

## **Offaly County Council and Tullamore Town Council**

**Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.**

**Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations (as amended) (S.I. No. 436 of 2004 and S.I. No. 201 of 2011)**

### **Determination regarding the need for Strategic Environmental Assessment of Proposed Variation No. 2 to the Tullamore and Environs Development Plan 2010-2016.**

On the 9<sup>th</sup> of May 2013 and the 20<sup>th</sup> of May 2013, having considered Proposed Variation No. 2 to the Tullamore Town and Environs Development Plan 2010-2016 and the Manager's Report on the written submissions received, the members of Tullamore Town Council and Offaly County Council respectively resolved to adopt Variation No. 2.

In accordance with the Planning and Development (Strategic Environmental Assessment) Regulations 2004 (as amended), the potential for likely significant effects on the environment, of implementing the proposed Variation, have been assessed and, having consulted the prescribed Environmental Authorities, the Planning Authority has determined that the Variation is not likely to have significant effects on the environment and therefore a Strategic Environmental Assessment, is not required.

A detailed report entitled, 'SEA Screening Report Variation No. 2' resulting in this Determination is available for inspection upon request.

On the basis of the assessment carried out in above mentioned screening report and consideration of the criteria as set out in Schedule 2A of the Regulations, it was considered that Variation No. 2 is unlikely to give rise to significant environmental effects, once the environmental policies and objectives within the Tullamore Town and Environs Development Plan 2010-2016 are adhered to and implemented; and therefore does not require an SEA.

28<sup>th</sup> May 2013

Administrative Officer

Planning and Economic Development Section