ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Environmental assessments of the Fingal Development Plan 2023-2029 are a crucial element of the process, assessing the potential environmental impacts of the implementation of policies and objectives.

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) aims to provide a high level of protection to the environment and to promote sustainable development by contributing to the integration of environmental considerations into the preparation and adoption of the Development Plan. EU Directive 2001/42/EC sets out the provisions in relation to Strategic Environmental Assessment.

Appropriate Assessment (AA) is an assessment carried out in accordance with Article 6(3) and 6(4) of the EU Habitats Directive 92/43/ EEC of the implications of the plan, either individually or in combination with other plans and projects, on protected conservation sites (Natura 2000 sites).

The Development Plan can only be adopted if it will not adversely affect the integrity of a Natura 2000 Site.

A Strategic Flood Risk Assessment will provide an assessment of all types of flood risk within the county and will assist in making informed strategic land-use planning decisions and formulate flood risk policies.

Reports in relation to all of the above assessments will be available for public inspection in conjunction with the Draft Development Plan.





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