BS-TC-4</b> <b>BS-TC-5</b>	Croaghonagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Retail, commercial or tourism development on Opportunity Sites 1 to 5 could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting, drainage.	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new developments together with infrastructure required for existing or planned developments could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site and result in cumulative impact.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive

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						(92/43/EEC)

Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment

It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in **General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1** and in particular **General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3**, and set out in **General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3**, and especially **GEN-EH-2**, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.

Section 5.5	Economic Development					
Section 5.5.2	Economic Development Objectives					
<b>BS-ED-1</b>	Croaghonagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Expanding the economic development function of Ballybofey/Stranorlar could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting, drainage.	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new developments together with infrastructure required for existing or planned developments could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site and result in cumulative impact.	These objectives explicitly require compliance with the Habitats Directive.  Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment

It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in **General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1** and in particular **General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3**, and set out in **General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3**, and especially **GEN-EH-2**, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant

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conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 5.5.2</b>	<b>Economic Development Policies</b>					
<b>BS-ED-1</b>	Croaghonagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Development of SEDOS 1 for strategic economic development could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting, drainage.	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new developments together with infrastructure required for existing or planned developments could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site and result in cumulative impact.	Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>BS-ED-2</b>	Croaghonagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Development on Opportunity Site 6 to 5 could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads,	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new developments together with infrastructure required for existing or planned developments could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site and result in	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1,</b>

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		lighting, drainage.			cumulative impact.	<b>GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment

It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in **General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1** and in particular **General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3**, and set out in **General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3**, and especially **GEN-EH-2**, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.

Section 5.6	Housing					
Section 5.6.3	Housing Objectives					
<b>BS-H-1</b>	Croaghonagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Provision of lands for housing development could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting, drainage and habitat loss.	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new developments together with infrastructure required for existing or planned developments could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site and result in cumulative impact.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

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Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 5.6.4</b>	<b>Housing Policies</b>					
<b>BS-H-1</b>	Croaghonagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Provision of walkways could result in impact if there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as lighting, or surface water drainage.	Possible	Unlikely	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						

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<b>Section 5.7</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services</b>					
<b>Section 5.7.2</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services Objectives</b>					
<b>BS-IS-1</b>	Croaghonagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Providing the Ballybofey/Stranorlar Bypass project, inclusive of the proposed link road could result in impact through requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as lighting, or surface water drainage, river or stream crossings, hydromorphological change, and through increased emissions and discharges.	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new developments together with infrastructure required for existing or planned developments could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site and result in cumulative impact.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>BS-IS-2</b>	Croaghonagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Positive. Upgrading of the Ballybofey /Stranorlar Wastewater Treatment Plant will have a beneficial impact on receiving water quality.	Positive	Positive	Positive in particular for downstream Natura sites.	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>BS-IS-3</b>	Croaghonagh Bog	Possible. Improving traffic	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new	These objectives explicitly

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<b>BS-IS-4</b>	SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	and transport accessibility, and cycling and pedestrian accessibility throughout the plan area and opening lands up for development could result in impact through requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as lighting, or surface water drainage, river or stream crossings, hydromorphological change, and through increased emissions and discharges.			developments together with infrastructure required for existing or planned developments could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site and result in cumulative impact.	require compliance with the Habitats Directive.  Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>BS-IS-5</b>	Croaghanagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Development of access roads to backland areas could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as lighting, or surface water drainage.	Possible	Unlikely	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2,</b>

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						<b>GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>BS-IS-6</b>	None	The objective relates to street crossings in the town centre and will not impact on any Natura site	None	None	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 5.7.3 Infrastructure and Services Policies</b>						
<b>BS-IS-1 BS-IS-2</b>	None	None. The policies restrict development along proposed route of the link road and access routes and of itself will not result in impact on any Natura site	None	None	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>BS-IS-3</b>	Croaghonagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Integrating identified access requirements could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as	Possible	Unlikely	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2,</b>

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		lighting, or surface water drainage.				<b>GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
<b>BS-IS-4</b>	Croaghonagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Provision of pedestrian walkways and cycleways could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as lighting, or surface water drainage.	Possible	Unlikely	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>						
<b>BS-IS-5</b>	River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Provision of a replacement bridge could impact on the River Finn SAC or downstream River Foyle & Tributaries SAC during construction or through creating barriers to fish migration.	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	<b>BY-IS-5</b> expressly requires compliance with the Habitats Directive.  Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the

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Section 5.8	Tourism and Recreation					
Section 5.8.2	Tourism and Recreation Objectives					
<b>BS-TR-1 BS-TR-2</b>	Croaghonagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Developing Ballybofey /Stranorlar as a sporting centre of excellence and as a hub for leisure activities and hospitality facilities, and expanding the green infrastructure could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting, or surface water drainage.	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new developments together with infrastructure required for existing or planned developments could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site and result in cumulative impact.	These objectives explicitly require compliance with the Habitats Directive.  Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

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commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 5.8.3</b>	<b>Tourism and Recreation Policies</b>					
<b>BS-TR-1</b>	Croaghonagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. The development of new recreational infrastructure and extensions to existing recreational infrastructure could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting, or surface water drainage.	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new developments together with infrastructure required for existing or planned developments could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site and result in cumulative impact.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment  It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and especially GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>BS-TR-2</b>	None	None. Reserving indicative pedestrian and cycle linkages will not of itself result in impact on any Natura site.	None	None	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment  None						

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<b>BS-TR-3</b> <b>BS-TR-4</b>	Croaghonagh Bog SAC, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Development within Masterplan Areas 1 and 2 could result in impact through the requirements to provide for new infrastructure such as roads, water services, lighting, or surface water drainage and through hydromorphological impacts in riparian zones and habitat loss.	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new developments together with infrastructure required for existing or planned developments could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site and result in cumulative impact.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

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<b>CHAPTER 6</b>	<b>BALLYSHANNON</b>					
<b>Section 6.4</b>	<b>Town Centre</b>					
<b>Section 6.4.4</b>	<b>Town Centre Objectives</b>					
<b>BY-TC-1</b>	None	Unlikely	Unlikely	No	No	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>BY-TC-2</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. Impacts from implementation of these objectives may arise where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure	Potential	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2,</b>

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		such as water services or roads infrastructure to cater for extension and regeneration.				<b>GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
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Additional mitigation is provided by <b>Objective BY-EH-1</b> and <b>Policy BY-EH-1</b>						
<b>BY-TC-3</b>	None	None	None	None	None	None
<b>BY-TC-4</b>	None	None to positive. Objective seeks to enhance walking and cycling routes within the town centre which may reduce emissions.	No	None	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 6.4.5</b> <b>Town Centre Policies</b>						
<b>BY-TC-1</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. The renewal and regeneration of brownfield, vacant, derelict and underutilised lands within the defined town centre could result in impact where there	Possible	No	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General</b>

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		is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services or roads infrastructure to cater for such development.				<b>Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
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Additional mitigation is provided by <b>Objective BY-EH-1</b> and <b>Policy BY-EH-1</b>						
<b>BY-TC-2</b>	None	None	No	None	No	None
<b>BY-TC-3</b>	None	None	No	None	No	
<b>BY-TC-4</b>	None	Unlikely	Unlikely	None	No	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>BY-TC-5</b> <b>BY-TC-6</b> <b>BY-TC-7</b> <b>BY-TC-8</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. The development of town centre uses on Opportunity Sites 7, 8, 9 and 10 could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services or roads infrastructure to cater for such development.	Possible but unlikely due to the scale and location of the site	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b>

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						that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
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<b>Section 6.5</b>	<b>Economic Development</b>					
<b>Section 6.5.3</b>	<b>Economic Development Objectives</b>					
<b>BY-ED-1</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. Economic development in Ballyshannon with an emphasis on cultural heritage tourism, marine activities, business, enterprise, research and innovation, digital technologies and retailing could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services or roads infrastructure to cater for such development or through disturbance.	Possible	Unlikley	Unlikely	<p>Objective BY-ED-1 requires compliance with requirements of the Habitats Directive.</p> <p>Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the</p>

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						Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

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Additional mitigation is provided by **Objective BY-EH-1** and **Policy BY-EH-1**.

Section 6.5.4	Economic Development Policies					
<b>BY-ED-1</b> <b>BY-ED-2</b> <b>BY-ED-3</b>	Donegal Bay SPA Dunmuckrum Turloughs SAC	Possible. Development on Opportunity Sites 1, 2 and 3 could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services or roads infrastructure to cater for such development or through disturbance.	Possible but largely brownfield site. Site is near Dunmuckrum Turloughs and is an area of extreme groundwater vulnerability	Possible	Unlikely	Policy BY-ED-1 requires compliance with requirements of the Habitats Directive.  Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

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<p>out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p>Additional mitigation is provided by <b>Objective BY-EH-1</b> and <b>Policy BY-EH-1</b>.</p> <p>Future AA screening of any projects should give due consideration to potential groundwater quality and quantity impacts.</p>						
<b>BY-ED-4</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. Development on Opportunity Site 4 could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services or roads infrastructure to cater for such development or through disturbance.	Possible, particularly due to waterside location	Possible	Unlikely	<p>Policy BY-ED-4 requires compliance with requirements of the Habitats Directive and no impact on Donegal Bay SPA in particular.</p> <p>Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)</p>

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amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
Additional mitigation is provided by <b>Objective BY-EH-1</b> and <b>Policy BY-EH-1</b> .						
<b>BY-ED-5</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. Development on Opportunity Site 5 could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services or roads infrastructure to cater for such development or through disturbance.	Possible, particularly due to waterside location	Possible	Unlikely	Policy BY-ED-5 and Policy BY-ED-6 require compliance with requirements of the Habitats Directive and the former states no impact on Donegal Bay SPA in particular.
<b>BY-ED-6</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. Development on Opportunity Site 6 could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services or roads infrastructure to cater for such development or through disturbance.	Possible	Possible	Unlikely	Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
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Additional mitigation is provided by <b>Objective BY-EH-1</b> and <b>Policy BY-EH-1</b> .						
<b>Section 6.6</b>	<b>Housing</b>					
<b>Section 6.6.3</b>	<b>Housing Objectives</b>					
<b>BY-H-1</b>	Donegal Bay SPA, Dunmuckrum Turloughs SAC, Donegal Bay Murvagh SAC, Durnesh Lough SAC, Bunduff Lough and Machair/ Trawalua/ Mullaghmore SAC	Possible. Development in line with BY-H-1 could result in impact where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services or roads infrastructure to cater for such development or through disturbance and habitat loss.	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new housing developments together with infrastructure required to develop existing assets could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	The analysis of available lands for identification of the residential land required considered the presence of sites of conservation importance.  Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
Additional mitigation is provided by <b>Objective BY-EH-1</b> and <b>Policy BY-EH-1</b> .						

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<b>Section 6.6.4</b>	<b>Housing Policies</b>					
<b>BY-H-1</b>	Donegal Bay SPA, Dunmuckrum Turloughs SAC	Possible. Provision of strategic roads for development in line with BY- H-1 could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance. Sites PR 6, 7, 8 and 9 are in areas of extreme groundwater vulnerability near Dunmuckrum Turloughs.	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Future AA screening of any projects should give due consideration to potential groundwater quality and quantity impacts.  Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment

It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in **General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1** and in particular **General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3**, and set out in **General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3**, and especially **GEN-EH-2**, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.

Additional mitigation is provided by **Objective BY-EH-1** and **Policy BY-EH-1**.

Future AA screening of any projects should give due consideration to potential groundwater quality and quantity impacts.

<b>BY-H-2</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. Residential development in line with BY- H-2 could result in impact	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new strategic roads developments together with ancillary	Policy BY-H-2 requires compliance with the Habitats Directive.
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		through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and water services or through disturbance and habitat loss.			infrastructure required could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment

It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in **General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1** and in particular **General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3**, and set out in **General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3**, and especially **GEN-EH-2**, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.

Additional mitigation is provided by **Objective BY-EH-1** and **Policy BY-EH-1**.

Section 6.7	Infrastructure and Services					
Section 6.7.2	Infrastructure and Services Objectives					
<b>BY-IS-1</b>	Donegal Bay SPA, Dunmuckrum Turloughs SAC	Improving traffic and transport accessibility throughout the plan area and opening up lands for development potential could result in impact through requirements for new	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example new roads developments together with ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine to cause unacceptable	Objectives BY-IS-1 and BY-IS-2 require compliance with the Habitats Directive and other environmental considerations. Mitigation is also provided

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		infrastructure such as lighting and surface water drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.			pressure on a protected site.	through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
<b>BY-IS-2</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Improved pedestrian and cycle accessibility throughout the plan area could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.	Unlikely due to location and scale	Unlikely	Unlikely	
<b>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</b>						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Additional mitigation is provided by Objective BY-EH-1 and Policy BY-EH-1.</b>						
<b>BY-IS-3</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Provision of car parking area could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage.	Unlikely	Unlikely	Unlikely	None
<b>BY-IS-4</b>	None	Unlikely	Unlikely	Unlikely		
<b>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</b>						
None						

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<b>Section 6.7.3</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services Policies</b>					
<b>BY-IS-1</b>	Donegal Bay SPA, Dunmuckrum Turloughs SAC	Reserving road linkages for future potential development of backlands and accessibility throughout the plan area could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and water services or through drainage, and disturbance.	Potential	Unlikely	Unlikely	Future AA screening of any projects should give due consideration to potential groundwater quality and quantity impacts.  Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and especially GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites. Additional mitigation is provided by <b>Objective BY-EH-1</b> and <b>Policy BY-EH-1</b> .  Future AA screening of any projects should give due consideration to potential groundwater quality and quantity impacts.						
<b>BY-IS-2</b>	Donegal Bay SPA, Dunmuckrum Turloughs SAC	Relocating access requirements could impact through requirements for new	Potential	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1,</b>

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		infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.				<p><b>GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)</p> <p>Future AA screening of any projects should give due consideration to potential groundwater quality and quantity impacts.</p>
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p>Additional mitigation is provided by <b>Objective BY-EH-1</b> and <b>Policy BY-EH-1</b>.</p> <p>Future AA screening of any projects should give due consideration to potential groundwater quality and quantity impacts.</p>						
<b>BY-IS-3</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Provision of car parking area could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage.	Unlikely due to scale and location	Unlikely	Unlikely	None
<b>BY-IS-4</b>	None	None	None	None	None	

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Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>BY-IS-5</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Improved pedestrian and cycle accessibility throughout the plan area could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	<p>Policy BY-IS-5 requires compliance with the Habitats Directive and other environmental considerations.</p> <p>Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)</p>
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p>Additional mitigation is provided by <b>Objective BY-EH-1</b> and <b>Policy BY-EH-1</b>.</p>						

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<b>6.8</b>	<b>Tourism, Marine and Recreation</b>					
<b>6.8.2</b>	<b>Tourism, Marine and Recreation Objectives</b>					
<b>BY-TMR-1</b>	Donegal Bay SPA, Dunmuckrum Turloughs SAC	Strengthening and expanding the network of green infrastructure could impact through requirements for new associated infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat or roosting/feeding area loss.	possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Objectives BY-TMR-1, BY-TMR-2 and BY-TMR-3 are subject to compliance with the Habitats Directive, other environmental considerations.  Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
<b>BY-TMR-2</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Increased tourism and associated development could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.	possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	
<b>BY-TMR-3</b>	Donegal Bay SPA, Donegal Bay Murvagh SAC, Durnesh Lough SAC, Bunduff Lough and Machair/ Trawalua/ Mullaghmore SAC	Increased marine recreational pressures and associated development could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.	possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	
<p>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</p> <p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p>Additional mitigation is provided by <b>Objective BY-EH-1</b> and <b>Policy BY-EH-1</b>.</p>						

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<b>BY-TMR-4</b>	None	Unlikely	Unlikely	Unlikely	Unlikely	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>BY-TMR-5</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Increased tourism and associated development could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.	possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Objective BY-TMR-5 is subject to compliance with the Habitats Directive, other environmental considerations.  Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
Additional mitigation is provided by <b>Objective BY-EH-1</b> and <b>Policy BY-EH-1</b> .						

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<b>Section 6.8.3</b>	<b>Tourism, Marine and Recreation Policies</b>					
<b>BY-TMR-1</b>	Donegal Bay SPA, Donegal Bay Murvagh SAC, Durnesh Lough SAC, Bunduff Lough and Machair/ Trawalua/ Mullaghmore SAC	New and extended recreational infrastructure and increased tourism and associated development could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.	possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	<p>Policy BY-TMR-1 is subject to compliance with the Habitats Directive, other environmental considerations.</p> <p>Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)</p>
<p>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</p> <p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p>Additional mitigation is provided by <b>Objective BY-EH-1</b> and <b>Policy BY-EH-1</b>.</p>						
<b>BY-TMR-2</b>	None	None	None	None	None	None
<p>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</p>						

Policy/ Objective	Natura 2000 That May Be Affected (Name/Code)	Potential Impact of Policy/Objective	Risk of Significant Impact (Y/N)	Potential of Combination Impacts	Risk of Significant Combination Impacts'	Mitigation
None						
<b>BY-TMR-3</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Pedestrian and cycle linkages with the river environment could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss. Appropriately designed infrastructure could provide buffering of urban pressures.	variable	Unlikely	Unlikely	Policies BY-TMR-3 and BY-TMR-4 are subject to compliance with the Habitats Directive, other environmental considerations.  Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
<b>BY-TMR-4</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Increased tourism and associated development could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.	possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
Additional mitigation is provided by <b>Objective BY-EH-1</b> and <b>Policy BY-EH-1</b> .						
<b>BY-TMR-5</b>	Donegal Bay SPA	Development could result in impact however this policy	unlikely	unlikely	unlikely	None

Policy/ Objective	Natura 2000 That May Be Affected (Name/Code)	Potential Impact of Policy/Objective	Risk of Significant Impact (Y/N)	Potential of Combination Impacts	Risk of Significant Combination Impacts'	Mitigation	
		relates largely to visual and aesthetic issues.					
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment							
None							
<b>Section 6.9</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage</b>						
<b>Section 6.9.2</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage Objectives</b>						
<b>BY-EH-1</b>	Donegal Bay SPA, Donegal Bay Murvagh SAC, Durnesh Lough SAC, Bunduff Lough and Machair/ Trawalua/ Mullaghmore SAC	Objective seeks to limit development in Visually Vulnerable area including coastal zone with environmental vulnerability.	positive	positive	positive	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment							
None							
<b>BY-EH-2</b>	None	None	None	None	None	None	
<b>BY-EH-3</b>	None	None	None	None	None		
<b>BY-EH-4</b>	None	None	None	None	None		
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment							
None							
<b>Section 6.9.3</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage Policies</b>						
<b>BY-EH-1</b>	Donegal Bay SPA, Donegal Bay Murvagh SAC, Durnesh Lough SAC, Bunduff Lough and Machair/ Trawalua/ Mullaghmore SAC	Policy seeks to restrict development in Visually Vulnerable areas	positive	positive	positive	None. The policy requires no negative environmental impact and compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive.	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment							
None							
<b>BY-EH-2</b>	None	Unlikely	Unlikely	Unlikely	Unlikely	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment							

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None						
<b>CHAPTER 7</b> BRIDGEND						
<b>Section 7.4</b> Town/Village Centre and N13 Corridor						
<b>Section 7.4.2</b> Town/Village Centre Objectives and Action						
<b>BE-TC-1</b>	None	None	None	None	None	None
<b>BE-TC-2</b>	Lough Swilly SPA, Lough Swilly SAC, Lough Foyle SPA, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	The objective relates to examining options for an alternative strategic road link between Donegal and Derry in the Bridgend area which could impact through habitat loss, disturbance, drainage and ancillary infrastructure such as lighting.	None since the objective per se relates only to an examination of options	None since the objective per se relates only to an examination of options	None since the objective per se relates only to an examination of options	
<b>ACTION 1</b>	Lough Swilly SPA, Lough Swilly SAC, Lough Foyle SPA	The action relates to preparation of a Bridgend Village Centre Enhancement Scheme/N13 Corridor study and will consider possible rerouting of the N13 which could impact through habitat loss, drainage and ancillary infrastructure such as lighting.	None since action relates to study only	None since action relates to study only	None since action relates to study only	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 7.4.3</b> Town/Village Centre Policies						
<b>BE-TC-1</b>	None	None as policy relates to prohibition on certain types of development within the village centre	None	None	None	None
<b>BE-TC-2</b>	None	None since policy relates largely to enhancing the village structure and providing a pedestrian	None	None	None	

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		friendly environment				
<b>BE-TC-3</b>	Lough Swilly SPA, Lough Swilly SAC, Lough Foyle SPA, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	The policy relates to examining options for an alternative strategic road link between Donegal and Derry in the Bridgend area which could impact through habitat loss, disturbance, drainage and ancillary infrastructure such as lighting.	None since the policy per se relates only to an examination of options	None since the policy per se relates only to an examination of options	None since the policy per se relates only to an examination of options	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 7.5</b>	<b>Economic Development</b>					
<b>Section 7.5.2</b>	<b>Economic Development Objectives</b>					
<b>BE-ED-1</b>	Lough Swilly SPA, Lough Swilly SAC, Lough Foyle SPA, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Development of the lands zoned Strategic Economic Development Opportunity Site 1 (SEDOs 1) for strategic economic development in line with objective BE-ED-1 could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as roads, water services, lighting and drainage or through disturbance.	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new roads developments together with the ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed						

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SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 7.5.3</b>	<b>Economic Development Policies</b>					
<b>BE-ED-1</b>	Lough Swilly SPA, Lough Swilly SAC, Lough Foyle SPA, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Development of the lands zoned Strategic Economic Development Opportunity Site 1 (SEDOs 1) for strategic economic development in line with policy BE-ED-1 could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as roads, water services, lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new roads developments together with the ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 7.6</b>	<b>Opportunity Sites</b>					
<b>Section 7.6.2</b>	<b>Opportunity Sites Objectives</b>					
<b>BE-OPP-1</b>	Lough Swilly SPA, Lough Swilly SAC, Lough Foyle SPA, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries	Possible. Development of the sites identified as Opportunity Sites in line with objective BE-OPP-1 could result in impact through requirements for new	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new roads developments together with the ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2,</b>

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	SAC	infrastructure such as roads, water services, lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.			to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	<b>GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
Section 7.6.3	<b>Opportunity Sites Policies</b>					
<b>BE-OPP-1</b> <b>BE-OPP-2</b> <b>BE-OPP-3</b> <b>BE-OPP-4</b>	Lough Swilly SPA, Lough Swilly SAC, Lough Foyle SPA, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Development in line with policies BE-OPP-1 to BE-OPP-4 could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as roads, water services, lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new roads developments together with the ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

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<b>Section 7.8</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services</b>					
<b>Section 7.8.2</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services Objectives</b>					
<b>BE-IS-1</b>	Lough Swilly SPA, Lough Swilly SAC, Lough Foyle SPA	Positive. Upgrading of the Bridgend Sewage Treatment Works and the connection of established residential development will improve receiving water quality.	Positive	Unlikely	Unlikely	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>BE-IS-2</b>	Lough Swilly SPA, Lough Swilly SAC, Lough Foyle SPA, River Finn SAC, River Foyle & Tributaries SAC	Possible. Development in line with objective BE-IS-2 could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as roads, water services, lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new roads developments together with the ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						

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It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>BE-IS-3</b>	Lough Swilly SPA, Lough Foyle SPA	Possible. Improving pedestrian and cycle accessibility throughout the Plan area could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and loss of roosting or feeding areas.	Possible	Unlikely	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 7.8.3</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services Policies</b>					
<b>BE-IS-1</b>	None	None. Improvements to pedestrian facilities in Bridgend are unlikely to impact on any Natura site due	None	None	None	None

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		to location and scale.				
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 7.10</b>	<b>Tourism and Recreation</b>					
<b>Section 7.10.3</b>	<b>Tourism and Recreation Objectives</b>					
<b>BE-TR-1</b>	None	None. Delivery of the section of the Derry-Buncrana Greenway routing through Bridgend will not impact on any site.	None	None	None	None
<b>BE-TR-2</b>	None	None. Delivery of a public park at the location indicated is unlikely to have any impact.	None	None	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 7.10.4</b>	<b>Tourism and Recreation Policies</b>					
<b>BE-TR-1</b>	None	None. Preserving the route of the Derry-Buncrana Greenway will not impact on any site.	None	None	None	None
<b>BE-TR-2</b>	None	None. Preserving the identified area for a public park will not impact on any site.	None	None	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						

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<b>CHAPTER 8</b>	<b>CARNDONAGH</b>					
<b>Section 8.4</b>	Town Centre					
<b>Section 8.4.4</b>	Town Centre Objectives					
<b>CN-TC-1</b> <b>CN-TC-2</b> <b>CN-TC-3</b>	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay SPA, Malin Head SPA	Possible. Continued development of the town centre and renewal in areas in need of regeneration could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting and drainage and through increased emissions and demand for resources	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
<p>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</p> <p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>						

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<b>Section 8.4.5</b>	<b>Town Centre Policies</b>					
<b>CN-TC-1</b> <b>CN-TC-2</b>	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay SPA, Malin Head SPA	Possible. Commercial or retail development within the town centre and at vacant and derelict sites could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting and drainage and through increased emissions and demand for resources	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	These policies are subject to compliance with all other relevant policy provisions of the Local Area Plan.  Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and especially GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 8.5</b>	<b>Economic Development</b>					
<b>Section 8.5.2</b>	<b>Economic Development Objectives</b>					
<b>CN-ED-1</b>	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay SPA, Malin Head SPA	Possible. Economic and tourism development of the town could result in impact	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1,</b>

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		through requirements for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting and drainage and through increased emissions and demand for resources				<b>GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)

Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment

It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in **General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1** and in particular **General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3**, and set out in **General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3**, and especially **GEN-EH-2**, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.

<b>Section 8.5.3 Economic Development Policies</b>						
<b>CN-ED-1</b>	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay SPA, Malin Head SPA	Possible. Commercial development on lands zoned 'Opportunity Sites' could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting and drainage and through increased emissions and demand for resources.	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	This policy expressly requires compliance with the Habitats Directive.  Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b>

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						that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 8.6</b>	<b>Opportunity Sites</b>					
<b>Section 8.6.3</b>	<b>Objectives Relating to Development on Identified Opportunity Sites</b>					
CN-OPP-1	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay SPA, Malin Head SPA	Possible. Economic development on lands identified as Opportunity Sites and at the Barrack Hill Masterplan Site could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting and drainage and through increased emissions and demand for resources	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant						

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conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 8.6.4</b>	<b>Policies Relating to Development on Identified Opportunity Sites</b>					
<b>CN-OPP-1</b> <b>CN-OPP-2</b> <b>CN-OPP-3</b> <b>CN-OPP-4</b> <b>CN-OPP-5</b> <b>CN-OPP-6</b> <b>CN-OPP-7</b>	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay SPA, Malin Head SPA	Possible. Residential development, commercial or tourism-related development on the Opportunity Sites identified could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting and drainage and through increased emissions and demand for resources	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
<p>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</p> <p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and especially GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>						

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<b>Section 8.6.5</b>	<b>Barrack Hill Masterplan Policies</b>					
<b>CN-MP-1</b> <b>CN-MP-2</b> <b>CN-MP-3</b>	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay SPA, Malin Head SPA	Possible. Development (including residential, community uses and light industrial /commercial) within the 'Barrack Hill Opportunity Site' area could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting and drainage and through increased emissions and demand for resources, and through hydromorphological changes	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>CN-MP-4</b>	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay SPA, Malin Head SPA	Unlikely. Preparation of flood risk assessment for developments at the 'Barrack Hill Opportunity Site' is unlikely to impact any Natura site	Unlikely	None	None	None
<b>CN-MP-5</b>	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay	Positive. Requires compliance with all relevant	Positive	None	None	

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	SPA, Malin Head SPA	policies of this Local Area Plan				
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 8.7</b>	<b>Housing</b>					
<b>Section 8.7.3</b>	<b>Housing Objectives</b>					
<b>CN-H-1</b>	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay SPA, Malin Head SPA	Possible. Provision of lands for housing development could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as water services, roads, lighting and drainage and through increased emissions and demand for resources	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 8.8</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services</b>					
<b>Section 8.8.3</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services Objectives</b>					
<b>CN-IS-1</b>	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay	Possible. Construction of the inner relief road could result	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General</b>

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	SPA, Malin Head SPA	in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage and through increased emissions and demand for resources, and hydromorphological change.				<p><b>Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC)</p> <p><b>Objective CN-IS-3</b> also requires explicit compliance with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive.</p>
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>

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<b>Section 8.8.4</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services Policies</b>					
<b>CN-IS-1</b> <b>CN-IS-2</b>	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay SPA, Malin Head SPA	Possible. Construction of the inner relief road at Opportunity Sites 3 and 5 could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage and through increased emissions and demand for resources, and hydromorphological change	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
<b>CN-IS-3</b>	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay SPA, Malin Head SPA	Possible. Provision of vehicular and pedestrian linkages could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage and through increased emissions and demand for resources, and hydromorphological change	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	<b>Objective CN-IS-3</b> also requires explicit compliance with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive.
<p>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</p> <p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and especially GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p><b>Objective CN-IS-3</b> also requires explicit compliance with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive.</p>						
<b>CN-IS-4</b>	North Inishowen Coast	Unlikley. Development of	Unlikely	Unlikely	Unlikely	None

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	SAC, Trawbreaga Bay SPA, Malin Head SPA	Greenways, walking and cycling routes at the scale and locations indicated are unlikely to impact on any Natura site.				
<b>CN-IS-5</b>	North Inishowen Coast SAC, Trawbreaga Bay SPA, Malin Head SPA	Positive. Implementation of Flood Risk Management in line with national guidelines, and implementing SuDS ensures optimum hierarchy of impact prevention and environmental protection	Positivie	None	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 8.9</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage</b>					
<b>Section 8.9.3</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage Objectives</b>					
<b>CN-EH-1 CN-EH-2</b>	All sites in the zone of influence as listed in Table 5.5	Positive. These objectives seek to protect important natural, built and archaeological heritage environments and to maintain, protect, improve and enhance the quality of surface and ground waters.	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						

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<b>Section 8.9.4</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage Policies</b>						
<b>CN-EH-1</b> <b>CN-EH-2</b>	All sites in the zone of influence as listed in Table 5.5	Positive. These objectives seek to protect ground waters by restricting use of proprietary wastewater treatment systems or developments within the Source Protection Areas of the Tirnaleague Aquifer which would give rise to a significant pollution risk or would potentially compromise the water quality within the Tirnaleague Aquifer.	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	
<b>CN-EH-3</b>	All sites in the zone of influence as listed in Table 5.5	Positive. Requirement for hydrogeological studies in the Tirnaleague area will provide an evidence base for Groundwater protection	Positive	Positive	Positive		
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment							
None							
<b>CHAPTER 9</b>	<b>DONEGAL TOWN</b>						
<b>Section 9.4</b>	<b>Town Centre</b>						
<b>Section 9.4.6</b>	<b>Objectives for Town Centre</b>						
<b>DT-TC-1</b>	All sites within the zone of influence as listed in Table 5.6	Possible. Impacts from implementation of this objective may arise where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services or roads infrastructure to cater	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new roads developments together with the ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine to cause unacceptable	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1,</b>	

Policy/ Objective	Natura 2000 That May Be Affected (Name/Code)	Potential Impact of Policy/Objective	Risk of Significant Impact (Y/N)	Potential of Combination Impacts	Risk of Significant Combination Impacts'	Mitigation
		for extension and regeneration.			pressure on a protected site.	<b>GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).

Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment

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**Objective DT-EH-1** also seeks to safeguard the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of 'Visually Vulnerable' zoned areas.

DT-TC-2	None	None. Relates to townscape character	None	None	None	None
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Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment

None

DT-TC-3	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	Potential. Enhancement of walking and cycling routes within the town centre and the delivery of green infrastructure could impact resulting from infrastructure required, changes in hydromorphology or disturbance	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the
DT-TC-4	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. Enhancing traffic and transport infrastructure in order to improve accessibility in the town centre could result in impact due to	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	

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		drainage, lights, disturbance, hydromorphology changes or habitat loss				Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p><b>Objective DT-EH-1</b> also seeks to safeguard the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of 'Visually Vulnerable' zoned areas.</p>						
Section 9.4.7	<b>Policies for Town Centre</b>					
<b>DT- TC-1</b>	None	Unlikely. This policy relates to protecting the character and integrity of the 'Areas of Townscape Character'	None	None	None	None
<b>DT- TC-2</b>	None	None. The policy requires proposals to make provision for 'pedestrian linkages' identified elsewhere	None	None	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						

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<b>DT- TC-3</b> <b>DT- TC-4</b> <b>DT- TC-5</b> <b>DT- TC-6</b>	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. The requirement for new and extended infrastructure including water services, roads, lighting, surface water drainage, associated with development of opportunity sites 4, 5 and 6, and the town centre could result in impact through increased effluents, hydromorphological change, habitat loss and resource demand	Potential	None	None	These policies are expressly conditional on compliance with the Habitats Directive and environmental considerations.  Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Objective DT-EH-1</b> also seeks to safeguard the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of 'Visually Vulnerable' zoned areas.						
<b>Section 9.5</b>	<b>Economic Development</b>					
<b>Section 9.5.3</b>	<b>Economic Development Objectives</b>					
<b>DT-ED-1</b>	All sites within the zone of influence as	Possible. Impacts from implementation of this	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new roads developments together with	Mitigation is provided through <b>General</b>

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	listed in Table 5.6	objective may arise where there is a requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services or roads infrastructure to cater for economic development projects and through habitat loss and hydromorphology impacts			the ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	<b>Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p><b>Objective DT-EH-1</b> also seeks to safeguard the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of 'Visually Vulnerable' zoned areas</p>

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<b>Section 9.5.4</b>	<b>Economic Development Policies</b>					
<b>DT-ED-1</b> <b>DT-ED-2</b> <b>DT-ED-3</b>	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. The requirement for new and extended infrastructure including water services, roads, lighting, surface water drainage, associated with development of opportunity sites 1, 2 and 3 could result in impact through increased effluents, hydromorphological change, habitat loss and resource demand	Potential	None	None	<p>These policies are expressly conditional on compliance with the Habitats Directive and environmental considerations</p> <p>Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).</p>
<p>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</p> <p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p><b>Objective DT-EH-1</b> also seeks to safeguard the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of 'Visually Vulnerable' zoned areas.</p>						

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<b>Section 9.6</b>	<b>Housing</b>					
<b>Section 9.6.3</b>	<b>Housing Objectives</b>					
<b>DT-H-1</b>	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. The requirement for new and extended infrastructure including water services, roads, lighting, surface water drainage, associated with meeting identified housing needs could result in impact through increased effluents, hydromorphological change, habitat loss and increased resource demand	Potential	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Objective DT-EH-1</b> also seeks to safeguard the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of 'Visually Vulnerable' zoned areas.						
<b>Section 9.6.4</b>	<b>Housing Policies</b>					
<b>DT-H-1</b>	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. Provision of the indicative strategic roads required could result in impact through surface water drainage, hydromorphological change, and habitat loss	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1,</b>

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						<b>GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
<b>DT-H-2</b>	Unlikely	Unlikely. The policy restricts the nature of development to prevent impact on existing properties and requires compliance with all other LAP Policies	Unlikely	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p><b>Objective DT-EH-1</b> also seeks to safeguard the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of 'Visually Vulnerable' zoned areas.</p>

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<b>Section 9.7</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services</b>					
<b>Section 9.7.2</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services Objectives</b>					
<b>DT-IS-1</b>	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	Improving traffic and transport accessibility throughout the plan area and opening up lands for development potential could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as bridges, lighting and surface water drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.	Potential	Potential	Yes. For example new roads developments together with ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	Objectives DT-IS-1 AND DT-IS-2 require compliance with the Habitats Directive and other environmental considerations.  Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
<b>DT-IS-2</b>	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	Improved pedestrian and cycle accessibility throughout the plan area could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	
<p>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</p> <p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p><b>Objective DT-EH-1</b> also seeks to safeguard the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of 'Visually Vulnerable' zoned areas.</p>						
<b>DT-IS-3</b>	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona	Provision of car parking and overnight stopping facilities could result in impact through	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1,</b>

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	Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	requirements for new infrastructure such as lighting and surface water drainage.				<b>GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p><b>Objective DT-EH-1</b> also seeks to safeguard the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of 'Visually Vulnerable' zoned areas.</p>						
<b>DT-IS-4</b>	None	Unlikely. Objective refers to protecting carrying capacity of N15 and N56	None	None	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						

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<b>Section 9.7.3</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services Policies</b>					
<b>DT-IS-1</b> <b>DT-IS-2</b> <b>DT-IS-3</b> <b>DT-IS-4</b>	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	Potential. Facilitating future development opportunities through reserving road linkages, and providing walkways and cycleways may result in impact through infrastructure requirements such as bridges, additional roads, drainage, water services, habitat loss and lighting	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new roads developments together with ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	DT-IS-1, DT-IS-2, DT-IS-3 and DT-IS-4 expressly require compliance with the Habitats Directive and other environmental considerations.  Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
<p>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</p> <p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p><b>Objective DT-EH-1</b> also seeks to safeguard the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of 'Visually Vulnerable' zoned areas.</p>						

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<b>Section 9.8</b>	<b>Tourism, Marine and Recreation</b>					
<b>Section 9.8.2</b>	<b>Tourism, Marine and Recreation Objectives</b>					
<b>DT-TMR-1</b> <b>DT-TMR-2</b>	All sites within the zone of influence as listed in Table 5.6	Possible. Development of green infrastructure and tourism facilities may result in impact through infrastructure requirements such as bridges, additional roads, drainage, water services, habitat loss, lighting and disturbance	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new roads developments together with the ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	DT-TMR-1 and DT-TMR-2 expressly require compliance with the Habitats Directive and other environmental considerations.  Mitigation is also provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Objective DT-EH-1</b> also seeks to safeguard the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of 'Visually Vulnerable' zoned areas.						
<b>DT-TMR-3</b>	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough	Possible. Protecting and enhancing the existing built	Possible	None	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General</b>

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	Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	fabric of the town is unlikely to impact on sites in most instances but works in sensitive areas may result in impact through construction activities, altered drainage, hydromorphological change				<b>Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites. <b>Objective DT-EH-1</b> also seeks to safeguard the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of 'Visually Vulnerable' zoned areas.						
Section 9.8.3	<b>Tourism, Marine and Recreation Policies</b>					
<b>DT-TMR-1</b>	All sites within the zone of influence as listed in Table 5.6	Possible. Development of recreational infrastructure and tourism facilities may result in impact through infrastructure requirements such as bridges, additional roads, drainage, water services, habitat loss, lighting and disturbance	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new roads developments together with the ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply
<b>DT-TMR-2</b>	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona	Facilitating pedestrian accessibility could result in impact through requirements	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	

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	Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	for new infrastructure such as lighting and drainage or through disturbance and habitat loss.				with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p> <p><b>Objective DT-EH-1</b> also seeks to safeguard the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of 'Visually Vulnerable' zoned areas.</p>						
DT-TMR-3		Unlikely. Measures restricting development to enhance and integrate effectively in the townscape cited in this policy are not likely to impact	Unlikely	None	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 9.9</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage</b>					
<b>Section 9.9.2</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage Objectives</b>					
DT-EH-1	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	Positive in safeguarding the character, amenity and environmental vulnerability of the area identified	Positive	Positive	Unlikely	None
DT-EH-2	None	Unlikely insofar as the objective relates to heritage-led management of the Areas of Townscape Character	Unlikely	None	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						

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<b>Section 9.9.3</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage Policies</b>					
<b>DT-EH-1</b>	Donegal Bay (Murvagh) SAC, Lough Eske & Ardnamona Wood SAC, Donegal Bay SPA	Positive insofar as the policy requires not significantly restricts interference with important natural vegetation or tree cover, and requires no negative environmental impact	Positive	Positive	Unlikely	None
<b>DT-EH-2</b>	None	Unlikely insofar as the policy relates to protecting and enhancing the character and integrity of the 'Area of Townscape Character'	Unlikely	None	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>CHAPTER 10</b>	<b>KILLYBEGS</b>					
<b>Section 10.4</b>	<b>Town Centre</b>					
<b>Section 10.4.5</b>	<b>Town Centre Objectives</b>					
<b>KB-TC-1</b>	Unlikely	Unlikely. Objective is for integration of the town centre of Killybegs and the adjacent harbour area and storefront. In itself this is unlikely to result in impact	Unlikely	Unlikely	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>KB-TC-2</b>	St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA	Possible. Development of targeted urban areas could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as water services, lighting and drainage.	Possible	Unlikely	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1,</b>

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<b>KB-TC-3</b>	St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA	Possible. Development or regeneration of derelict sites could result in impact through the need for additional infrastructure and resources such as water services, roads, energy demand	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	<b>GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 10.4.6</b>	<b>Town Centre Actions</b>					
<b>KB-A-1</b>	None	None. The action is a commitment to explore development options and as such will not of itself result in impact	None	None	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 10.4.7</b>	<b>Town Centre Policies</b>					
<b>KB-TC-1</b>	Slieve League SAC, St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA, West Donegal Coast SPA, Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. Development of harbour-related, commercial or tourism-related uses on Opportunity Site 1 may result in impact on coastal and marine sites in particular in the zone of influence through infrastructure requirements	Possible	Possible	Tourism and development at other regional sites, especially marine leisure and tourism, could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1,</b>

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		and disturbance				<b>GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
<b>KB-TC-2</b>	St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA	Possible. Development of the town centre could result in impact through the need for additional infrastructure and resources such as water services, roads, energy demand	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>KB-TC-3</b>	None	Unlikely. The policy deals with the enhancement of all Areas of Townscape Character and of itself is unlikely to have any impact	None	None	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>KB-TC-4</b>	St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA	Possible. Development or regeneration of derelict sites could result in impact through the need for additional infrastructure and resources such as water services, roads, energy demand	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that

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						development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).

Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment

It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in **General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1** and in particular **General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3**, and set out in **General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3**, and especially **GEN-EH-2**, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.

Section 10.5	Economic Development					
Section 10.5.3	Economic Development Objectives					
<b>KB-ED-1</b>	All sites within the zone of influence as listed in Table 5.7	Possible. Enhancing the role of Killybegs as a centre of fleet activity, processing and ancillary services and facilitating diversification could result in impact through the need for additional infrastructure and resources such as water services, roads, energy demand, hydromorphological changes, disturbance, introduction of invasive alien species	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new roads developments together with the ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).

Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment

It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in **General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1** and in particular **General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3**, and set out in **General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3**, and especially **GEN-EH-2**, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed

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SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 10.5.4</b>	<b>Economic Development Policies</b>					
<b>KB-ED-1</b> <b>KB-ED-2</b> <b>KB-ED-3</b>	All sites within the zone of influence as listed in Table 5.7	Possible. Development of zoned lands and harbour facilities could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as water services, lighting, drainage and energy demand, hydromorphological changes, disturbance, introduction of invasive alien species	Possible	Possible	Yes. For example new roads developments together with the ancillary infrastructure required and increased development could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site.	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>KB-ED-4</b>	St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA	Unlikely. Residential, commercial or light industrial development on Opportunity Site 5 could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure. However given the scale and location of the site impact is	Unlikely	None	None	None

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		considered unlikely.				
<b>KB-ED-5</b>	St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA	Unlikely. Use of Opportunity Site 6 as a facility for mobile homes/touring caravans/camping could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure. However given the scale and location of the site impact is considered unlikely	Unlikely	None	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>KB-ED-6</b>	St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA	Possible. Commercial and light industrial development on Opportunity Site 7 could result in impact through requirements for new infrastructure such as water services, lighting, drainage and energy demand	Possible	Unlikely	Unlikely	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect						

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important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 10.6</b>	<b>Housing</b>					
<b>Section 10.6.3</b>	<b>Housing Objectives</b>					
<b>KB-H-1</b>	St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA	Possible. Development of housing lands could impact through requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage	Possible	None	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						

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<b>Section 10.6.4</b>	<b>Housing Policies</b>					
<b>KB-H-1</b> <b>KB-H-2</b> <b>KB-H-3</b>	St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA	Possible. Development of lands zoned for housing could impact through requirement to provide for new infrastructure such as water services, roads or footpaths and associated lighting and drainage	Possible	None	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and especially GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>Section 10.7</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services</b>					
<b>Section 10.7.3</b>	<b>Infrastructure and Services Objectives</b>					
<b>KB-IS-1</b>	St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA	Possible. Improving traffic and transport accessibility throughout the plan area could impact through requirement to provide for new infrastructure including roads or footpaths and associated lighting and	Possible	None	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3,</b>

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		drainage				<b>GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b> , and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b> , and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b> , that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.						
<b>KB- IS -2</b>	None	Unlikely. The objective relates to exploring opportunities for car parking to serve the town centre and of itself is unlikely to result in any impact	None	None	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 10.7.4 Infrastructure and Services Policies</b>						
<b>KB- IS -1</b>	St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA	Possible. Construction of an Outer Relief Road could impact through requirement to provide for new infrastructure including associated lighting and surface water drainage	Possible	Unlikely	None	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b>

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						that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>						
<b>KB- IS -2</b>	St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA	Unlikely. Provision of car and coach parking adjacent to the Harbour area is unlikely to result in impact	Unlikely	None	None	None
<b>KB- IS -3</b>	None	Unlikely. Road widening at the locations and scale indicated is not likely to impact on any site	Unlikely	None	None	
<b>KB- IS -4</b>	None	Unlikely. Provision of suitably designed pedestrian walkways and cycleways at the locations and scale identified is not likely to impact on any site	Unlikely	None	None	
<b>KB- IS -5</b>	None	None. Relates to restrictions on vehicle access	None	None	None	
<b>KB- IS -6</b>	None	Unlikely. Road widening and pedestrian access provision along the Roshine Rd is not likely to impact on any site	Unlikely	None	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						

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<b>Section 10.8</b>	<b>Tourism, Marine and Recreation</b>					
<b>Section 10.8.2</b>	<b>Tourism, Marine and Recreation Objectives</b>					
<b>KB-TMR-1</b>	Slieve League SAC, St John's Point SAC, Inishduff SPA, West Donegal Coast SPA, Donegal Bay SPA	Possible. Development of harbour-related, commercial or tourism-related uses on Opportunity Site 1 may result in impact on coastal and marine sites in particular in the zone of influence through infrastructure requirements and disturbance	Possible	Possible	Tourism and development at other regional sites, especially marine leisure and tourism, could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
<p>Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment</p> <p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>						

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<b>Section 10.8.3</b>	<b>Tourism, Marine and Recreation Policies</b>					
<b>KB-TMR-1</b> <b>KB-TMR-2</b>	All sites within the zone of influence as listed in Table 5.7	Possible. Development of the cruise ship market in Killybegs, including berthing facilities, visitor infrastructure and the ancillary tourist economy could result in impact on sites in the zone of influence, particularly coastal and marine sites through infrastructure requirements, disturbance, introduction of alien species, and possibly dredging requirements	Possible	Possible	Tourism and development at other regional sites, especially marine leisure and tourism, could combine to cause unacceptable pressure on a protected site	Mitigation is provided through <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1, General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3; General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3, and GEN-EH-2</b> that require that development shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC).
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
						<p>It is an over-riding objective of this LAP, as stated in <b>General Objectives GEN-ED-1, GEN-H-1</b> and in particular <b>General Objectives GEN-EH-2, GEN-EH-3</b>, and set out in <b>General Policies GEN-ED-1, GEN-ED-2, GEN-ED-3, GEN-ED-4, GEN-ED-5, , GEN-H-1, GEN-H-2, GEN-H-3</b>, and especially <b>GEN-EH-2</b>, that economic, commercial and residential development, and development in general shall comply with Article 6 of the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and have regard to the relevant conservation objectives, management plans, qualifying interests and threats to the integrity of Natura 2000 sites, that the conservation value of all existing and/or proposed SACs, SPAs, including those plant and animal species that have been identified for protection under the EU Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC), EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC as amended by 2009/147/EC), the Wildlife Acts (1976-2014) and the Flora Protection Order (2015), be maintained, and that proposed development would not adversely affect important features of the natural heritage including Natura 2000 sites.</p>
<b>KB-TMR-3</b>	None	Unlikely. The development of a regional tourist office at a location in the town centre or near the harbour is unlikely to impact on any site	Unlikely	None	None	None
<b>KB-TMR-4</b>	None	None. Use of neighbourhood, community woodland and native woodland schemes in the plan area is unlikely to	None	None	None	

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		impact on any site but could have positive effects on water quality if used in riparian settings				
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 10.9</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage</b>					
<b>Section 10.9.2</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage Objectives</b>					
<b>KB-EH-1</b>	None	Positive	Positive	None	None	None
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						
<b>Section 10.9.3</b>	<b>Environment and Heritage Policies</b>					
<b>KB-EH-1</b>	None	None. The policy relates to protecting Zones of Archaeological Potential located within Killybegs	None	None	None	None
<b>KB-EH-2</b>	None	None. The policy relates to preserving existing views over Killybegs Harbour from the Regional Road R263	None	None	None	
Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Mitigation/Policy Deletion OR Amendment						
None						