

**Habitats Directive Assessment, Screening Report
for Cork County Draft Local Economic and Community Plan
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1 Introduction

1.1 Context

Cork County Council is in the process of preparing the first Local Economic and Community Plan for the County. This is a high level strategic plan which will provide the overarching spatial framework for management of socio-economic development within the County of Cork. The plan identifies key socio-economic assets of the county and sets out goals and actions to facilitate the enhancement of those assets over the coming years. It is envisaged that this plan will inform the development of more specific action plans to include site specific projects relating to the assets identified within the plan in the coming years.

In accordance with requirements under the EU Habitats Directive (43/92/EEC) and EU Birds Directive (79/409/EEC) as provided for in the Birds and Natural Habitats Regulations (SI 477 of 2011), the impacts of the policies and objectives of all statutory land use plans on certain sites that are designated for the protection of nature (Natura 2000 sites¹), must be assessed as an integral part of the process of drafting of the plan. This is to determine whether or not the implementation of plan policies could have negative consequences for the habitats or plant and animal species for which these sites are designated. This assessment process is called a Habitats Directive Assessment (HDA) and must be carried out at all stages of the plan making process.

1.2 Legislative Background Habitats Directive Assessment

Habitats Directive Assessment is an iterative process which runs parallel to and informs the plan making process. It involves analysis and review of draft policies as they emerge during each stage of plan making, to ensure that their implementation will not impact on sites designated for nature conservation, nor on the habitats or species for which they are designated. Within this process, regard is had to the potential for objectives and actions of the plan to contribute to impacts which on their own may be acceptable, but which could be significant when considered in combination with the impacts arising from the implementation of other plans, programmes or policies.

The process may result in the development of new policy areas and/or the modification or removal of certain policies to be presented in the final plan. The results of this analysis and review are presented in Habitats Directive Reports which are produced for each iteration of plan and its policies. At the end of the plan making process, an Appropriate Assessment Conclusion Statement will be produced which will contain a summary of how ecological considerations in relation to Natura 2000 sites have been integrated into the plan. The final Habitats Directive

¹ Natura 2000 sites include Special Areas of Conservation designated under the Habitats Directive and Special Protection Areas designated under the Birds Directive. Special Areas of Conservation are sites that are protected because they support particular habitats and/or plant and animal species that have been identified to be threatened at EU community level. Special Protection Areas are sites that are protected for the conservation of species of birds that are in danger of extinction, or are rare or vulnerable. Special Protection Areas may also be sites that are particularly important for migratory birds. Such sites include internationally important wetlands.

Report and a declaration in relation to the potential for the plan to affect the integrity of Natura 2000 sites within its potential impact zone will also be produced at that time.

Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive identifies what is required in terms of assessment of plans of projects.

Habitats Directive Article 6(3)

Any plan or project not directly connected with or necessary to the management of the site but likely to have a significant effect thereon, either individually or in combination with other plans or projects, shall be subject to appropriate assessment of its implications for the site in view of the site's conservation objectives. In the 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.

EU and National Guidance sets out two main stages to the assessment process which are as follows:

Stage One: Screening

The process which identifies what might be likely impacts arising from a plan on a Natura 2000 site, either alone or in combination with other projects or plans, and considers whether these impacts are likely to be significant. No further assessment is required if no significant impacts on Natura 2000 sites are identified during the screening stage. The screening assessment is normally contained in a **Habitats Directive Screening Report**.

Stage Two: Appropriate Assessment

Where the possibility of significant impacts has not been discounted by the screening process, a more detailed assessment is required. This is called an Appropriate Assessment and involves the compilation of a **Natura Impact Report** by the Planning Authority which is a report of scientific evidence and data relating to European sites for which significant negative impacts have not been previously screened out. This is used to identify and classify any implications of the plan for these sites in view of their conservation objectives. The appropriate assessment must include a determination as to whether or not the plan or its proposed amendments would adversely affect the integrity of any European site or sites. The plan may be adopted if adverse effects on the integrity of European sites can be ruled out during the appropriate assessment process. The plan may not be adopted on foot of an Appropriate Assessment, if it is found that it will give rise to adverse impacts on one or more European sites, or if uncertainty remains in relation to potential impacts on one or more European sites following appropriate assessment.

The Directive provides for a derogation procedure which can allow a plan or project to proceed in spite of a finding that the plan or project could / would give rise to adverse effects on the

overall integrity of one or more Natura 2000 sites. Derogation procedures can only be progressed in very limited circumstances which are set out in Article 6(4) of the Directive (see below).

Habitats Directive Article 6(4)

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, the Member State shall take all compensatory measures necessary to ensure that the overall coherence of Natura 2000 is protected. It shall inform the Commission of the compensatory measures adopted.

EU and National Guidance identifies the procedures which must be followed in circumstances where a derogation from the Habitats Directive is sought to allow a project or a plan to proceed, despite a finding that it will give rise to adverse effects on the integrity of one or more Natura 2000 sites. These procedures can only be invoked where it has been shown that there are no alternative ways to implement the plan/project which avoid adverse effects on the integrity of one or more European sites, where it has been demonstrated that there are imperative reasons of overriding public interest for which the plan/project must proceed and where measures have been developed and provided to compensate for any losses to be incurred. These further stages are described below.

Stage Three: Assessment of alternative solutions

In circumstances where the potential for a plan to give rise to adverse effects on the integrity of a European site or sites has not been ruled out during the appropriate assessment process, it can only be considered for authorisation where it is demonstrated that there are no alternative solutions and that there are imperative reasons of overriding public interest which can allow the plan or project to proceed. Stage three of a Habitats Directive Assessment involves the assessment of alternative solutions.

Stage Four: Assessment where no alternative solutions exist and where adverse impacts remain

The fourth stage of the Habitats Directive Assessment process involves demonstrating that imperative reasons of overriding public interest exist, and the assessment of the compensatory measures which are proposed to be implemented. In every case in which a local authority envisages approving or proceeding with a plan or project on grounds of IROPI, the Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht must be consulted.

The assessment may stop at any of the above stages if significant impacts on Natura 2000 sites can be ruled out.

1.3 Habitats Directive Screening Report for draft LECP

This document represents the first phase of the Habitats Directive Assessment process for the draft County Local Economic and Community Plan. While this is a high level strategic plan, some of the actions and goals contained in the plan are intended to influence socio-economic development within the County and will be likely to influence how environmental resources of the county are developed and managed into the future. The goals and actions contained in this draft plan have been assessed to determine whether they could have the potential to give rise to negative impacts on Natura 2000 sites within the potential impact zone of the plan, and where potential conflicts with such sites are identified, modifications are recommended to be made to these goals and actions to ensure that they are compatible with the requirements of the Birds and Habitats Directive.

2 How this Report Was Prepared

2.1 Working Methods

The approach taken in the making of this assessment follows *European Communities, 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, 2002*, and on *Local Government and Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland, Guidance for Planning Authorities, 2009*.

The draft Local Economic and Community Plan was written by a team of planners based in the Planning Policy Unit of Cork County Council. The draft plan has been underpinned by a period of public consultation, which involved individuals, organisations, stakeholders and delivery agencies. Consultation was facilitated within both the economic and community spheres, as well as within the public and private sectors.

The initial public consultation stage for the LECP took place from 2nd June to the 10th of July 2015, and was stimulated via press advertisement and notifications to statutory and non-statutory bodies / groups. Four separate day conferences (community and economic) and four additional public information evenings were held in order to provide an opportunity for members of the public and organisations to learn about the LECP process, to highlight some of the strategic issues facing the county and facilitate feedback from the public about issues they felt should be taken into account in the preparation of the draft LECP. Over 180 persons attended these events. In addition, a presentation was provided for statutory bodies and three economic-focussed breakfast conferences were held, in order to facilitate interaction with economic stakeholders within the region. A total of 92 representatives from a wide range of sectors attended these events. In addition to the informal feedback received at the various consultation events, 104 formal submissions were received during this first consultation phase.

The draft plan, having absorbed the findings of the first consultation process, is now subject to a second public consultation (current phase) running from April 18th to May 12th.

The draft plan has been advertised, circulated to statutory and non-statutory bodies and is also available online. The final plan draft will absorb the inputs from this second consultation period.

This report for the draft plan was written by Cork County Councils Ecology Team. While the draft LECP is a high level strategic plan and does not identify specific projects in particular locations, attention was given to the objectives and actions set out in the plan which promote increases in population targets, intensification of development, provision of infrastructural resources and the intensification of development of renewable energy sources within the county to determine whether these objectives could potentially have implications for the Natura 2000 network.

2.2 Consultation

This report, with the draft County Development Plan and the Environmental Report is available for consideration by the general public, and has been referred to all statutory consultees during the public consultation phase dates.

2.3 Data Sources, Gaps and Limitations

The information contained in this report is based on a desktop review of information relating to these sites and to the habitats and species that they support. References and data used are cited in the back of this report.

3 Draft Plan Screening

3.1 Screening Methodology

EU Guidelines (2001) set out a process for screening landuse plans, which involves four main steps as follows:

- a) Provide a description of the receiving environment.
- b) Provide a description of the proposed plan.
- c) Identify relevant Natura 2000 sites, and compile information on their qualifying interests and conservation objectives.
- d) Identify the potential effects of the plan on the identified Natura 2000 sites.
- e) Assess of the significance of any effects on identified Natura 2000 sites, having regard to potential for 'in combination' effects.

This process is applied to all proposed plans or projects except those which are directly connected with the necessary management of a Natura 2000 site or sites. This report follows the steps set out above.

3.2 Description of the draft Plan

The *Local Economic and Community Plan (LECP)* is provided for in the statutory *Local Government Reform Act 2014* and the subsequent *Local Economic and Community Guidelines 2015*. This Act requires that a six-year plan be adopted by Cork County Council, setting out high level goals, objectives and actions required to promote and support local economic and community development within the county.

The approach taken by Cork County Council seeks to absorb and reflect the breadth and complexity of modern life. Furthermore, the draft LECP seeks to stimulate a process that will provide opportunities for individuals and organisations to fulfil their ambitions - whether personal, economic or social. Places and societies that best provide for those ambitions, within a sustainable framework, are the places where people want to live and work. In turn, places where people want to live are the places that become socially and economically relevant.

In terms of outputs, the draft LECP identifies:

- 30 Key Assets that underpin Cork's community and economic performance
- 204 actions under these key asset headings
- Assets Management Groups and a Co-Ordination Group to be formed to protect, progress, co-ordinate and monitor the performance of each key asset

3.3 Natura 2000 Sites Within the Potential Impact Zone of the Plan

The draft LECP covers Cork County excluding the administrative area of the City. The County hosts a diverse range of ecosystem types, including marine, freshwater and terrestrial ecosystems, reflecting its geographical position on the southern coast of the country, its geology which is dominated by sandstone ridges and limestone valley floors, and the influence of the people who have settled here. The county supports thirty sites which have been designated, or proposed for designation as Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) under the Habitats Directive, and a further ten sites which have been designated as Special Protection Areas (SPAs) under the Birds Directive. This report focuses on these sites, and their locations are shown on Map 1. Regard has also been had to sites occurring in adjacent counties within 15km of the Co. Cork border. A total of ten SACs, and two SPAs that are located within 15km of Co. Cork have been identified for assessment in this report. These are listed in **Table 1** below.

Map 1 Boundary of Cork County Identifying Special Areas of Conservation and Special Protection Areas within the County and Within 15km of the County

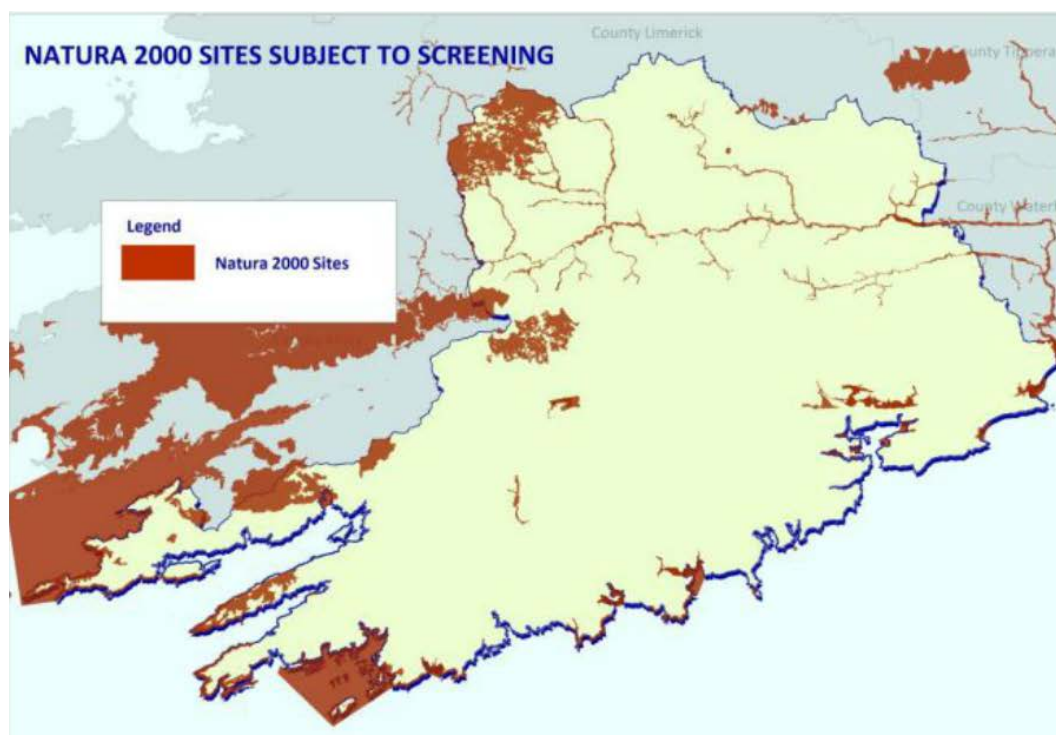


Table 1 sets out the Natura 2000 sites which are subject to screening in this report. It includes all Natura 2000 sites within the plan boundary area and Natura 2000 sites within 15km of the plan boundary. The habitats and species for which these sites are designated are also listed in Table 1 as are their Conservation Objectives. The potential for Natura 2000 sites that are >15km from the plan boundary area to be affected by policies set out in the draft plan was also considered. This could include sites which are hydrologically connected to watercourses or water bodies within the plan boundary area. No such sites were identified.

Table 1 Natura 2000 Sites Subject to Screening

Site Code	Site Name	Qualifying Interests	Conservation Objectives
0077	Ballymacoda (Clonpriest and Pillmore) SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Estuaries [1130] • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140] • Salicornia and other annuals 	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following habitats for which the Ballymacoda (Clonpriest and Pillmore) SAC is designated:

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		<p>colonising mud and sand [1310]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atlantic salt meadows (Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritimae) [1330] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Estuaries; • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide • Atlantic salt meadows (Glauco-Puccinellietalia) <p>and</p> <p>to restore the favourable conservation condition of the following habitats for which the Ballymacoda (Clonpriest and Pillmore) SAC is designated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand <p>which are defined by attributes and targets set out in NPWS Conservation Objectives for Ballymacoda (Clonpriest and Pillmore) 15 Feb 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
0090	Glengarriff Harbour and Woodland SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles [91A0] • Alluvial forests with Alnus glutinosa and Fraxinus excelsior (Alno-Padion, Alnion incanae, Salicion albae) [91E0] • Geomalacus maculosus (Kerry Slug) [1024] • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] • Phoca vitulina (Common Seal) [1365] 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following habitats and species for which the Glengarriff Harbour and Woodland SAC is designated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles; • Alluvial forests with Alnus glutinosa and Fraxinus excelsior (Alno-Padion, Alnion incanae, Salicion albae) [91E0]; • Geomalacus maculosus (Kerry

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			<p>Slug) [1024];</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303]; • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355]; and • Phoca vitulina (Common Seal) [1365] <p>which are defined by attributes and targets set out in NPWS Conservation Objectives for Glengarriff Harbour and Woodland SAC 11 May 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
0091	Clonakilty Bay SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140] • Annual vegetation of drift lines [1210] • Embryonic shifting dunes [2110] • Shifting dunes along the shoreline with Ammophila arenaria (white dunes) [2120] • Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes) [2130] • Atlantic decalcified fixed dunes (Calluno-Ulicetea) [2150] 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following habitats for which the Clonakilty Bay SAC is designated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140]; • Annual vegetation of drift lines [1210]; • Embryonic shifting dunes [2110]; • Shifting dunes along the shoreline with Ammophila arenaria (white dunes) [2120]; • Atlantic decalcified fixed dunes (Calluno-Ulicetea) [2150]; <p>and to restore the favourable conservation condition of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes) [2130] <p>which are defined by attributes</p>

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			and targets set out in NPWS Conservation Objectives for Clonakilty Bay SAC 27 May 2014 available at www.NPWS.ie
0093	Caha Mountains SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oligotrophic to mesotrophic standing waters with vegetation of the Littorelletea uniflorae and/or Isoeto-Nanojuncetea [3130] • Natural dystrophic lakes and ponds [3160] • Northern Atlantic wet heaths with Erica tetralix [4010] • Alpine and Boreal heaths [4060] • Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] • Siliceous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation [8220] • Geomalacus maculosus (Kerry Slug) [1024] • Trichomanes speciosum (Killarney Fern) [1421] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or Annex II species for which the SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oligotrophic to mesotrophic standing waters with vegetation of the Littorelletea uniflorae and/or Isoeto-Nanojuncetea [3130] • Natural dystrophic lakes and ponds [3160] • Northern Atlantic wet heaths with Erica tetralix [4010] • Alpine and Boreal heaths [4060] • Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] • Siliceous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation [8220] • Geomalacus maculosus (Kerry Slug) [1024] • Trichomanes speciosum (Killarney Fern) [1421] <p>which are set out in NPWS Conservation Objectives for Caha Mountains SAC Feb 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>

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Site Code	Site Name	Qualifying Interests	Conservation Objectives
0097	Lough Hyne Nature Reserve & Environs SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large shallow inlets and bays [1160] • Reefs [1170] • Submerged or partially submerged sea caves [8330] 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following habitats for which the Lough Hyne Nature Reserve and Environs SAC is designated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large shallow inlets and bays [1160] • Reefs [1170] • Submerged or partially submerged sea caves [8330] <p>which are defined by attributes and targets set out in Conservation Objectives for Lough Hyne Nature Reserve and Environs SAC Aug 19 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
0101	Roaringwater Bay and Islands SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large shallow inlets and bays [1160] • Reefs [1170] • Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts [1230] • European dry heaths [4030] • Submerged or partially submerged sea caves [8330] • Phocoena phocoena (Harbour Porpoise) [1351] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] • Halichoerus grypus (Grey Seal) [1364] 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following habitats and species for which the Roaringwater Bay and Islands SAC is designated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large shallow inlets and bays [1160]; • Reefs [1170]; • Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts [1230]; • European dry heaths [4030]; • Submerged or partially submerged sea caves [8330]; • Phocoena phocoena (Harbour Porpoise) [1351]; • Halichoerus grypus (Grey Seal) [1364]; <p>and to restore the favourable</p>

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			<p>conservation condition of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] <p>which are defined by attributes and targets set out in Conservation Objectives for Roaringwater Bay and Islands SAC July 19 2011 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
0102	Sheep's Head SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northern Atlantic wet heaths with Erica tetralix [4010] • European dry heaths [4030] • Geomalacus maculosus (Kerry Slug) [1024] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northern Atlantic wet heaths with Erica tetralix [4010] • European dry heaths [4030] • Geomalacus maculosus (Kerry Slug) [1024] <p>as set out in Conservation Objectives for the Sheep's Head SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
0106	St. Gobnet's Wood SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles [91A0] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles [91A0]

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			as set out in Conservation Objectives for St. Gobnet's Wood SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie
0108	The Gearagh SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water courses of plain to montane levels with the Ranunculion fluitantis and Callitricho-Batrachion vegetation [3260] • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles [91A0] • Alluvial forests with Alnus glutinosa and Fraxinus excelsior (Alno-Padion, Alnion incanae, Salicion albae) [91E0] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water courses of plain to montane levels with the Ranunculion fluitantis and Callitricho-Batrachion vegetation [3260] • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles [91A0] • Alluvial forests with Alnus glutinosa and Fraxinus excelsior (Alno-Padion, Alnion incanae, Salicion albae) [91E0] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] <p>as set out in Conservation Objectives for the Gearagh SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
0109	Three Castle Head to Mizen Head SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts [1230] • European dry heaths [4030] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts

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			<p>[1230]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European dry heaths [4030] <p>as set out in Conservation Objectives for Three Castle Head to Mizen Head SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
0353	Old Domestic Buildings, Dromore SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] <p>as set out in Conservation Objectives for Old Domestic Buildings, Dromore SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
0364	Kilgarvan Ice House SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] <p>as set out in Conservation Objectives Kilgarvan Ice House SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>

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0365	Killarney National Park, Magillicuddy Reeks and Caragh River Catchment SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oligotrophic waters containing very few minerals of sandy plains (Littorelletalia uniflorae) [3110] • Oligotrophic to mesotrophic standing waters with vegetation of the Littorelletea uniflorae and/or Isoeto-Nanojuncetea [3130] • Water courses of plain to montane levels with the Ranunculion fluitantis and Callitricho-Batrachion vegetation [3260] • Northern Atlantic wet heaths with Erica tetralix [4010] • European dry heaths [4030] • Alpine and Boreal heaths [4060] • Juniperus communis formations on heaths or calcareous grasslands [5130] • Calaminarian grasslands of the Violetalia calaminariae [6130] • Molinia meadows on calcareous, peaty or clayey-silt-laden soils (Molinion caeruleae) [6410] • Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] • Depressions on peat substrates of the Rhynchosporion [7150] • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles [91A0] • Alluvial forests with Alnus glutinosa and Fraxinus excelsior (Alno-Padion, Alnion incanae, Salicion albae) [91E0] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oligotrophic waters containing very few minerals of sandy plains (Littorelletalia uniflorae) [3110] • Oligotrophic to mesotrophic standing waters with vegetation of the Littorelletea uniflorae and/or Isoeto-Nanojuncetea [3130] • Water courses of plain to montane levels with the Ranunculion fluitantis and Callitricho-Batrachion vegetation [3260] • Northern Atlantic wet heaths with Erica tetralix [4010] • European dry heaths [4030] • Alpine and Boreal heaths [4060] • Juniperus communis formations on heaths or calcareous grasslands [5130] • Calaminarian grasslands of the Violetalia calaminariae [6130] • Molinia meadows on calcareous, peaty or clayey-silt-laden soils (Molinion caeruleae) [6410] • Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] • Depressions on peat substrates of the Rhynchosporion [7150] • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taxus baccata woods of the British Isles [91J0] • Geomalacus maculosus (Kerry Slug) [1024] • Margaritifera margaritifera (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029] • Euphydrias aurinia (Marsh Fritillary) [1065] • Petromyzon marinus (Sea Lamprey) [1095] • Lampetra planeri (Brook Lamprey) [1096] • Lampetra fluviatilis (River Lamprey) [1099] • Salmo salar (Salmon) [1106] • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] • Trichomanes speciosum (Killarney Fern) [1421] • Najas flexilis (Slender Naiad) [1833] • Alosa fallax killarnensis (Killarney Shad) [5046] 	<p>and Blechnum in the British Isles [91A0]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alluvial forests with Alnus glutinosa and Fraxinus excelsior (Alno-Padion, Alnion incanae, Salicion albae) [91E0] • Taxus baccata woods of the British Isles [91J0] • Geomalacus maculosus (Kerry Slug) [1024] • Margaritifera margaritifera (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029] • Euphydrias aurinia (Marsh Fritillary) [1065] • Petromyzon marinus (Sea Lamprey) [1095] • Lampetra planeri (Brook Lamprey) [1096] • Lampetra fluviatilis (River Lamprey) [1099] • Salmo salar (Salmon) [1106] • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] • Trichomanes speciosum (Killarney Fern) [1421] • Najas flexilis (Slender Naiad) [1833] • Alosa fallax killarnensis (Killarney Shad) [5046] <p>as set out in Killarney National Park, Magillicuddy Reeks and Caragh River Catchment SAC Conservation Objectives February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
0646	Galtee Mountains	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European dry heaths [4030] 	To maintain or restore the

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	SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alpine and Boreal heaths [4060] • Species-rich Nardus grasslands, on siliceous substrates in mountain areas (and submountain areas, in Continental Europe) [6230] • Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] • Calcareous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation [8210] • Siliceous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation [8220] 	<p>favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European dry heaths [4030] • Alpine and Boreal heaths [4060] • Species-rich Nardus grasslands, on siliceous substrates in mountain areas (and submountain areas, in Continental Europe) [6230] • Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] • Calcareous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation [8210] • Siliceous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation [8220] <p>as set out in Galtee Mountains SAC Conservation Objectives February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
1040	Barley Cove to Ballyrisode Point SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140] • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] • Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand [1310] • Atlantic salt meadows (Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima) [1330] 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following habitats for which the Barley Cove to Ballyrisode SAC is designated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140] • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220]

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Site Code	Site Name	Qualifying Interests	Conservation Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mediterranean salt meadows (Juncetalia maritimi) [1410] • Shifting dunes along the shoreline with Ammophila arenaria (white dunes) [2120] • Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes) [2130] • European dry heaths [4030] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand [1310] • European dry heaths [4030] <p>and to restore the favourable conservation condition of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atlantic salt meadows (Glaucopuccinellietalia maritimae) [1330] • Mediterranean salt meadows (Juncetalia maritimi) [1410] • Shifting dunes along the shoreline with Ammophila arenaria (white dunes) [2120] • Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes) [2130] <p>which are defined by attributes and targets set out in Conservation Objectives for the Barley Cove to Ballyrisode SAC Sept 2nd 2014 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
1043	Cleanderry Wood SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles [91A0] • Trichomanes speciosum (Killarney Fern) [1421] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles [91A0] • Trichomanes speciosum (Killarney Fern) [1421]

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			as set out in Cleanderry Wood SAC Conservation Objectives February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie
1058	Great Island Channel SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140] • Atlantic salt meadows (<i>Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima</i>) [1330] 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following habitats for which the Barley Cove to Ballyrisode SAC is designated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140] <p>and to restore the favourable conservation condition of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atlantic salt meadows (<i>Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima</i>) [1330] <p>which are defined by attributes and targets set out in Conservation Objectives for the Great Island Channel SAC June 6 2014 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
1061	Kilkeran Lake and Castlefreke Dunes SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coastal lagoons [1150]* • Embryonic shifting dunes [2110] • Shifting dunes along the shoreline with <i>Ammophila arenaria</i> (white dunes) [2120] • Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes) [2130] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coastal lagoons [1150]* • Embryonic shifting dunes [2110] • Shifting dunes along the

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			<p>shoreline with <i>Ammophila arenaria</i> (white dunes) [2120]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes) [2130] <p>as set out in Kilkeran Lake and Castlefreke Dunes SAC Conservation Objectives February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
1070	Myross Wood SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Trichomanes speciosum</i> (Killarney Fern) [1421] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Trichomanes speciosum</i> (Killarney Fern) [1421] <p>as set out in Conservation Objectives for Myross Wood February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
1230	Courtmacsherry Estuary SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Estuaries [1130] • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140] • Annual vegetation of drift lines [1210] • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] • <i>Salicornia</i> and other annuals colonising mud and sand [1310] • Atlantic salt meadows (<i>Glauco-Puccinellietalia</i> 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following habitats for which the Barley Cove to Ballyrisode SAC is designated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Estuaries [1130] • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140] • Annual vegetation of drift lines [1210] • Perennial vegetation of stony

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		<p>maritimae) [1330]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mediterranean salt meadows (Juncetalia maritimi) [1410] • Embryonic shifting dunes [2110] • Shifting dunes along the shoreline with Ammophila arenaria (white dunes) [2120] • Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes) [2130] 	<p>banks [1220]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mediterranean salt meadows (Juncetalia maritimi) [1410] • Embryonic shifting dunes [2110] • Shifting dunes along the shoreline with Ammophila arenaria (white dunes) [2120] • Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes) [2130] <p>and to restore the favourable conservation condition of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand [1310] • Atlantic salt meadows (Glaucopuccinellietalia maritimae) [1330] <p>which are defined by attributes and targets set out in Conservation Objectives for Courtmacsherry Estuary SAC July 9 2014 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
1547	Castletownshend SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trichomanes speciosum (Killarney Fern) [1421] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trichomanes speciosum (Killarney Fern) [1421] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Castletownshend SAC February 13 2015 available</p>

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			at www.NPWS.ie
1873	Derryclogher (Knockboy) Bog SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Derryclogher (Knockboy) Bog SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
1879	Glanmore Bog SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oligotrophic waters containing very few minerals of sandy plains (<i>Littorelletalia uniflorae</i>) [3110] Water courses of plain to montane levels with the <i>Ranunculus fluitans</i> and <i>Callitriche-Batrachion</i> vegetation [3260] Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i> [4010] Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] <i>Margaritifera margaritifera</i> (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029] <i>Trichomanes speciosum</i> (Killarney Fern) [1421] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oligotrophic waters containing very few minerals of sandy plains (<i>Littorelletalia uniflorae</i>) [3110] Water courses of plain to montane levels with the <i>Ranunculus fluitans</i> and <i>Callitriche-Batrachion</i> vegetation [3260] Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i> [4010] Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] <i>Margaritifera margaritifera</i> (Freshwater Pearl Mussel)

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			<p>[1029]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trichomanes speciosum (Killarney Fern) [1421] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Glanmore Bog SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
1881	Maulagowna Bog SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Maulagowna Bog SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
1890	Mullaghanish Bog SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Mullaghanish Bog SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>

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2036	Ballyhoura Mountains SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i> [4010] European dry heaths [4030] Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Northern Atlantic wet heaths with <i>Erica tetralix</i> [4010] European dry heaths [4030] Blanket bogs (* if active bog) [7130] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Ballyhoura Mountains SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
2037	Carrigeenamronety Hill SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Trichomanes speciosum</i> (Killarney Fern) [1421] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Trichomanes speciosum</i> (Killarney Fern) [1421] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Carrigeenamronety Hill SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
2041	Old Domestic Building, Curraglass Wood SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Rhinolophus hipposideros</i> (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p>

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Old Domestic Building, Curraglass Wood SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
2123	Ardmore Head SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts [1230] European dry heaths [4030] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts [1230] European dry heaths [4030] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Ardmore Head SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
2137	Lower River Suir SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atlantic salt meadows (Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima) [1330] Mediterranean salt meadows (Juncetalia maritimi) [1410] Water courses of plain to montane levels with the Ranunculion fluitantis and Callitricho-Batrachion vegetation [3260] Hydrophilous tall herb fringe communities of plains and of the montane to alpine levels [6430] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Atlantic salt meadows (Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima) [1330] Mediterranean salt meadows (Juncetalia maritimi) [1410] Water courses of plain to montane levels with the

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles [91A0] • Alluvial forests with Alnus glutinosa and Fraxinus excelsior (Alno-Padion, Alnion incanae, Salicion albae) [91E0] • Taxus baccata woods of the British Isles [91J0] • Margaritifera margaritifera (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029] • Austropotamobius pallipes (White-clawed Crayfish) [1092] • Petromyzon marinus (Sea Lamprey) [1095] • Lampetra planeri (Brook Lamprey) [1096] • Lampetra fluviatilis (River Lamprey) [1099] • Alosa fallax fallax (Twaite Shad) [1103] • Salmo salar (Salmon) [1106] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ranunculion fluitantis and Callitricho-Batrachion vegetation [3260] • Hydrophilous tall herb fringe communities of plains and of the montane to alpine levels [6430] • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles [91A0] • Alluvial forests with Alnus glutinosa and Fraxinus excelsior (Alno-Padion, Alnion incanae, Salicion albae) [91E0] • Taxus baccata woods of the British Isles [91J0] • Margaritifera margaritifera (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029] • Austropotamobius pallipes (White-clawed Crayfish) [1092] • Petromyzon marinus (Sea Lamprey) [1095] • Lampetra planeri (Brook Lamprey) [1096] • Lampetra fluviatilis (River Lamprey) [1099] • Alosa fallax fallax (Twaite Shad) [1103] • Salmo salar (Salmon) [1106] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Lower River Suir SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
2158	Kenmare River SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large shallow inlets and bays [1160] • Reefs [1170] 	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following habitats and species for

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] • Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts [1230] • Atlantic salt meadows (Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima) [1330] • Mediterranean salt meadows (Juncetalia maritimi) [1410] • Shifting dunes along the shoreline with Ammophila arenaria (white dunes) [2120] • Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes) [2130] • European dry heaths [4030] • Calaminarian grasslands of the Violetalia calaminariae [6130] • Submerged or partially submerged sea caves [8330] • Vertigo angustior (Narrow-mouthed Whorl Snail) [1014] • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] • Phoca vitulina (Common Seal) [1365] 	<p>which Kenmare River SAC is designated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Large shallow inlets and bays [1160] • Reefs [1170] • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] • Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts [1230] • Atlantic salt meadows (Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima) [1330] • Mediterranean salt meadows (Juncetalia maritimi) [1410] • Shifting dunes along the shoreline with Ammophila arenaria (white dunes) [2120] • Fixed coastal dunes with herbaceous vegetation (grey dunes) [2130] • European dry heaths [4030] • Calaminarian grasslands of the Violetalia calaminariae [6130] • Submerged or partially submerged sea caves [8330] • Vertigo angustior (Narrow-mouthed Whorl Snail) [1014] • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] • Phoca vitulina (Common Seal) [1365] <p>and to restore the favourable conservation condition of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] <p>which are defined by attributes</p>

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			and targets set out in Conservation Objectives for Kenmare Bay SAC April 25 2013 available at www.NPWS.ie
2165	Lower River Shannon SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandbanks which are slightly covered by sea water all the time [1110] • Estuaries [1130] • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140] • Coastal lagoons [1150] • Large shallow inlets and bays [1160] • Reefs [1170] • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] • Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts [1230] • Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand [1310] • Atlantic salt meadows (Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima) [1330] • Mediterranean salt meadows (Juncetalia maritimi) [1410] • Water courses of plain to montane levels with the Ranunculion fluitantis and Callitricho-Batrachion vegetation [3260] • Molinia meadows on calcareous, peaty or clayey-silt-laden soils (Molinion caeruleae) [6410] • Alluvial forests with Alnus glutinosa and Fraxinus 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following habitats and species for which the Lower River Shannon SAC is designated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandbanks which are slightly covered by sea water all the time [1110] • Estuaries [1130] • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140] • Large shallow inlets and bays [1160] • Reefs [1170] • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] • Vegetated sea cliffs of the Atlantic and Baltic coasts [1230] • Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand [1310] • Water courses of plain to montane levels with the Ranunculion fluitantis and Callitricho-Batrachion vegetation [3260] • Molinia meadows on calcareous, peaty or clayey-silt-laden soils (Molinion caeruleae) [6410] • Lampetra planeri (Brook Lamprey) [1096]

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		<p>excelsior (Alno-Padion, Alnion incanae, Salicion albae) [91E0]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Margaritifera margaritifera (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029] • Petromyzon marinus (Sea Lamprey) [1095] • Lampetra planeri (Brook Lamprey) [1096] • Lampetra fluviatilis (River Lamprey) [1099] • Salmo salar (Salmon) [1106] • Tursiops truncatus (Common Bottlenose Dolphin) [1349] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lampetra fluviatilis (River Lamprey) [1099] • Tursiops truncatus (Common Bottlenose Dolphin) [1349] <p>and to restore the favourable conservation condition of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Margaritifera margaritifera (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029] • Petromyzon marinus (Sea Lamprey) [1095] • Salmo salar (Salmon) [1106] • *Coastal lagoons [1150] • Atlantic salt meadows (Glaucopuccinellietalia maritimae) [1330] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] • Mediterranean salt meadows (Juncetalia maritimi) [1410] • Alluvial forests with Alnus glutinosa and Fraxinus excelsior (Alno-Padion, Alnion incanae, Salicion albae) [91E0] <p>which are defined by attributes and targets set out in Conservation Objectives for Lower River Shannon SAC August 7 2012 available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
2170	Blackwater River (Cork/Waterford) SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Estuaries [1130] • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140] • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] • Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following habitats and species for which the Blackwater River SAC is designated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Austropotamobius pallipes (White-clawed Crayfish) [1092]

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		<p>[1310]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atlantic salt meadows (Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritimae) [1330] • Mediterranean salt meadows (Juncetalia maritimi) [1410] • Water courses of plain to montane levels with the Ranunculion fluitantis and Callitricho-Batrachion vegetation [3260] • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles [91A0] • Alluvial forests with Alnus glutinosa and Fraxinus excelsior (Alno-Padion, Alnion incanae, Salicion albae) [91E0] • Taxus baccata woods of the British Isles [91J0] • Margaritifera margaritifera (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029] • Austropotamobius pallipes (White-clawed Crayfish) [1092] • Petromyzon marinus (Sea Lamprey) [1095] • Lampetra planeri (Brook Lamprey) [1096] • Lampetra fluviatilis (River Lamprey) [1099] • Alosa fallax fallax (Twaiite Shad) [1103] • Salmo salar (Salmon) [1106] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] • Trichomanes speciosum (Killarney Fern) [1421] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lampetra planeri (Brook Lamprey) [1096] • Lampetra fluviatilis (River Lamprey) [1099] • Salmo salar (Salmon) [1106] • Estuaries [1130] • Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140] • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] • Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand [1310] • Mediterranean salt meadows (Juncetalia maritimi) [1410] • Trichomanes speciosum (Killarney Fern) [1421] • Water courses of plain to montane levels with the Ranunculion fluitantis and Callitricho-Batrachion vegetation [3260] <p>and to restore the favourable conservation condition of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Margaritifera margaritifera (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029] • Petromyzon marinus (Sea Lamprey) [1095] • Alosa fallax fallax (Twaiite Shad) [1103] • Atlantic salt meadows (Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritimae) [1330] • Old sessile oak woods with Ilex and Blechnum in the British Isles [91A0]

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alluvial forests with <i>Alnus glutinosa</i> and <i>Fraxinus excelsior</i> (<i>Alno-Padion</i>, <i>Alnion incanae</i>, <i>Salicion albae</i>) [91E0] • <i>Lutra lutra</i> (Otter) [1355] <p>which are defined by attributes and targets set out in Conservation Objectives for Blackwater River SAC July 31 2012 available at www.NPWS.ie</p> <p>*status of <i>Taxus baccata</i> woods of the British Isles as a qualifying feature for this SAC is currently under review.</p>
2171	Bandon River SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water courses of plain to montane levels with the <i>Ranunculion fluitantis</i> and <i>Callitricho-Batrachion</i> vegetation [3260] • Alluvial forests with <i>Alnus glutinosa</i> and <i>Fraxinus excelsior</i> (<i>Alno-Padion</i>, <i>Alnion incanae</i>, <i>Salicion albae</i>) [91E0] • <i>Margaritifera margaritifera</i> (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029] • <i>Lampetra planeri</i> (Brook Lamprey) [1096] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water courses of plain to montane levels with the <i>Ranunculion fluitantis</i> and <i>Callitricho-Batrachion</i> vegetation [3260] • Alluvial forests with <i>Alnus glutinosa</i> and <i>Fraxinus excelsior</i> (<i>Alno-Padion</i>, <i>Alnion incanae</i>, <i>Salicion albae</i>) [91E0] • <i>Margaritifera margaritifera</i> (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029] • <i>Lampetra planeri</i> (Brook Lamprey) [1096] <p>as set out in the Conservation</p>

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			Objectives for the Bandon River SAC February 13 2015 available at www.NPWS.ie
2173	Blackwater River (Kerry) SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European dry heaths [4030] • Geomalacus maculosus (Kerry Slug) [1024] • Margaritifera margaritifera (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029] • Salmo salar (Salmon) [1106] • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • European dry heaths [4030] • Geomalacus maculosus (Kerry Slug) [1024] • Margaritifera margaritifera (Freshwater Pearl Mussel) [1029] • Salmo salar (Salmon) [1106] • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] • Lutra lutra (Otter) [1355] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for the Blackwater River (Kerry) SAC February 13 2015 are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
2189	Farranamanagh Lough SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coastal lagoons [1150] • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coastal lagoons [1150] • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] <p>as set out in the Conservation</p>

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			Objectives for the Farranamanagh Lough SAC February 13 2015 which are available at www.NPWS.ie
2098	Old Domestic Building, Askive Woods SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for the Old Domestic Building, Askive Woods SAC February 13 2015 which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
2257	Moanour Mountain SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Species-rich Nardus grasslands, on siliceous substrates in mountain areas (and submountain areas, in Continental Europe) [6230] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Species-rich Nardus grasslands, on siliceous substrates in mountain areas (and submountain areas, in Continental Europe) [6230] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Moanour Mountains SAC February 13 2015 which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>

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2280	Dunbeacon Shingle SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Dunbeacon Shingle SAC February 13 2015 which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
2281	Reen Point Shingle SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perennial vegetation of stony banks [1220] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Reen Point Shingle SAC February 13 2015 which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
2315	Glanlough Woods SAC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of the Annex I habitat(s) and/or the Annex II species for which this SAC has been selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhinolophus hipposideros (Lesser Horseshoe Bat) [1303] <p>as set out in the Conservation</p>

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			Objectives Glanlough Woods SAC February 13 2015 which are available at www.NPWS.ie
4021	Old Head of Kinsale SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kittiwake (<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>) [A188] • Guillemot (<i>Uria aalge</i>) [A199] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kittiwake (<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>) [A188] • Guillemot (<i>Uria aalge</i>) [A199] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives Old Head of Kinsale SPA February 13 2015 which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4022	Ballycotton Bay SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teal (<i>Anas crecca</i>) [A052] • Ringed Plover (<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>) [A137] • Golden Plover (<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>) [A140] • Grey Plover (<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>) [A141] • Lapwing (<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>) [A142] • Black-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa limosa</i>) [A156] • Bar-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa lapponica</i>) [A157] • Curlew (<i>Numenius arquata</i>) [A160] • Turnstone (<i>Arenaria interpres</i>) [A169] • Common Gull (<i>Larus canus</i>) [A182] • Lesser Black-backed Gull (<i>Larus fuscus</i>) [A183] • Wetland and Waterbirds [A999] 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following bird species in Ballycotton Bay SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teal (<i>Anas crecca</i>) [A052] • Ringed Plover (<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>) [A137] • Golden Plover (<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>) [A140] • Grey Plover (<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>) [A141] • Lapwing (<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>) [A142] • Black-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa limosa</i>) [A156] • Bar-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa lapponica</i>) [A157] • Curlew (<i>Numenius arquata</i>) [A160] • Turnstone (<i>Arenaria interpres</i>) [A169] • Common Gull (<i>Larus canus</i>) [A182]

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lesser Black-backed Gull (<i>Larus fuscus</i>) [A183] <p>and to maintain the favourable conservation condition of the wetland habitat in Ballycotton Bay SPA as a resources for the regularly-occurring migratory birds that utilise it</p> <p>as defined by attributes and targets set out in Conservation Objectives Ballycotton Bay SPA Aug 26 2014 which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4023	Ballymacoda Bay SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wigeon (<i>Anas penelope</i>) [A050] • Teal (<i>Anas crecca</i>) [A052] • Ringed Plover (<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>) [A137] • Golden Plover (<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>) [A140] • Grey Plover (<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>) [A141] • Lapwing (<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>) [A142] • Sanderling (<i>Calidris alba</i>) [A144] • Dunlin (<i>Calidris alpina</i>) [A149] • Black-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa limosa</i>) [A156] • Bar-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa lapponica</i>) [A157] • Curlew (<i>Numenius arquata</i>) [A160] • Redshank (<i>Tringa totanus</i>) [A162] • Turnstone (<i>Arenaria interpres</i>) [A169] • Black-headed Gull (<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>) [A179] • Common Gull (<i>Larus canus</i>) [A182] 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following bird species in Ballymacoda Bay SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wigeon (<i>Anas penelope</i>) [A050] • Teal (<i>Anas crecca</i>) [A052] • Ringed Plover (<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>) [A137] • Golden Plover (<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>) [A140] • Grey Plover (<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>) [A141] • Lapwing (<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>) [A142] • Sanderling (<i>Calidris alba</i>) [A144] • Dunlin (<i>Calidris alpina</i>) [A149] • Black-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa limosa</i>) [A156] • Bar-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa lapponica</i>) [A157] • Curlew (<i>Numenius arquata</i>) [A160] • Redshank (<i>Tringa totanus</i>) [A162] • Turnstone (<i>Arenaria interpres</i>) [A169]

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lesser Black-backed Gull (Larus fuscus) [A183] • Wetland and Waterbirds [A999] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black-headed Gull (Chroicocephalus ridibundus) [A179] • Common Gull (Larus canus) [A182] • Lesser Black-backed Gull (Larus fuscus) [A183] <p>and to maintain the favourable conservation condition of the wetland habitat in Ballymacoda Bay SPA as a resource for the regularly-occurring migratory birds that utilise it</p> <p>as defined by attributes and targets set out in Conservation Objectives Ballymacoda Bay SPA Feb 19 2015 which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4028	Blackwater Estuary SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wigeon (Anas penelope) [A050] • Golden Plover (Pluvialis apricaria) [A140] • Lapwing (Vanellus vanellus) [A142] • Dunlin (Calidris alpina) [A149] • Black-tailed Godwit (Limosa limosa) [A156] • Bar-tailed Godwit (Limosa lapponica) [A157] • Curlew (Numenius arquata) [A160] • Redshank (Tringa totanus) [A162] • Wetland and Waterbirds [A999] 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following bird species in the Blackwater Estuary SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wigeon (Anas penelope) [A050] • Golden Plover (Pluvialis apricaria) [A140] • Lapwing (Vanellus vanellus) [A142] • Dunlin (Calidris alpina) [A149] • Black-tailed Godwit (Limosa limosa) [A156] • Bar-tailed Godwit (Limosa lapponica) [A157] • Curlew (Numenius arquata) [A160] • Redshank (Tringa totanus) [A162] <p>and to maintain the favourable conservation condition of the wetland habitat in the Blackwater Estuary SPA as a resource for the</p>

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			<p>regularly-occurring migratory birds that utilise it</p> <p>as defined by attributes and targets set out in Conservation Objectives Blackwater Estuary SPA May 17 2012 which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4030	Cork Harbour SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little Grebe (<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>) [A004] • Great Crested Grebe (<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>) [A005] • Cormorant (<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>) [A017] • Grey Heron (<i>Ardea cinerea</i>) [A028] • Shelduck (<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>) [A048] • Wigeon (<i>Anas penelope</i>) [A050] • Teal (<i>Anas crecca</i>) [A052] • Pintail (<i>Anas acuta</i>) [A054] • Shoveler (<i>Anas clypeata</i>) [A056] • Red-breasted Merganser (<i>Mergus serrator</i>) [A069] • Oystercatcher (<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>) [A130] • Golden Plover (<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>) [A140] • Grey Plover (<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>) [A141] • Lapwing (<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>) [A142] • Dunlin (<i>Calidris alpina</i>) [A149] • Black-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa limosa</i>) [A156] • Bar-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa lapponica</i>) [A157] • Curlew (<i>Numenius arquata</i>) [A160] • Redshank (<i>Tringa totanus</i>) [A162] • Black-headed Gull 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following bird species in Cork Harbour SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Little Grebe (<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>) [A004] • Great Crested Grebe (<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>) [A005] • Cormorant (<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>) [A017] • Grey Heron (<i>Ardea cinerea</i>) [A028] • Shelduck (<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>) [A048] • Wigeon (<i>Anas penelope</i>) [A050] • Teal (<i>Anas crecca</i>) [A052] • Pintail (<i>Anas acuta</i>) [A054] • Shoveler (<i>Anas clypeata</i>) [A056] • Red-breasted Merganser (<i>Mergus serrator</i>) [A069] • Oystercatcher (<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>) [A130] • Golden Plover (<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>) [A140] • Grey Plover (<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>) [A141] • Lapwing (<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>) [A142] • Dunlin (<i>Calidris alpina</i>) [A149] • Black-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa limosa</i>) [A156] • Bar-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa</i>

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		<p>(Chroicocephalus ridibundus) [A179]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common Gull (Larus canus) [A182] • Lesser Black-backed Gull (Larus fuscus) [A183] • Common Tern (Sterna hirundo) [A193] • Wetland and Waterbirds [A999] 	<p>lapponica) [A157]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curlew (Numenius arquata) [A160] • Redshank (Tringa totanus) [A162] • Black-headed Gull (Chroicocephalus ridibundus) [A179] • Common Gull (Larus canus) [A182] • Lesser Black-backed Gull (Larus fuscus) [A183] • Common Tern (Sterna hirundo) [A193] <p>and to maintain the favourable conservation condition of the wetland habitat in Cork Harbour SPA as a resources for the regularly-occurring migratory birds that utilise it</p> <p>as defined by attributes and targets set out in Conservation Objectives Cork Harbour SPA Dec 16 2014 which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4038	Killarney National Park SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Merlin (Falco columbarius) [A098] • Greenland White-fronted Goose (Anser albifrons flavirostris) [A395] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Merlin (Falco columbarius) [A098] • Greenland White-fronted Goose (Anser albifrons flavirostris) [A395] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Killarney National Park SPA February 13 2015 are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>

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4066	Bull and the Cow SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Storm Petrel (<i>Hydrobates pelagicus</i>) [A014] • Gannet (<i>Morus bassanus</i>) [A016] • Puffin (<i>Fratercula arctica</i>) [A204] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Storm Petrel (<i>Hydrobates pelagicus</i>) [A014] • Gannet (<i>Morus bassanus</i>) [A016] • Puffin (<i>Fratercula arctica</i>) [A204] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Bull and the Cow SPA February 13 2015 are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4081	Clonakilty Bay SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shelduck (<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>) [A048] • Dunlin (<i>Calidris alpina</i>) [A149] • Black-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa limosa</i>) [A156] • Curlew (<i>Numenius arquata</i>) [A160] • Wetland and Waterbirds [A999] 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following bird species in Clonakilty Bay SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shelduck (<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>) [A048] • Dunlin (<i>Calidris alpina</i>) [A149] • Black-tailed Godwit (<i>Limosa limosa</i>) [A156] • Curlew (<i>Numenius arquata</i>) [A160] <p>and to maintain the favourable conservation condition of the wetland habitat in Clonakilty Bay SPA as a resource for the regularly-occurring migratory birds that utilise it</p> <p>as defined by attributes and targets set out in Conservation</p>

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			Objectives Clonakilty Bay SPA Oct 17 2014 which are available at www.NPWS.ie
4094	River Blackwater Callows SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whooper Swan (Cygnus cygnus) [A038] • Wigeon (Anas penelope) [A050] • Teal (Anas crecca) [A052] • Black-tailed Godwit (Limosa limosa) [A156] • Wetland and Waterbirds [A999] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whooper Swan (Cygnus cygnus) [A038] • Wigeon (Anas penelope) [A050] • Teal (Anas crecca) [A052] • Black-tailed Godwit (Limosa limosa) [A156] <p>and to maintain or restore the favourable condition of the wetland habitat at Blackwater Callows as a resource for the regularly-occurring migratory waterbirds that utilise it.</p> <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for the Blackwater Callows SPA which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4095	Kilcolman Bog SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whooper Swan (Cygnus cygnus) [A038] • Teal (Anas crecca) [A052] • Shoveler (Anas clypeata) [A056] • Wetland and Waterbirds [A999] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whooper Swan (Cygnus cygnus) [A038] • Teal (Anas crecca) [A052] • Shoveler (Anas clypeata) [A056] <p>and to maintain or restore the favourable condition of the</p>

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			<p>wetland habitat at Kilcolman Bog as a resource for the regularly-occurring migratory waterbirds that utilise it.</p> <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for Kilcolman Bog which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4109	The Gearagh SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wigeon (Anas penelope) [A050] • Teal (Anas crecca) [A052] • Mallard (Anas platyrhynchos) [A053] • Coot (Fulica atra) [A125] • Wetland and Waterbirds [A999] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wigeon (Anas penelope) [A050] • Teal (Anas crecca) [A052] • Mallard (Anas platyrhynchos) [A053] • Coot (Fulica atra) [A125] <p>and to maintain or restore the favourable condition of the wetland habitat at the Gearagh as a resource for the regularly-occurring migratory waterbirds that utilise it.</p> <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for the Gearagh SPA which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4124	Sovereign Islands SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cormorant (Phalacrocorax carbo) [A017] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cormorant (Phalacrocorax carbo) [A017]

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			as set out in the Conservation Objectives for the Sovereign Islands SPA which are available at www.NPWS.ie
4155	Beara Peninsula SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fulmar (<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>) [A009] • Chough (<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>) [A346] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fulmar (<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>) [A009] • Chough (<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>) [A346] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for the Beara Peninsula SPA which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4156	Sheeps Head to Toe Head SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peregrine (<i>Falco peregrinus</i>) [A103] • Chough (<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>) [A346] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peregrine (<i>Falco peregrinus</i>) [A103] • Chough (<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>) [A346] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for the Sheeps Head to Toe Head SPA which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4161	Stacks to Mullaghareirks Mountains, West Limerick Hills and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hen Harrier (<i>Circus cyaneus</i>) [A082] 	To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for

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	Mountain Eagle SPA		<p>this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hen Harrier (<i>Circus cyaneus</i>) [A082] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for the Stacks to Mullaghareirks Mountains, West Limerick Hills and Mountain Eagle SPA which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4162	Mullaghanish to Musheramore Mountains SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hen Harrier (<i>Circus cyaneus</i>) [A082] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hen Harrier (<i>Circus cyaneus</i>) [A082] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for the Mullaghanish to Musheramore Mountains SPA which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4190	Galley Head to Duneen Point SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chough (<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>) [A346] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chough (<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>) [A346] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for the Galley Head to Duneen Point SPA which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>

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Site Code	Site Name	Qualifying Interests	Conservation Objectives
4191	Seven Heads SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chough (Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax) [A346] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chough (Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax) [A346] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for the Seven Heads SPA which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4192	Helvick Head to Ballyquin SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cormorant (Phalacrocorax carbo) [A017] • Peregrine (Falco peregrinus) [A103] • Herring Gull (Larus argentatus) [A184] • Kittiwake (Rissa tridactyla) [A188] • Chough (Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax) [A346] 	<p>To maintain or restore the favourable conservation condition of bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests for this SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cormorant (Phalacrocorax carbo) [A017] • Peregrine (Falco peregrinus) [A103] • Herring Gull (Larus argentatus) [A184] • Kittiwake (Rissa tridactyla) [A188] • Chough (Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax) [A346] <p>as set out in the Conservation Objectives for the Helvick Head to Ballyquin SPA which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>
4219	Courtmacsherry Bay SPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great Northern Diver (Gavia immer) [A003] • Shelduck (Tadorna tadorna) [A048] • Wigeon (Anas penelope) [A050] 	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the following bird species in Courtmacsherry Bay SPA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great Northern Diver (Gavia

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Site Code	Site Name	Qualifying Interests	Conservation Objectives
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Red-breasted Merganser (Mergus serrator) [A069] • Golden Plover (Pluvialis apricaria) [A140] • Lapwing (Vanellus vanellus) [A142] • Dunlin (Calidris alpina) [A149] • Black-tailed Godwit (Limosa limosa) [A156] • Bar-tailed Godwit (Limosa lapponica) [A157] • Curlew (Numenius arquata) [A160] • Black-headed Gull (Chroicocephalus ridibundus) [A179] • Common Gull (Larus canus) [A182] • Wetland and Waterbirds [A999] 	<p>immer) [A003]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shelduck (Tadorna tadorna) [A048] • Wigeon (Anas penelope) [A050] • Red-breasted Merganser (Mergus serrator) [A069] • Golden Plover (Pluvialis apricaria) [A140] • Lapwing (Vanellus vanellus) [A142] • Dunlin (Calidris alpina) [A149] • Black-tailed Godwit (Limosa limosa) [A156] • Bar-tailed Godwit (Limosa lapponica) [A157] • Curlew (Numenius arquata) [A160] • Black-headed Gull (Chroicocephalus ridibundus) [A179] • Common Gull (Larus canus) [A182] <p>and to maintain the favourable conservation condition of the wetland habitat in Courtmacsherry Bay SPA as a resources for the regularly-occurring migratory birds that utilise it</p> <p>as defined by attributes and targets set out in Conservation Objectives Courtmacsherry Bay SPA Oct 3 2014 which are available at www.NPWS.ie</p>

3.4 Screening Assessment

The draft Local Economic and Community Plan is a high level strategic plan which aims to promote and enhance development and growth opportunities within the county. In the main,

the goals and actions set out in the draft plan are not location specific and therefore particular issues relating to particular Natura 2000 sites have not been identified. However, many of the goals and actions could influence where development / growth is to be prioritised within the county and what kind of development is to be encouraged and could have the potential to have negative impacts on Natura 2000 sites unless planned and implemented in a manner that ensures compatibility with environmental protection and compliance with environmental legislation. Particular attention was paid in the screening exercise to goals and actions which could influence how land is developed and managed in the future, to identify any such actions which could have the potential to affect one or more of the above listed Natura 2000 sites. **Table 2** below sets out the results of this preliminary screening assessment.

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Human Capital		Screening Assessment
Human Capital Asset Management Goal	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will ensure the development of human capital within Cork to meet the current and future socio-economic needs of the region	✓
Human Capital Action 1	In 2016, in conjunction with the <i>Education Asset Management Group</i> , to identify the key educational needs (in conjunction with the <i>National Strategy for Higher Education to 2030</i>) required to meet the projected future economic vision for the Cork region	✓
Human Capital Action 2	In 2016, develop a programme of actions to achieve the Government's targets regarding entrepreneurship and start-ups, as set down in its <i>2014 National Entrepreneurship Policy Statement</i>	✓
Human Capital Action 3	In 2016, develop a programme of actions to meet the personal development needs of Cork residents	✓
Human Capital Action 4	In 2016, develop a programme of actions to facilitate residents in extending their economic and social participation	✓
Human Capital Action 5	In 2016, to engage with the <i>National Planning Framework</i> process, in order to advocate for the growth of the Cork regional population in excess of its growth rates over the past 20 years	x
Human Capital Action 6	In 2016, develop a programme of actions to enable the Cork region to retain its youth population into adulthood	✓
Human Capital Action 7	In 2016, develop a programme of actions to enable the Cork region to attract former residents to return	✓
Human Capital Action 8	In 2016, develop a programme of actions to enable the Cork region to be attractive for in-migration	✓
Human Capital Action 9	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a <i>Human Capital Index</i> to monitor and measure the key socio-economic attributes of Cork residents	✓
Urban Cork		Screening Assessment

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Urban Cork Asset Management Goal	To promote <i>Urban Cork</i> as the key economic regional driver and to protect it from developing inefficiently, in order to retain its economic competitiveness.	✓
Urban Cork Action 1	By 2018, to complete an audit of existing residential stock and to develop a system of on-going monitoring.	✓
Urban Cork Action 2	By 2018, to complete an audit of existing employment premises / facilities and to develop a system of on-going monitoring	✓
Urban Cork Action 3	By 2016, in collaboration with the <i>Housing Asset Management Group</i> and the <i>Rural Cork Asset Management Group</i> , to develop a programme of actions to ensure the provision of housing choice to residents, by location, type and cost.	✓
Urban Cork Action 4	By 2016, in collaboration with the <i>Employment / Income Assets Management Group</i> and the <i>Rural Cork Asset Management Group</i> , to develop a programme of actions to ensure the provision of a suitable choice of employment premises choice, by location, type and cost.	✓
Urban Cork Action 5	During the lifetime of this plan, to continue to advocate for, and facilitate, regional collaboration by local authorities, key stakeholders and delivery agencies.	✓
Urban Cork Action 6	On adoption of the planned for <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , and in conjunction with the <i>Rural Cork Asset Management Group</i> , develop a <i>Cork spatial vision</i> that will give effect to the population growth targets set for Cork.	x
Urban Cork Action 7	Within the lifetime of this plan, having regard to the targets for Cork as set out in the future <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , and in conjunction with the <i>Rural Cork Asset Management Group</i> , develop a <i>spatial and transportation plan</i> for the Cork region, to be co-ordinated with the programmes of infrastructure delivery agencies.	x
Urban Cork Action 8	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop an <i>Urban Cork Index</i> to monitor and measure the key socio-economic performance of <i>Urban Cork</i>	✓
Employment and Income		Screening Assessment
Employment and Income	To maximise employment and income levels within the Cork region by supporting the programme of actions set out in the <i>South West Region</i>	✓

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Asset Management Goal	<i>Action Plan for Jobs 2015 – 2017</i>	
Employment and Income Action 1	In 2016, develop a programme of employment related actions to increase the attraction of the Cork region in retaining its recently emerged and emerging workforce	✓
Employment and Income Action 2	In 2016, develop a programme of employment related actions to increase the attraction for in-migration to the Cork region of economically active persons	✓
Employment and Income Action 3	In 2016, develop a programme of actions to facilitate employees who desire to extend their employment participation	✓
Employment and Income Action 4	In 2016, to advise the <i>Human Capital Asset Management Group</i> in their identification of the key educational and skills needs required to meet the future economic and employment vision for the Cork region	✓
Employment and Income Action 5	By 2018, to advise and assist the <i>Urban Cork and Rural Cork Asset Management Groups</i> in their completion of an audit of existing employment premises / facilities and in their development of a system of on-going monitoring	✓
Employment and Income Action 6	During the lifetime of this plan, to advise the <i>Physical Infrastructure Asset Management Group</i> as to the protection and enhancement of Cork's key employment related infrastructure assets	✓
Employment and Income Action 7	By 2016, in collaboration with the <i>Urban Cork and Rural Cork Asset Management Groups</i> , to develop a programme of actions to ensure the provision of a suitable choice of employment premises choice, by location, type and cost	✓
Employment and Income Action 8	In 2016, to develop a programme of priority actions for Cork arising from the <i>South West Region Action Plan for Jobs 2015 – 2017</i> .	✓
Employment and Income Action 9	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions to increase the per capita income for the Cork region	✓

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Employment and Income	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop an <i>Employment Index</i> to monitor and measure the key employment attributes of the Cork region	✓
Action 10		
Rural Cork		Screening Assessment
Rural Cork	To promote <i>Rural Cork</i> as a key economic and social asset, to reverse depopulation where it continues to occur and to efficiently manage growing rural area.	x
Asset Management Goal		
Rural Cork	By 2018, to complete an audit of existing residential stock and to develop a system of on-going monitoring.	✓
Action 1		
Rural Cork	By 2018, to complete an audit of existing employment premises / facilities and to develop a system of on-going monitoring.	✓
Action 2		
Rural Cork	By 2016, in collaboration with the <i>Housing Assets Management Group</i> and the <i>Urban Cork Asset Management Group</i> , to develop a programme of actions to ensure the provision of housing choice to residents, by location, type and cost.	✓
Action 3		
Rural Cork	By 2016, collaboration with the <i>Employment / Income Assets Management Group</i> and the <i>Urban Cork Asset Management Group</i> , to develop a programme of actions to ensure the provision of a suitable choice of employment premises choice, by location, type and cost.	✓
Action 4		
Rural Cork	During the lifetime of this plan, to continue to advocate for, and facilitate, regional collaboration by local authorities, key stakeholders and delivery agencies.	✓
Action 5		
Rural Cork	On adoption of the planned for <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , and in conjunction with the <i>Urban Cork Asset Management Group</i> , develop a <i>Cork spatial vision</i> that will give effect to the population growth targets set for Cork.	x
Action 6		
Rural Cork	Within the lifetime of this plan, having regard to the targets for Cork as set out in the future <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , and in conjunction with the <i>Urban Cork Asset Management Group</i> , develop a <i>spatial and transportation plan</i> for the Cork region, to be co-ordinated with the programmes of infrastructure delivery agencies	x
Action 7		

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Rural Cork Action 8	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a <i>Rural Cork Index</i> to monitor and measure the key socio-economic performance of <i>Rural Cork</i>	✓
Connectivity		Screening Assessment
Connectivity Asset Management Goal	To identify and promote actions that will enhance Cork's physical and telecommunications connectivity – locally, regionally, nationally and internationally.	x
Connectivity Action 1	During the lifetime of this plan, advocate for and support the roll out to all areas of County Cork the broadband connectivity planned for within the Government's <i>National Broadband Plan</i> .	✓
Connectivity Action 2	By 2018, to complete an audit of all existing telecommunications infrastructure within the Cork region and to develop a system of on-going monitoring.	✓
Connectivity Action 3	By 2018, to complete an audit of all existing transport infrastructure within the Cork region and to develop a system of on-going monitoring.	✓
Connectivity Action 4	By 2018, to develop a programme of actions that will facilitate increased usage of public transport by all residents within the Cork region.	✓
Connectivity Action 5	By 2018, to develop a targeted transport strategy that will identify medium to long term actions to reduce travel times between <i>Cork and Dublin</i> and between <i>Cork and London</i> .	✓
Connectivity Action 6	By 2018, to develop a <i>regional transport plan</i> and a programme of actions toward the creation of a regional transport network that <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) will provide real choice to residents as to how they travel and how they construct their journeys within Cork; b) that facilitates the efficient interaction of Cork County, Cork Ring and Metropolitan Cork transport assets; c) that facilitates the efficient interaction of road, bus, rail, air and marine transport infrastructure; and d) that accommodates industry needs regarding the movement of materials, goods and people. 	x
Connectivity Action 7	On adoption of the planned for <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , to inform the outputs of <i>Rural Cork and Urban Cork Asset Management Groups</i> in their development of a <i>Cork spatial vision</i> that will give effect to the population growth	x

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	targets set for Cork.	
Connectivity Action 8	Within the lifetime of this plan, having regard to the targets for Cork as set out in the future <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , and in conjunction with the <i>Rural Cork</i> and <i>Urban Cork Asset Management Group</i> , develop a <i>spatial and transportation plan</i> for the Cork region, to be co-ordinated with the programmes of infrastructure delivery agencies.	x
Connectivity Action 9	In 2016, to develop a programme of priority actions for Cork arising from the <i>South West Region Action Plan for Jobs 2015 – 2017</i> .	✓
Connectivity Action 10	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions to increase the per capita income for the Cork region	✓
Community		Screening Assessment
Community Asset Management Goal	To identify and promote actions that will remove socio-economic barriers and enhance the sustainability of all communities within Cork.	✓
Community Action 1	By 2018, to complete a geographical audit of all communities, set out by both activity and Municipal District.	✓
Community Action 2	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions to encourage and facilitate enhanced civic and community engagement.	✓
Community Action 3	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions to enhance the ability of communities to shape their futures.	✓
Community Action 4	In 2016, to identify communities that are endangered and to develop a programme of actions to support their needs.	✓
Community Action 5	In 2016, to advocate on behalf of communities regarding local and regional policy development and its implementation.	✓
Community Action 6	Achieve during the lifetime of this plan an increase in the levels of satisfaction regarding community reported to the <i>Cork Quality of Life Survey</i> by residents within each Municipal District.	✓

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Community Action 7	In 2018, develop a <i>Cork Communities Index</i> that will identify, measure and monitor the socio-economic wellbeing of communities within Cork.	✓
Education		Screening Assessment
Education Asset Management Goal	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will remove barriers to education for residents at all life stages, and to target in particular the future educational needs of our planned for employment growth sectors.	✓
Education Action 1	In 2016, in conjunction with the <i>Human Capital Asset Management Group</i> , to identify the key educational needs required to reflect the social characteristics that we value most within the Cork region.	✓
Education Action 2	By 2018, in collaboration with educational institutions, to develop a programme of actions to facilitate access to further education by all residents who desire to do so.	✓
Education Action 3	By 2018, in collaboration with educational institutions, to develop a programme of actions to minimise costs to residents in accessing education.	✓
Education Action 4	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions relating to the education sector that will support the work of the <i>South West Region Action Plan for Jobs 2015-2017</i> .	✓
Education Action 5	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions to continue to promote the importance of early intervention in education, including the role played by parents.	✓
Education Action 6	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions, relating to transport, accommodation, etc., that will facilitate access by students to education facilities.	✓
Education Action 7	During the lifetime of this plan, in collaboration with the local authorities and the Dept. of Education, to identify a programme of actions that will facilitate the enhancement of existing primary and secondary educational facilities and the delivery of new facilities in a manner that maximises the investment benefits.	✓
Education Action 8	During the lifetime of this plan, in collaboration with third level and further education institutions, to develop a programme of actions that will facilitate UCC, CIT and other educational institutions in developing and enhancing their campuses.	✓

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Education Action 9	By 2018, to identify a programme of actions that will support UCC and CIT in enhancing their international educational rankings.	✓
Education Action 10	Over the lifetime of this plan, to reduce the percentage of 18-24 year olds with at most lower secondary education and not in further education and training to 8%; to increase the share of 30-34 year olds who have completed tertiary or equivalent education to at least 60%.	✓
Education Action 11	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop an <i>Education Index</i> to monitor and measure the key education attainments and experiences of Cork residents.	✓
Research, Development and Innovation		Screening Assessment
Research, Development and Innovation Asset Management Goal	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will create and sustain a culture and environment of innovation, resulting in a high functioning research eco-system within Cork that facilitates enterprise to flourish within the region.	✓
Research, Development and Innovation Action 1	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions relating to the RDI sector in the Cork region that will support the implementation of the <i>South West Region Action Plan for Jobs 2015-2017</i> .	✓
Research, Development and Innovation Action 2	In 2016, within the context of our existing centres of excellence and building on successes to date, identify further RDI opportunities within the Cork region.	✓
Research, Development and Innovation Action 3	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions for the Cork region focused on the delivery of the <i>14 Priority Areas for Government Investment in Research 2013-2017</i> – and beyond.	✓
Research, Development and Innovation Action 4	During the lifetime of this plan, to engage with and support the <i>Regional Innovation Forum</i> to be established under the <i>South West Region Action Plan for Jobs 2015-2017</i> .	✓
Research,	By 2018, to develop a programme of actions that will enhance the	✓

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Development and Innovation Action 5	commercialisation of research within the Cork region.	
Research, Development and Innovation Action 6	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions that will facilitate the retention and attraction of researchers to the Cork region.	✓
Research, Development and Innovation Action 7	By 2018, in collaboration with the <i>Connectivity Asset Management Group</i> and in order to enhance research opportunities, to develop a programme of actions to facilitate the creation of a physical network of research facilities within the Cork region.	✓
Research, Development and Innovation Action 8	During the lifetime of this plan, and in collaboration with the local authorities, landowners and infrastructure delivery agencies, to support the development of the <i>Cork Science and Innovation Park</i> to serve the Cork region.	✓
Research, Development and Innovation Action 9	In 2016, building on successes to date in this sector, develop a programme of actions that will meet the demand for incubation spaces and hot desk facilities within the Cork region.	✓
Research, Development and Innovation Action 10	In 2016, to identify a programme of actions that will support research institutions in maximising their ability to attract research funding.	✓
Research, Development and Innovation Action 11	Within the lifetime of this plan, support the <i>Data Co-Ordination Asset Management Group</i> in the establishment of a centralised data centre or <i>data hub</i> , to facilitate the delivery and sharing of public information and datasets.	✓
Research, Development and Innovation Action 12	Within the lifetime of this plan, to establish an <i>RDI Index</i> that identifies, and commences the measurement of, key performance indicators for the RDI sector.	✓

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Housing		Screening Assessment
Housing Asset Management Goal	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will provide for housing choice that enables the people of Cork, now and in the future, to have attractive places to live, suited to their needs and at costs that they can afford.	x
Housing Action 1	During the lifetime of this plan to develop a programme of actions to assist in the delivery of the <i>Cork Joint Housing Strategy 2013</i> and the housing objectives of the <i>Cork County Development Plan 2014</i> .	✓
Housing Action 2	During the lifetime of this plan to inform and collaborate with the <i>Physical Infrastructure and Connectivity Asset Management Groups</i> , to ensure that the physical infrastructure needs required to facilitate housing provision are adequately met.	x
Housing Action 3	On publication of the key outputs from the <i>National Planning Strategy</i> and the <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , develop a programme of actions to inform a future revision of the <i>Cork Joint Housing Strategy 2013</i> to have regard to the future <i>NSF</i> and <i>RSES</i> .	✓
Housing Action 4	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will contribute to the provision of a consistent supply of housing to serve the Cork region.	x
Housing Action 5	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will minimise the costs – direct and indirect - to residents accessing housing within the Cork region.	✓
Housing Action 6	By 2018, to assist the <i>Rural Cork and Urban Cork Asset Management Groups</i> in their completion of an audit of existing residential stock and in their development of a system of on-going monitoring.	✓
Housing Action 7	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will maximise housing choice – by type and location – to residents within the Cork region.	x
Housing Action 8	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will contribute to the provision of high quality housing within the Cork region.	✓
Housing Action 9	Achieve during the lifetime of this plan an increase in the levels of satisfaction regarding housing provision reported to the <i>Cork Quality of Life Survey</i> by residents within each Municipal District.	✓
Housing Action 10	During the lifetime of this plan, to establish a <i>Housing Index</i> that identifies, and commences the measurement of, permanent key performance indicators for the housing sector within the Cork region.	✓

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Physical Infrastructure		Screening Assessment
Physical Infrastructure Asset Management Goal	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will protect and enhance Cork's existing physical infrastructure assets, by identifying the future physical infrastructural needs of the region.	x
Physical Infrastructure Action 1	During the lifetime of this plan and via ongoing consultation, ensure that the physical infrastructure needs of businesses and communities are adequately met.	x
Physical Infrastructure Action 2	During the lifetime of this plan and via ongoing consultation, ensure that pricing and supply certainty regarding physical infrastructure provision to meet the needs of businesses and communities are appropriately met.	✓
Physical Infrastructure Action 3	During the lifetime of this plan, advocate for and identify opportunities for the advance provision of physical infrastructure to serve the community and economic needs of the Cork region.	x
Physical Infrastructure Action 4	During the lifetime of this plan, to support and contribute to the development of smart infrastructure within the Cork region.	x
Physical Infrastructure Action 5	By 2018, to complete an audit of all existing physical infrastructure and to develop a system of on-going monitoring.	✓
Physical Infrastructure Action 6	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will maximise socio-economic gains from physical infrastructure investment while mitigating negative impacts on our supporting natural environment.	x
Physical Infrastructure Action 7	During the lifetime of this plan, to continue to advocate for, and facilitate, regional collaboration by local authorities, key stakeholders and delivery agencies in the area of physical infrastructure provision.	x
Physical Infrastructure Action 8	Within the lifetime of this plan and having regard to the outputs of the <i>National Planning Strategy</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , to collaborate with the <i>Rural Cork</i> and <i>Urban Cork Asset Management Groups</i> in their development of a spatial and transportation plan for the Cork region, to be co-ordinated with the programmes of infrastructure delivery agencies.	x

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Physical Infrastructure Action 9	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a <i>Physical Infrastructure Index</i> to measure and monitor Cork's regional physical infrastructure.	✓
Natural Environment and Climate Change		Screening Assessment
Natural Environment and Climate Change Asset Management Goal	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will ensure the long-term net consequences on the natural environment (locally and globally), as well as on our personal and social well-being, are considered through the management of Cork's key assets, choosing a route that is most likely to give the best possible outcome.	x
Natural Environment and Climate Change Action 1	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions to promote the critical role that our natural environment plays in supporting our collective endeavours and in supporting our <i>Key Assets</i> .	✓
Natural Environment and Climate Change Action 2	By 2018, to complete an audit of Cork's natural infrastructure and to develop a programme of actions to monitor same.	✓
Natural Environment and Climate Change Action 3	By 2017, to develop a programme of actions to mitigate harmful emissions from within the Cork region, set within the context of the future <i>National Mitigation Plan</i> for Ireland.	✓
Natural Environment and Climate Change Action 4	In 2016, to advise Cork County Council in its development of a <i>Local Climate Change Adaption Plan</i> in order to facilitate the future proofing the natural and built infrastructure supporting the Cork region.	✓
Natural Environment and Climate Change	In 2017, in consultation with the <i>Connectivity Asset Management Group</i> , to identify a programme of actions to support the creation of urban green corridors to facilitate the non-motorised movement of people and other species within the Cork urban environment.	✓

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Action 5		
Natural Environment and Climate Change	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a <i>Natural Environment and Climate Change Index</i> to monitor and measure the environmental performance and climate related future proofing of the Cork region.	✓
Action 6		
Energy		Screening Assessment
Energy Asset Management Goal	To identify and promote actions that will reduce Cork's overall energy usage, increase the proportional usage of non-fossil based fuels generated within the region and promote Cork's overall potential within the energy sector.	x
Energy Action 1	Within the lifetime of this plan, in collaboration with key stakeholders, and, within the context of the policies set down in <i>Ireland's Transition to a Low Carbon Energy Future 2015-2030</i> , draft a <i>Strategic Energy Plan</i> for the Cork region that will identify a range of actions required to achieve increased energy efficiencies and increased local sources of sustainable energy, within medium term targets set out for the region.	x
Energy Action 2	By 2018, in collaboration with Cork's energy-based research institutions, to draft a scoping report on the development of an <i>Energy Research Plan</i> for the Cork region, to maximise the energy-based research potential within Cork.	x
Energy Action 3	In 2016, to develop a programme of policies to minimise the usage of energy in the residential, industrial and transportation use within the Cork region.	✓
Energy Action 4	In 2018, develop a <i>Cork Energy Index</i> that will identify, measure and monitor energy use and generation within the Cork region.	✓
Clustering		Screening Assessment
Clustering Asset Management Goal	To support the development of internationally focused cluster eco-systems in the Cork region.	x
Clustering	Via institutional research, to develop targeted policy actionable at a	x

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Action 1	regional level with a focus on developing a <i>Cluster Strategy</i> for Cork which is cognisant of internationalisation, innovation, product development and research commercialisation.	
Clustering Action 2	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions relating to clustering in the Cork region that will support the implementation of the <i>South West Region Action Plan for Jobs 2015-2017</i> .	x
Clustering Action 3	By 2018, in collaboration with the <i>Connectivity Asset Management Group</i> and in order to enhance cluster opportunities, to develop a programme of actions to facilitate the creation of a physical network that will enable the creation of interactions and clusters within the Cork region.	x
Clustering Action 4	During the lifetime of this plan, to establish a Cork Cluster Index that identifies, and commences the measurement of, key performance indicators for the cluster sector.	✓
Export Market		Screening Assessment
Export Market Asset Management Goal	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will provide for increased exports from the Cork region, by growing existing exports sectors and developing new export sectors.	x
Export Market Action 1	During the lifetime of this plan - in collaboration with local authorities, economic agencies (such as IDA, EI, etc) and the Irish Exporters Association - to develop a programme of actions to continue to assist Cork exporters in identifying international markets for their goods and services.	✓
Export Market Action 2	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions to reduce costs – direct and indirect - to Cork exporters in accessing international markets with their goods and services.	✓
Export Market Action 3	During the lifetime of this plan - in collaboration with local authorities, educational institutions, economic agencies (such as IDA, EI, etc) and the Irish Exporters Association – to develop a programme of actions to protect and enhance the existing export sectors operating within the Cork region.	✓
Export Market Action 4	During the lifetime of this plan - in collaboration with educational institutions and economic agencies (such as IDA, EI, etc) – to seek to identify potential new export sectors within the Cork region.	✓
Export Market	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions relating to the export sector that will support the work of the <i>South</i>	✓

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Action 5	<i>West Region Action Plan for Jobs 2015-2017.</i>	
Export Market Action 6	In 2016, to develop a programme of location-based actions that will protect and enhance existing export sectors operational within the Cork region, with particular reference to safeguarding and growing rural export-based activities.	x
Export Market Action 7	By 2018, to identify Cork's export sector transport and logistics needs, as well as opportunities, to maximise access to markets and overall cost competitiveness – in collaboration with the work of the <i>Connectivity Asset Management Group</i> .	✓
Export Market Action 8	Achieve during the lifetime of this plan an increase in the overall relative export value of goods and services from the Cork region.	✓
Export Market Action 9	Achieve during the lifetime of this plan a decrease in the overall relative costs associated with exporting goods and services from the Cork region.	✓
Export Market Action 10	Within the lifetime of this plan, to establish an Export Index that identifies, and commences the measurement of, key performance indicators for the export sector.	✓
Tourism		Screening Assessment
Tourism Asset Management Goal	To identify and promote actions that will grow Cork's domestic and international tourism visitors and increase revenue accruing from same.	x
Tourism Action 1	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will inform and support the work of <i>Visit Cork Ltd.</i> , as set out in <i>Growing Tourism in Cork – A Collective Strategy 2015 – 2020</i> .	x
Tourism Action 2	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will facilitate the development of a tourism network for the Cork region, via the alignment of actions of other <i>Asset Management Groups</i> and with the work of <i>Visit Cork Ltd.</i>	✓
Tourism Action 3	During the lifetime of this plan, to establish a <i>Tourism Index</i> that identifies, and commences the measurement of, key performance indicators for the tourism sector. =	✓
Cost of Living		Screening Assessment

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Cost of Living Asset Management Goal	To minimise the cost of living for residents of Cork, benchmarked nationally and internationally.	✓
Cost of Living Action 1	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions that will increase efficiencies and reduce costs across the range of goods and services provided within Cork, achieving during the lifetime of this plan a reduction in the overall cost of living for resident's (index linked to inflation).	✓
Cost of Living Action 2	By 2018, to develop a programme of actions that will target reductions in the costs to Cork residents of the three principle disposable income expenditures - housing, transport and food.	✓
Cost of Living Action 3	In 2016, to develop a <i>Cork Cost of Living Survey</i> that will monitor the cost of access by residents to all key services that contribute to Cork's cost of living competitiveness.	✓
Cost of Living Action 4	Achieve during the lifetime of this plan an increase in the levels of satisfaction regarding cost of living reported to the <i>Cork Quality of Life Survey</i> by residents within each Municipal District.	✓
Cost of Living Action 5	During the lifetime of this plan, to establish a <i>Cork Cost of Living Index</i> that identifies, and commences the measurement of, key performance indicators relating to cost of living within the Cork region.	✓
Cork Airport		Screening Assessment
Cork Airport Asset Management Goal	To identify and promote actions that will protect and enhance Cork Airport's key role in the economic and social development of the Cork region.	✓
Cork Airport Action 1	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions to expand the revenue base of Cork Airport in order to underpin its future growth.	x
Cork Airport Action 2	During the lifetime of this plan, in collaboration with the <i>Tourism and Employment Income Asset Management Groups</i> , to develop a programme of actions to progress enhanced air services to locations that are most critical to Cork's future economic vision.	✓
Cork Airport Action 3	In 2016, to engage with key transport stakeholders to develop a programme of actions to enhance transport connectivity between Cork Airport campus and the Metropolitan Cork transport network, with	✓

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	particular emphasis on public transport connectivity.	
Cork Airport Action 4	In 2016, to engage with the local authorities and key stakeholders to develop a programme of actions to progress the objectives set out in the <i>Special Local Area Plan</i> for Cork Airport.	x
Cork Airport Action 5	Within the lifetime of this plan, and in conjunction with the <i>Department of Transport Tourism and Sport</i> , to develop and monitor a <i>Passenger Index</i> for Cork Airport.	✓
Cork Harbour		Screening Assessment
Cork Harbour Asset Management Goal	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will maximise the regional socio-economic potential of Cork Harbour by aligning the economic, environmental, social and cultural needs of this integrated area.	✓
Cork Harbour Action 1	By 2018, to draft a SWOT analysis of Cork Harbour and its immediate hinterland, set within the context of the <i>NPF</i> and <i>RSES</i> outcomes.	✓
Cork Harbour Action 2	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions to protect and enhance the economic, cultural and social capacities of the Cork harbour area.	x
Cork Harbour Action 3	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions to facilitate the relocation of industries from the Upper Harbour area.	x
Cork Harbour Action 4	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions to protect and enhance the natural and built environment of the Cork harbour area.	✓
Cork Harbour Action 5	Within the lifetime of this plan, in collaboration with the <i>Connectivity Assets Management Group</i> , to develop a programme of actions to enhance connectivity between the Cork Harbour area and Metropolitan Cork and, in particular, enhancing public transport and water-based connections.	x
Cork Harbour Action 6	During the lifetime of this plan, to establish a <i>Cork Harbour Index</i> that identifies, and commences the measurement of, permanent key performance indicators for Cork Harbour.	✓
Health		Screening Assessment

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Health Asset Management Goal	To identify and promote actions that will enhance the physical and mental health and wellbeing of Cork residents.	✓
Health Action 1	By 2018, building upon existing collaborative initiatives, to develop a programme of actions to guide inter-agency action in improving the health and wellbeing, physical and mental, of residents.	✓
Health Action 2	By 2018, to develop a programme of actions to remove barriers for residents in accessing health services, leading to equality of opportunity in the health sector for all residents.	✓
Health Action 3	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions to identify and address strategic health threats to residents.	✓
Health Action 4	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions to empower individuals and communities in contributing to the creation of a healthy region.	✓
Health Action 5	By 2018, to complete an audit of existing health related facilities and to develop a system of on-going monitoring.	✓
Health Action 6	In 2016, in collaboration with the <i>Urban Cork, Rural Cork and Community Asset Management Groups</i> , to develop a programme of actions to enhance the role that our physical and natural environments can play in facilitating a healthy region.	✓
Health Action 7	Achieve during the lifetime of this plan an increase in the levels of satisfaction regarding our overall health reported to the <i>National Census Survey</i> by residents within each Municipal District.	✓
Health Action 8	Achieve during the lifetime of this plan an increase in the levels of satisfaction regarding our overall health reported to the <i>Cork Quality of Life Survey</i> by residents within each Municipal District.	✓
Health Action 9	In 2017, having regard to existing health surveys and indicators, to identify a programme of actions to establish a <i>Cork Health Index</i> that will measure and monitor the health of residents within the Cork region.	✓
Family and Home Life		Screening Assessment
Family and Home Life	To identify and promote actions which support Family and Home Life as a key conduit for the development of Human Capital and as an important destination for our collective life endeavours.	✓

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Asset Management Goal		
Family and Home Life Action 1	In 2016, in collaboration with the <i>Education Asset Management Group</i> , to develop a programme of actions to continue to promote and enhance the key role played by parents / guardians in terms of early intervention regarding education and life skills.	✓
Family and Home Life Action 2	By 2018, in collaboration with the <i>Cost of Living Asset Management Group</i> , to develop a programme of actions to reduce the financial costs associated with Family and Home Life.	✓
Family and Home Life Action 3	In 2016, in collaboration with the <i>Employment Asset Management Group</i> , to develop a programme of actions to facilitate engagement with employment that is compatible with a healthy and productive Family and Home Life.	✓
Family and Home Life Action 4	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions to remove barriers for families in accessing support services.	✓
Family and Home Life Action 5	By 2018, inform the outputs of the <i>Rural Cork, Urban Cork, Social Activities and Housing Asset Management Groups</i> , by developing a programme of actions that will lead to the provision of housing and public realm that facilitates the needs of Family and Home Life.	✓
Family and Home Life Action 6	By 2018, inform the outputs of the <i>Connectivity and Physical Infrastructure Asset Management Groups</i> , by developing a programme of actions that will lead to the provision of transport that facilitates the needs of Family and Home Life.	✓
Family and Home Life Action 7	Achieve during the lifetime of this plan an increase in the levels of satisfaction regarding Family and Home Life reported to the <i>Cork Quality of Life Survey</i> by residents within each Municipal District.	✓
Family and Home Life Action 8	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a <i>Family and Home Life Index</i> to monitor and measure the key performance indicators of Cork's Family and Home Life environment.	✓
Social Inclusion		Screening Assessment
Social Inclusion	To identify and promote actions that value every resident equally and	✓

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Asset Management Goal	contribute to reducing the number of persons in Cork experiencing consistent poverty, risk of poverty and social / economic exclusion.	
Social Inclusion Action 1	In 2016, and in consultation with the Employment/Income and the Education Asset Management Groups, to develop a programme of actions to facilitate equality of opportunity to all residents in accessing employment and education.	✓
Social Inclusion Action 2	In 2016, building on the suite of interventions already in place, to develop a programme of priority actions to assist those Cork residents who are excluded from participating in the workforce and in education.	✓
Social Inclusion Action 3	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that result in an improvement in recorded deprivation levels in Cork (as measured by the <i>HP Deprivation Index</i>) and particularly in those areas recorded as disadvantaged or very disadvantaged.	✓
Social Inclusion Action 4	During the lifetime of this plan, in consultation with the <i>Connectivity Asset Management Group</i> , to develop a programme of actions to address the physical isolation of residents within the Cork region.	✓
Social Inclusion Action 5	To achieve during the lifetime of this plan an increase in the levels of satisfaction relating to civic engagement and sense of community reported to the <i>Cork Quality of Life Survey</i> by residents within each Municipal District.	✓
Social Inclusion Action 6	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a <i>Social Inclusion Index</i> to monitor and measure social inclusion within the Cork region.	✓
Multi-Culturalism		Screening Assessment
Multi-Culturalism Asset Management Goal	To identify and promote actions that will contribute to Cork's reputation as a high quality place to live and work for persons of all cultural backgrounds.	✓
Multi-Culturalism Action 1	In 2016, to undertake a multi-culture related behaviours and attitudes survey of existing residents.	✓
Multi-Culturalism	In 2017, to identify a programme of actions to promote the social and economic benefits of multiculturalism.	✓

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Action 2		
Multi-Culturalism Action 3	In 2017, to identify policies and actions that will enhance the experiences of cultural minorities living and working in Cork.	✓
Multi-Culturalism Action 4	Achieve during the lifetime of this plan an increase in the levels of satisfaction regarding overall quality of life reported to the <i>Cork Quality of Life Survey</i> by residents originally from abroad living within each Municipal District.	✓
Multi-Culturalism Action 5	During the lifetime of this plan, to establish a <i>Multiculturalism Index</i> that identifies, and commences the measurement of, key performance indicators of Cork's regional multiculturalism.	✓
Social Activities		Screening Assessment
Social Activities Asset Management Goal	To identify and promote actions that will enhance access and quality of engagement of Cork residents to social activities.	✓
Social Activities Action 1	By 2018, to complete an audit of public and private social and amenity infrastructure available for use by Cork residents and to develop a programme of monitoring of same.	✓
Social Activities Action 2	In 2016, to develop and undertake a residents' survey to establish the barriers that exist to their engaging with social activities.	✓
Social Activities Action 3	In 2017, to develop a programme of actions to meet the identified needs of residents and communities in accessing their preferred social activities.	✓
Social Activities Action 4	In 2017, to develop a programme of actions to identify where shared provision can maximise access by residents and communities to their preferred social activities.	✓
Social Activities Action 5	Achieve during the lifetime of this plan an increase in the levels of engagement and satisfaction regarding social activities reported to the <i>Cork Quality of Life Survey</i> by residents within each Municipal District.	✓
Social Activities	In 2018, develop a <i>Cork Social Activities Index</i> that will identify, measure and monitor the availability and quality of social activities to Cork	✓

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Action 6	residents.	
Institutional Relationships		Screening Assessment
Institutional Relationships Asset Management Goal	To identify and promote actions that will expand, enhance and protect stakeholder relationships within the Cork region.	✓
Institutional Relationships Action 1	In 2016, to become the <i>Cork Asset Management Co-Ordination Group</i> to oversee and coordinate the actions and outputs of all <i>Asset Management Groups</i> .	✓
Institutional Relationships Action 2	In 2016, building on existing relationships and initiatives, to develop a programme of actions to protect and enhance existing regional, national and international institutional relationships, and, to develop new institutional relationships.	✓
Institutional Relationships Action 3	During the lifetime of this plan, to establish a <i>Cork Institutional Relationships Index</i> that identifies, and commences the measurement of, the nature and extent of productive institutional relationships within the Cork region.	✓
Arts, Heritage and Culture		Screening Assessment
Arts, Heritage and Culture Asset Management Goal	To identify and promote actions that will enhance access and quality of engagement of Cork residents with all cultural activities.	✓
Arts, Heritage and Culture Action 1	By 2018, to complete an audit of all arts, heritage and culture infrastructure available for use by Cork residents, to underpin the identification of barriers to residents accessing arts and culture.	✓
Arts, Heritage and Culture Action 2	By 2018, to develop a programme of actions to enhance the arts, heritage and culture offering within the Cork region.	✓
Arts, Heritage and Culture	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions to create and promote a regional <i>network</i> of arts, heritage and culture	✓

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Action 3	facilities within the Cork region.	
Arts, Heritage and Culture Action 4	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions to assist community and volunteer groups in their development and maintenance of Cork's arts, heritage and cultural assets.	✓
Arts, Heritage and Culture Action 5	Achieve during the lifetime of this plan an increase in the levels of engagement and satisfaction regarding arts and culture reported to the <i>Cork Quality of Life Survey</i> by residents within each Municipal District.	✓
Arts, Heritage and Culture Action 6	In 2018, develop a <i>Cork Culture Index</i> that will identify, measure and monitor the availability and quality of arts, heritage and culture in the Cork region.	✓
Security		Screening Assessment
Security Asset Management Goal	To identify and promote actions that will enhance security – personal and property related – within the Cork region.	✓
Security Action 1	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions that will reduce the incentive for acts of crime to occur within the Cork region.	✓
Security Action 2	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions that will increase the detection and prosecution rates relating to acts of crime occurring within the Cork region.	✓
Security Action 3	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions that will contribute to the feeling of security among residents within the Cork region.	✓
Security Action 4	During the lifetime of this, to achieve an increase in the level of security reported to the <i>Cork Quality of Life Survey</i> by residents within each Municipal District.	✓
Security Action 5	During the lifetime of this plan, to establish a <i>Cork Security Index</i> that identifies, and commences the measurement of, permanent key performance indicators for security within the Cork region.	✓

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Regulatory Environment		Screening Assessment
Regulatory Environment Asset Management Goal	To identify and promote actions that will enhance Cork's reputation as a location where regulation is applied effectively, and, where ease of doing business is facilitated.	✓
Regulatory Environment Action 1	By 2018, and in collaboration with key regulatory agencies and key stakeholders, develop a programme of actions to enhance Cork's regulatory environment within the economic, social and environmental sectors.	✓
Regulatory Environment Action 2	By 2018, and in collaboration with key regulatory agencies and key stakeholders, develop a programme of actions to identify specific opportunities for inter-agency co-operation in the regulatory sector.	✓
Regulatory Environment Action 3	In 2016, to identify the key regulatory functions undertaken within the Cork region and their linkages to enterprise and communities.	✓
Regulatory Environment Action 4	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions to identify where enhanced technology application can benefit regulatory functions within the Cork region.	✓
Regulatory Environment Action 5	By 2018, to undertake a comparative analysis with the regulatory performance of internationally competitive regions to Cork.	✓
Regulatory Environment Action 6	In 2018, develop a Cork <i>Regulatory Index</i> that will identify, measure and monitor regulatory performance within the Cork region.	✓
Values		Screening Assessment
Values Asset Management Goal	To promote the continued identification, socialisation and protection of the socio-economic values which underpin the Cork region.	✓
Values Action 1	On establishment, to become the Cork <i>Asset Management Forum</i> in order to promote the protection of the socio-economic values which underpin the Cork region.	✓

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Values Action 2	Within the lifetime of this plan, to organise the first <i>Cork Quality of Life Forum</i> event to stimulate socio-economic discussions within the region and to inform our future collective community and economic endeavours.	✓
Values Action 3	To update and undertake the <i>Cork Quality of Life Survey</i> on a five year cycle.	✓
Data Co-Ordination		Screening Assessment
Data Co-Ordination Asset Management Goal	To identify, promote and co-ordinate actions to collect, organise and share data relevant to Cork's <i>Key Assets</i>	✓
Data Co-Ordination Action 1	In 2016, to identify and agree with relevant agencies, a roadmap to achieve collective alignment in the collection, sharing and presentation of data by all public bodies and stakeholders within the Cork region.	✓
Data Co-Ordination Action 2	By 2018, to develop a programme of actions required to create a <i>Cork Data Hub</i> as a repository of collective and aligned, regional data.	✓
Data Co-Ordination Action 3	During the lifetime of this plan, establish a <i>Cork Data Hub</i> that collects, interprets and presents regional data centred on Cork's <i>Key Assets</i> .	✓
Data Co-Ordination Action 4	During the lifetime of this plan and, via the establishment of the <i>Cork Data Hub</i> and combining the data outputs of the <i>Asset Management Groups</i> , make available at regional and Municipal District levels relevant information under Cork's <i>Key Asset</i> headings.	✓
Data Co-Ordination Action 5	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a <i>Cork Asset Index</i> that measures and presents the performance of the Cork region's <i>Key Assets</i> - utilising the data outputs of the <i>Asset Management Groups</i> .	✓
Reputation and Brand		Screening Assessment
Reputation and Brand	To continue and enhance the promotion of the Cork region, as commenced by the <i>Cork Building Our Brand</i> strategy.	✓

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Asset Management Goal		
Reputation and Brand Action 1	In 2016, to engage with the post-LECP <i>Asset Management Structures</i> identified within this plan as a platform to promote Cork's socio-economic offering.	✓
Reputation and Brand Action 2	In 2016, building on existing relationships and initiatives, and in consultation with the <i>Institutional Relationships Asset Management Group</i> , to continue to promote the Cork region, nationally and internationally, as an attractive place to live, work and trade with.	✓
Reputation and Brand Action 3	Within the lifetime of this plan, to inform the work of, and to engage with, the first <i>Cork Quality of Life Forum</i> event.	✓
Reputation and Brand Action 4	To inform inputs into the <i>Cork Quality of Life Survey</i> , to be conducted by the <i>Values Asset Management Group</i> .	✓
Reputation and Brand Action 5	Within the lifetime of this plan, to establish a methodology for the periodic monitoring of Cork's local, national and international reputation.	✓

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3.4 Other plans or projects which could contribute to 'in combination' impacts

Plans which establish how future population growth and development will be managed in the County into the future include the following:

1. National Planning Framework 2016-2026
2. Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy - Southern Region 2016
3. South West Regional Planning Guidelines – 2010-2022
4. Cork County Development Plan - 2014
5. Cork City Development Plan - 2015-2021
6. Cork County Electoral Area Local Area Plans (2011)

- Bandon EA LAP;
- Blarney EA LAP;
- Bantry EA LAP;
- Carrigaline EA LAP;
- Macroom EA LAP;
- Mallow EA LAP;
- Midleton EA LAP;
- Kanturk EA LAP; and
- Skibbereen EA LAP

7. Cork County Town Development Plans
 - Cobh Town (2009-2015);
 - Clonakilty Town (2009-2015);
 - Fermoy Town (2010-2016);
 - Kinsale Town (2009-2015);
 - Macroom Town (2009-2015);
 - Mallow Town (2010-2016);
 - Midelton Town (2013);
 - Skibbereen Town (2009-2015); and
 - Youghal Town (2009-2015).

National policies, programmes, strategies and schemes relating to Climate Change Management, Agriculture, Tourism Development, Renewable Energy Resource Development, Forestry Development will also influence how the county develops over the next 20-50 years.

These include *inter alia*

- National Climate Change Adaptation Framework 2012
- Agriculture
 - Common Agriculture Policy

- Food Harvest 2020
- GLAS Scheme
- People, Place and Policy Growing Tourism to 2025
- National Renewable Energy Action Plan 2010
- Irelands Forestry Programme 2014-2020

4 Recommendations

The key issues identified through the preliminary screening process relate to goals and actions which are likely to influence how land is managed and development is planned and supported throughout the county. These are actions relating to population growth, provision of housing, promotion of industrial development, provision of supporting physical infrastructure and meeting energy needs. While these are mostly non location-specific (with the exception of those relating to Cork Harbour and Cork Airport), actions emerging from these areas could have the potential to increase pressure on environmental resources generally as well as on certain sites which form part of the Natura 2000 network. Increasing levels of development within certain areas of the County may, for instance, increase pressure on water resources within one or more Natura 2000 sites where the protection of water quality and /or the maintenance of stable hydrology is critical to the protection of its qualifying features. Promotion of tourism activity could have the potential to increase recreational pressure within a Natura 2000 site where disturbance of species or the protection of fragile peatland habitats may be an issue. Encouraging the development of renewable energy initiatives within the county may have beneficial consequences by reducing reliance on non renewable energy sources, but could come at a cost for local environmental resources and our Natura network unless properly planned for and sensitively implemented.

It is essential that population growth and associated development is planned and provided for in accordance with basic principles of sustainability and proper planning, and having regard to the requirements of the Birds and Habitats Directives as well as to the SEA and EIA Directives as appropriate. While this may be assumed to be a given, it is recommended that this would be clarified for certain goals and actions where decisions have the potential to have a significant impact on the environment generally as well as on the Natura 2000 network. The following table (**Table 3**) recommends that modifications to specific goals and actions which were identified as having the potential to affect Natura 2000 sites. *It is further recommended that there would be a section of the plan which would clarify that the plan as a whole will be implemented having regard to the principles of sustainability and in accordance with the requirements of environmental legislation.*

Plan Reference	Goal / Action	Recommendation
Human Capital Action 5	In 2016, to engage with the <i>National Planning Framework</i> process, in order to advocate for	In 2016, to engage with the <i>National Planning Framework</i> process, in order to advocate for the <i>sustainable</i> growth of the

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	the growth of the Cork regional population in excess of its growth rates over the past 20 years.	Cork regional population in excess of its growth rates over the past 20 years.
Urban Cork Action 6	On adoption of the planned for <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , and in conjunction with the <i>Rural Cork Asset Management Group</i> , develop a <i>Cork spatial vision</i> that will give effect to the population growth targets set for Cork.	On adoption of the planned for <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , and in conjunction with the <i>Rural Cork Asset Management Group</i> , develop a <i>sustainable Cork spatial vision</i> that will give effect to population growth targets set for Cork <i>whilst ensuring the protection of natural environmental resources</i> .
Urban Cork Action 7	Within the lifetime of this plan, having regard to the targets for Cork as set out in the future <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , and in conjunction with the <i>Rural Cork Asset Management Group</i> , develop a <i>spatial and transportation plan</i> for the Cork region, to be co-ordinated with the programmes of infrastructure delivery agencies.	Within the lifetime of this plan, having regard to the targets for Cork as set out in the future <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , and in conjunction with the <i>Rural Cork Asset Management Group</i> , develop a <i>sustainable spatial and transportation plan compatible with the requirements of the SEA, Birds and Habitats Directives</i> for the Cork region, to be co-ordinated with the programmes of infrastructure delivery agencies.
Rural Cork Asset Management Goal	To promote <i>Rural Cork</i> as a key economic and social asset, to reverse depopulation where it continues to occur and to efficiently manage growing rural area.	To promote <i>Rural Cork</i> as a key <i>environmental</i> , economic and social asset, to reverse depopulation where it continues to occur and to efficiently <i>and sustainably</i> manage growing rural area.
Rural Cork Action 6	On adoption of the planned for <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , and in conjunction with the <i>Urban Cork Asset Management Group</i> , develop a <i>Cork spatial vision</i> that will give effect to the population growth targets set for Cork.	On adoption of the planned for <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , and in conjunction with the <i>Urban Cork Asset Management Group</i> , develop a <i>sustainable Cork spatial vision</i> that will give effect to population growth targets set for Cork <i>whilst ensuring the protection of natural environmental resources</i> .
Rural Cork Action 7	Within the lifetime of this plan, having regard to the targets for Cork as set out in the future <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic</i>	Within the lifetime of this plan, having regard to the targets for Cork as set out in the future <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , and in conjunction with the <i>Urban</i>

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	<p>Strategy, and in conjunction with the <i>Urban Cork Asset Management Group</i>, develop a <i>spatial and transportation plan</i> for the Cork region, to be co-ordinated with the programmes of infrastructure delivery agencies.</p>	<p><i>Cork Asset Management Group</i>, develop a <i>sustainable spatial and transportation plan compatible with the requirements of the SEA, Birds and Habitats Directives</i> for the Cork region, to be co-ordinated with the programmes of infrastructure delivery agencies.</p>
<p>Connectivity Asset Management Goal</p>	<p>To identify and promote actions that will enhance Cork’s physical and telecommunications connectivity – locally, regionally, nationally and internationally.</p>	<p>To identify and promote actions that will enhance Cork’s physical and telecommunications connectivity – locally, regionally, nationally and internationally <i>in a manner that is compatible with protection and sustainable management of our natural resources.</i></p>
<p>Connectivity Action 6</p>	<p>By 2018, to develop a <i>regional transport plan</i> and a programme of actions toward the creation of a regional transport network that</p> <p>a) will provide real choice to residents as to how they travel and how they construct their journeys within Cork;</p> <p>b) that facilitates the efficient interaction of Cork County, Cork Ring and Metropolitan Cork transport assets;</p> <p>c) that facilitates the efficient interaction of road, bus, rail, air and marine transport infrastructure; and</p> <p>d) that accommodates industry needs regarding the movement of materials, goods and people.</p>	<p>By 2018, to develop a <i>sustainable regional transport plan</i> and a programme of actions toward the creation of a regional transport network that</p> <p>a) will provide real choice to residents as to how they travel and how they construct their journeys within Cork;</p> <p>b) that facilitates the efficient interaction of Cork County, Cork Ring and Metropolitan Cork transport assets;</p> <p>c) that facilitates the efficient interaction of road, bus, rail, air and marine transport infrastructure; and</p> <p>d) that accommodates industry needs regarding the movement of materials, goods and people. <i>The plan and programme of actions will be prepared in a manner which is compatible with the requirements of the SEA, Birds and Habitats Directives.</i></p>
<p>Connectivity Action 7</p>	<p>On adoption of the planned for <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i>, to inform the outputs of <i>Rural Cork and Urban Cork Asset Management Groups</i> in their development of a <i>Cork spatial vision</i> that will give effect to the population growth targets set for Cork.</p>	<p>On adoption of the planned for <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i>, and in conjunction with the <i>Rural Cork Asset Management Group</i>, develop a <i>sustainable Cork spatial vision</i> that will give effect to population growth targets set for Cork <i>whilst ensuring the protection of natural environmental resources.</i></p>

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<p>Connectivity</p> <p>Action 8</p>	<p>Within the lifetime of this plan, having regard to the targets for Cork as set out in the future <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i>, and in conjunction with the <i>Rural Cork</i> and <i>Urban Cork Asset Management Group</i>, develop a <i>spatial and transportation plan</i> for the Cork region, to be co-ordinated with the programmes of infrastructure delivery agencies.</p>	<p>Within the lifetime of this plan, having regard to the targets for Cork as set out in the future <i>National Planning Framework</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i>, and in conjunction with the <i>Rural Cork Asset Management Group</i>, develop a <i>sustainable spatial and transportation plan compatible with the requirements of the SEA, Birds and Habitats Directives</i> for the Cork region, to be co-ordinated with the programmes of infrastructure delivery agencies.</p>
<p>Housing</p> <p>Asset Management Goal</p>	<p>To promote and co-ordinate actions that will provide for housing choice that enables the people of Cork, now and in the future, to have attractive places to live, suited to their needs and at costs that they can afford.</p>	<p>To promote and co-ordinate actions that will provide for <i>sustainable</i> housing choices that <i>enable</i> the people of Cork, now and in the future, to have attractive places to live, suited to their needs and at costs that they can afford <i>whilst ensuring the protection of natural environmental resources and in a manner that is compatible with the requirements of the Birds and Habitats Directives</i>.</p>
<p>Housing</p> <p>Action 2</p>	<p>During the lifetime of this plan to inform and collaborate with the <i>Physical Infrastructure</i> and <i>Connectivity Asset Management Groups</i>, to ensure that the physical infrastructure needs required to facilitate housing provision are adequately met.</p>	<p>During the lifetime of this plan to inform and collaborate with the <i>Physical Infrastructure</i> and <i>Connectivity Asset Management Groups</i>, to ensure that the physical infrastructure needs required to facilitate housing provision are adequately met <i>whilst ensuring the protection of natural environmental resources and in a manner that is compatible with the requirements of the Birds and Habitats Directives</i>.</p>
<p>Housing</p> <p>Action 4</p>	<p>During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will contribute to the provision of a consistent supply of housing to serve the Cork region.</p>	<p>During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will contribute to the provision of a <i>sustainable</i> consistent supply of housing to serve the Cork region.</p>
<p>Housing</p> <p>Action 7</p>	<p>During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will maximise housing choice – by type and location – to residents within the Cork region.</p>	<p>During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will maximise housing choice – by type and location – to residents within the Cork region <i>whilst ensuring the protection of natural environmental resources and in a manner</i></p>

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		<i>that is compatible with the requirements of the Birds and Habitats Directives.</i>
Physical Infrastructure Asset Management Goal	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will protect and enhance Cork's existing physical infrastructure assets, by identifying the future physical infrastructural needs of the region.	To promote and co-ordinate <i>sustainable</i> actions that will protect and enhance Cork's existing physical infrastructure assets, by identifying the future physical infrastructural needs of the region.
Physical Infrastructure Action 1	During the lifetime of this plan and via ongoing consultation, ensure that the physical infrastructure needs of businesses and communities are adequately met.	During the lifetime of this plan and via ongoing consultation, ensure that the physical infrastructure needs of businesses and communities are adequately met <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the County.</i>
Physical Infrastructure Action 3	During the lifetime of this plan, advocate for and identify opportunities for the advance provision of physical infrastructure to serve the community and economic needs of the Cork region.	During the lifetime of this plan, advocate for and identify opportunities for the advance provision of physical infrastructure to serve the community and economic needs of the Cork region <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the County.</i>
Physical Infrastructure Action 4	During the lifetime of this plan, to support and contribute to the development of smart infrastructure within the Cork region.	During the lifetime of this plan, to support and contribute to the development of smart infrastructure within the Cork region <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the County.</i>
Physical Infrastructure Action 6	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will maximise socio-economic gains from physical infrastructure investment while mitigating negative impacts on our supporting natural environment.	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will maximise socio-economic gains from physical infrastructure investment <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the County.</i>
Physical Infrastructure Action 8	Within the lifetime of this plan and having regard to the outputs of the <i>National Planning Strategy</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , to collaborate with the <i>Rural Cork</i> and <i>Urban Cork Asset Management Groups</i>	Within the lifetime of this plan and having regard to the outputs of the <i>National Planning Strategy</i> and <i>Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy</i> , to collaborate with the <i>Rural Cork</i> and <i>Urban Cork Asset Management Groups</i> in their development of a <i>sustainable</i> spatial and transportation

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	in their development of a spatial and transportation plan for the Cork region, to be co-ordinated with the programmes of infrastructure delivery agencies.	plan <i>compatible with the requirements of the SEA, Birds and Habitats Directives</i> for the Cork region, to be co-ordinated with the programmes of infrastructure delivery agencies.
<p>Natural Environment and Climate Change</p> <p>Asset Management Goal</p>	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will ensure the long-term net consequences on the natural environment (locally and globally), as well as on our personal and social well-being, are considered through the management of Cork's key assets, choosing a route that is most likely to give the best possible outcome.	To promote and co-ordinate actions <i>relating to the management of Cork's key assets</i> that will ensure the long-term net consequences on the natural environment (locally and globally), as well as on our personal and social well-being, are considered <i>in accordance with requirements of environmental legislation</i> , choosing a route that <i>will give</i> the best possible outcome <i>for the environment as well as for people</i> .
<p>Energy</p> <p>Asset Management Goal</p>	To identify and promote actions that will reduce Cork's overall energy usage, increase the proportional usage of non-fossil based fuels generated within the region and promote Cork's overall potential within the energy sector.	To identify and promote actions that will reduce Cork's overall energy usage, increase the proportional usage of non-fossil based fuels generated within the region <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the County</i> and promote Cork's overall potential within the energy sector.
<p>Energy</p> <p>Action 1</p>	Within the lifetime of this plan, in collaboration with key stakeholders, and, within the context of the policies set down in <i>Ireland's Transition to a Low Carbon Energy Future 2015-2030</i> , draft a <i>Strategic Energy Plan</i> for the Cork region that will identify a range of actions required to achieve increased energy efficiencies and increased local sources of sustainable energy, within medium term targets set out for the region.	Within the lifetime of this plan, in collaboration with key stakeholders, and, within the context of the policies set down in <i>Ireland's Transition to a Low Carbon Energy Future 2015-2030</i> , draft a <i>Strategic Energy Plan compatible with the requirements of the SEA, Birds and Habitats Directives</i> for the Cork region that will identify a range of actions required to achieve increased energy efficiencies and increased local sources of sustainable energy, within medium term targets set out for the region.
<p>Energy</p> <p>Action 2</p>	By 2018, in collaboration with Cork's energy-based research institutions, to draft a scoping report on the development of an <i>Energy Research Plan</i> for the Cork region, to maximise the energy-based research potential within Cork.	By 2018, in collaboration with Cork's energy-based research institutions, to draft a scoping report on the development of an <i>Energy Research Plan</i> for the Cork region, to maximise the energy-based research potential within Cork <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the County</i> .

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Clustering Asset Management Goal	To support the development of internationally focused cluster eco-systems in the Cork region.	To support the <i>sustainable</i> development of internationally focused cluster eco-systems in the Cork region.
Clustering Action 1	Via institutional research, to develop targeted policy actionable at a regional level with a focus on developing a <i>Cluster Strategy</i> for Cork which is cognisant of internationalisation, innovation, product development and research commercialisation.	Via institutional research, to develop targeted policy actionable at a regional level with a focus on developing a <i>sustainable Cluster Strategy</i> for Cork which is cognisant of internationalisation, innovation, product development and research commercialisation <i>while protecting the natural environmental resources of the County.</i>
Clustering Action 2	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions relating to clustering in the Cork region that will support the implementation of the <i>South West Region Action Plan for Jobs 2015-2017.</i>	In 2016, to develop a <i>sustainable</i> programme of actions relating to clustering in the Cork region that will support the implementation of the <i>South West Region Action Plan for Jobs 2015-2017.</i>
Clustering Action 3	By 2018, in collaboration with the <i>Connectivity Asset Management Group</i> and in order to enhance cluster opportunities, to develop a programme of actions to facilitate the creation of a physical network that will enable the creation of interactions and clusters within the Cork region.	By 2018, in collaboration with the <i>Connectivity Asset Management Group</i> and in order to enhance cluster opportunities, to develop a programme of actions to facilitate the creation of a <i>sustainable</i> physical network that will enable the creation of interactions and clusters within the Cork region.
Export Market Asset Management Goal	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will provide for increased exports from the Cork region, by growing existing exports sectors and developing new export sectors.	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will provide for increased exports from the Cork region, by <i>sustainably</i> growing existing exports sectors and developing new export sectors.
Export Market Action 6	In 2016, to develop a programme of location-based actions that will protect and enhance existing export sectors operational within the Cork region, with particular reference to safeguarding and growing rural export-based activities.	In 2016, to develop a programme of location-based actions that will protect and enhance existing export sectors operational within the Cork region, with particular reference to safeguarding and growing rural export-based activities <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the County.</i>
Tourism	To identify and promote actions	To identify and promote actions that will

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Asset Management Goal	that will grow Cork's domestic and international tourism visitors and increase revenue accruing from same.	<i>sustainably</i> grow Cork's domestic and international tourism visitors and increase revenue accruing from same.
Tourism Action 1	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions that will inform and support the work of <i>Visit Cork Ltd.</i> , as set out in <i>Growing Tourism in Cork – A Collective Strategy 2015 – 2020</i> .	During the lifetime of this plan, to develop a <i>sustainable</i> programme of actions that will inform and support the work of <i>Visit Cork Ltd.</i> , as set out in <i>Growing Tourism in Cork – A Collective Strategy 2015 – 2020 in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the County</i> .
Cork Airport Asset Management Goal	To identify and promote actions that will protect and enhance Cork Airport's key role in the economic and social development of the Cork region.	To identify and promote actions that will protect and enhance Cork Airport's key role in the economic and social development of the Cork region <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the County</i> .
Cork Airport Action 1	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions to expand the revenue base of Cork Airport in order to underpin its future growth.	In 2016, to develop a programme of actions to expand the revenue base of Cork Airport in order to underpin its future growth <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the County</i> .
Cork Airport Action 4	In 2016, to engage with the local authorities and key stakeholders to develop a programme of actions to progress the objectives set out in the <i>Special Local Area Plan</i> for Cork Airport.	In 2016, to engage with the local authorities and key stakeholders to develop a programme of actions to progress the objectives set out in the <i>Special Local Area Plan</i> for Cork Airport <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the County</i> .
Cork Harbour Asset Management Goal	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will maximise the regional socio-economic potential of Cork Harbour by aligning the economic, environmental, social and cultural needs of this integrated area.	To promote and co-ordinate actions that will maximise the regional socio-economic potential of Cork Harbour by aligning the economic, environmental, social and cultural needs of this integrated area <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the harbour area</i> .
Cork Harbour Action 2	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions to protect and enhance the economic, cultural and social capacities of the Cork harbour	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions to protect and enhance the economic, cultural and social capacities of the Cork harbour area <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting</i>

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	area.	<i>the natural environmental resources of the harbour.</i>
Cork Harbour Action 3	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions to facilitate the relocation of industries from the Upper Harbour area.	Within the lifetime of this plan, to develop a programme of actions to facilitate the relocation of industries from the Upper Harbour area <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the harbour and which complies with the Habitats and Birds Directives.</i>
Cork Harbour Action 5	Within the lifetime of this plan, in collaboration with the <i>Connectivity Assets Management Group</i> , to develop a programme of actions to enhance connectivity between the Cork Harbour area and Metropolitan Cork and, in particular, enhancing public transport and water-based connections.	Within the lifetime of this plan, in collaboration with the <i>Connectivity Assets Management Group</i> , to develop a programme of actions to enhance connectivity between the Cork Harbour area and Metropolitan Cork and, in particular, enhancing public transport and water-based connections <i>in a manner which is compatible with protecting the natural environmental resources of the harbour and which complies with the Habitats and Birds Directives.</i>

5 Habitats Directive Screening Conclusion

The LECP will align with national and regional plans and strategies and will seek to implement the objectives and policies of county level development plans. All of the county level plans have been subject to assessment in accordance with the requirements of the Habitats and Birds Directives.

While older higher level strategic plans including the NSS were not subject to Habitats Directive Assessment as they were prepared prior to the introduction of the Planning and Development Act 2010 or the Birds and Natural Habitats Regulations 2011, it is envisaged that new iterations of these plans will be subject to this assessment as they are developed, and that the LECP will align with these plans and strategies. Where such plans have not been subject to the Habitats Directive Assessment, *the LECP will align with the policies contained in these only where the policies are found to be compatible with the Birds and Natural Habitats Directives.*

The changes which are recommended in this report will be made to the final Local Economic and Community Plan. These changes seek to clarify and emphasise that further plans, actions or projects which may emerge arising from this plan which have a bearing on land use and management and on how environmental resources are to be managed, and will be developed

having regard to the principles of sustainability, and in a manner which will ensure compatibility and compliance with key pieces of environmental legislation including the Habitats and Birds Directives, as well as the SEA and EIA Directives. They also clarify that higher level strategic plans including the National Spatial Strategy and Regional Planning Guidelines (as listed in section 3.5 above), to which this plan is aligned, are also subject to the same legislation.

On this basis, it is considered that potential for the plan to give rise to negative impacts on one or more Natura 2000 sites, when considered either as a stand-alone plan, or when considered in combination with other plans which set the planning and development framework for the County, can be ruled out. It is concluded therefore that there is no requirement for the draft plan to be subject to Appropriate Assessment.

6 Next Steps

The draft plan and this report will be published and made available to the public for a period of 4 weeks up to 4pm on May 12th. Comments / submissions can be made up to 4pm on May 12th online and in writing, as follows:

- By visiting www.corkcountylecp.com
- By writing to *Local Economic and Community Plan Submission, Planning Policy Unit, Floor 13, County Hall, Cork.*

On completion of this consultation process, the plan will be finalised, having regard to all comments and submissions received. The final LECP will then be subject of final appraisal by the Municipal Districts, LCDCs, Economic SPC and Regional Assembly, to be finally adopted by Cork County Council. Any proposed amendments to be made to the plan will be subject to Habitats Directive screening process and a Habitats Directive Screening Report or Natura Impact Report will be prepared in respect of that plan and will be published as part of the final LECP.

7 Sources of Information

7.1 National Parks and Wildlife Service Data

Information relating to individual Natura 2000 sites including Article 17 Conservation Assessment Reports for Habitats and Species In Ireland (2013), individual site synopses, Natura 2000 data forms, and information relating to the qualifying features and conservation objectives of individual sites was sourced from the NPWS database (www.NPWS.ie)

7.2 Guidance

Guidance used in the preparation of this report included the following:

European Communities, Managing Natura 2000 sites. The provisions of Article 6 of the Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC. European Communities, 2000.

European Communities, 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 Communities, 2001.

Environment, Heritage and Local Government. Appropriate Assessment of Plans and Projects in Ireland. Guidance for Planning Authorities. 2009.

