

SLIGO COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2011-2017

APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT - SCREENING REPORT - APPENDIX

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF
ARTICLE 6(3) OF THE EU HABITATS DIRECTIVE

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The following tables outline the screening of policies and objectives of the Sligo County Development Plan 2011-2017. Changes to the policies and objectives implemented following this screening are outlined in red type.

Table 1: Screening of Objectives and Policies

Objectives and Policies	Potential Impact	Risk of Significant Impact (y/n)	Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Policy Deletion OR Amendment
<p>Core Aims Taking account of recent policy developments, current trends, the achievements of the previous Development Plan and the collective implications of the above for the period to 2017, the core aims of this Plan are:</p>			
<p>CA-1 To develop the full potential of each part of County Sligo to contribute to the optimal performance of the County as a whole – economically, socially and environmentally;</p>	<p>Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4, P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2</p>
<p>CA-2 To adequately provide for the growth of Sligo towards a target population of up to 74,000 by 2017, structured in a balanced manner between: – the Gateway City of Sligo (up to 34,000) – the wider area of County Sligo (up to 40,000), encompassing the consolidation of Key Support Towns and smaller settlements, and the maintenance of viable rural communities in the hinterlands of these towns and villages.</p>	<p>Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4, P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2</p>
<p>CA-3 To support the implementation of the Gateway status for Sligo City, as set out in the NSS, the RPGs and as provided for in the Sligo and Environs Development Plan 2010-2016, by ensuring the structured and orderly development of Sligo as a compact and sustainable city;</p>	<p>Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4, P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-</p>

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<p>CA-4 To sustain the vitality of urban and rural communities throughout the County in a way that will complement the vibrancy of the Gateway and reinforce the identity of Sligo, ensuring that culture is central to its identity and to the quality of life for all those who live, work and visit the County;</p>	Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4, P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
<p>CA-5 To ensure that the nationally – and internationally – renowned natural and cultural heritage of Sligo is wisely conserved and enhanced, both as a driver of Sligo’s identity and attractiveness for investment and business activities, and as a key legacy to be handed forward to future generations.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>CA-6 To build up the regional-level linkages between County Sligo and other parts of the Border Region and adjoining regions, such as the Western Region and Northern Ireland, by supporting the implementation of regional spatial strategies, such as the Border Regional Planning Guidelines, collaborating on support for critical enabling infrastructure, such as inter-regional road and rail linkages, and co-operating on areas of mutual planning interest.</p>	Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4, P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
Strategic Goals			
<p>SG-1 Supporting balanced economic development a. Facilitate and encourage the development of Sligo as a Gateway City and economic growth driver for the North-West region. b. Integrate business locations with the surrounding land uses and transportation network. c. Promote economic development and the provision of industry/enterprise in the Key Support Towns of Tobercurry, Ballymote and Enniscrone.</p>	Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4, P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-

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<p>d. Promote rural/agricultural diversification, through the sustainable use of natural resources, e.g. tourism, forestry, energy production.</p> <p>e. Market and promote Sligo as an attractive place to live and work.</p> <p>f. Involve Sligo Institute of Technology in the promotion of Sligo as a centre of third-level education and hence an attractive place for investment.</p> <p>g. Promote Sligo City and County as a suitable location for the relocation of state and/or semi-state bodies.</p> <p>h. Work with the relevant providers of to ensure adequate infrastructure in terms of road, rail, aviation, energy and broadband telecommunications.</p> <p>i. Work in partnership with key organisations, such as the Industrial Development Authority and Enterprise Ireland, whose remit it is to promote and/or secure economic development.</p> <p>j. Facilitate and encourage the sustainable development of the creative and cultural industries as a driver of the local economy.</p> <p>k. Work with Fáilte Ireland, Sligo Marketing Forum and the County Development Board on the development of niche cultural tourism initiatives as an economic growth driver for the County.</p>	<p>watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.</p>		<p>RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2</p>
<p>SG-2. Carefully managing development patterns</p> <p>a. Implement a clear spatial development strategy that maintains the distinctive landscape attributes of Sligo.</p> <p>b. Promote a balanced settlement pattern in urban areas, while facilitating sustainable rural settlement.</p> <p>c. Encourage, in the Sligo Subregion, a mix of land uses in villages with connections to efficient public transportation systems, to reduce growth in car-based commuting patterns, to reduce inefficient use of energy and resources and to promote social inclusion and more sustainable development patterns.</p> <p>d. Encourage the location of new strategic economic developments in and around key urban centres in order to strengthen the Gateway City and Key Support Towns.</p> <p>e. Counteract tendencies towards extensive ribbon development and urban sprawl, particularly on the immediate environs of Sligo City and Key Support Towns.</p> <p>f. Strengthen existing rural communities, by ensuring that the planning system facilitates the housing needs of persons with roots in, or links to rural areas, as provided for in the NSS, as well as local enterprise initiatives.</p>	<p>Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.</p>	Y	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4, P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2</p>
<p>SG-3 Conserving environmental quality</p> <p>a. Wisely conserve and manage the natural and cultural heritage of the County, including the character of the landscape, views and prospects, and the environmental quality of the County.</p> <p>b. Conserve the landscape character and ecological integrity of the coastal zone.</p> <p>c. Enhance the physical environment of towns and villages through the Urban and Village Renewal Scheme and other urban design initiatives.</p> <p>d. Support applicants and potential applicants in ensuring that environmental and landscape matters are considered in the initial stages of development proposals.</p> <p>e. Protect and where necessary improve water quality within the County</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	N	
<p>SG-4 Driving urban renewal</p> <p>a. Drive the process of regenerating derelict and under-used areas within the County's towns and villages.</p> <p>b. Conserve the historic form and character of the towns and villages.</p> <p>c. Promote Sligo City as the main retail and service centre, with support from Tobercurry, Ballymote, Enniscrone, and promote Collooney and Grange as lower-tier retail/service centres.</p>	<p>Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during</p>	Y	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4, P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7,</p>

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<p>SG-5 Promoting effective transportation</p> <p>a. Target, prioritise and promote investment in inter-city and inter-county road and rail connections, as a means of realising the potential of Sligo as an important economic centre in the North-West.</p> <p>b. Promote the development of settlements along existing and former railway lines, so as to facilitate future rail initiatives in the County, with adequate reservations for park-and-ride facilities.</p> <p>c. Integrate the public transportation system with a quality bus and rail service, alongside the promotion of cycle and pedestrian facilities within and adjacent to existing settlements.</p> <p>d. Encourage large employers, including public services (such as schools) to locate on sites close to village and urban centres, where public transport can be provided more easily.</p> <p>e. Promote 'commuter planning' for large employers in the County.</p> <p>f. Promote the development of quality interchange facilities between road, rail, bus and bicycle in Sligo City Centre, Key Support Towns and settlements along rail corridors.</p> <p>g. Promote community transport services, in particular the Rural Transport Initiative, aimed at people who are excluded, or who may become excluded because transport is not available.</p> <p>h. Promote and support the development and use of Sligo Regional Airport so as to ensure a better level and frequency of service and enhance Sligo's accessibility to tourists and businesses, both nationally and internationally.¹</p>	Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4, P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
<p>SG-6 Delivering improved infrastructure</p> <p>a. Provide adequate water and sewerage capacity to accommodate the projected needs of the future population ensuring the sustainable use of water resources.</p> <p>b. Maximise the use of existing water, sewerage, electricity and telecommunications networks and support the provision of broadband.</p> <p>c. Promote the development of gas supply and alternative energy forms in County Sligo.</p> <p>d. Encourage energy-efficient building, layout and design.</p> <p>e. Implement the Connaught Regional Waste Management Plan 2006-2011 and successor documents and provide the necessary waste management infrastructure.</p>	Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P- P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 8, 10.

¹ Further development and/or intensification of Sligo Airport may have to be accompanied by sufficient amounts of infrastructure and/or increases in the capacity of existing infrastructure - including supporting public and private transport and water infrastructure and services. Significant amounts of greenfield lands, may be required for any expansion with significant residual impacts likely on the landscape. Potential conflicts could arise between further development and/or intensification and ecology and additional amounts of greenhouse gas emissions, energy usage and noise emissions could be generated. Further development and/or intensification may be required to undergo Environmental Impact Assessment through which both the need for the proposed project and alternatives for providing for the need would have to be thoroughly examined.

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	indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.		P-REN-2
Strategic spatial development policies			
<p>SP-SD-1 Promote residential and employment growth in the Gateway City of Sligo.</p>	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided SP-Z-6, P-TOU-4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, O-NH-18, P-NH-28,29 & 30, P-WW-1, P-WW-7, P-WW-10, O-WW-8, P-WQ-1 to 6, O-WQ-1,3,6,8 & 10
<p>SP-SD-2 Support the ongoing development of the Atlantic Road Corridor, and the upgrading of road links to other NSS Gateways, important urban centres and Northern Ireland.</p>	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided P-N2000-1 to 5
<p>SP-SD-3 Promote public transport by road and rail and support the reopening of the Western Rail Corridor.</p>	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided P-N2000-1 to 5, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, O-NH-18 & 19, P-NH-19,20,24,28,29 & 30, P-WW-1, P-WW-7, P-WW-10, O-WW-8, P-WQ-1 to 6, O-WQ-1,3,6,8 & 10
<p>SP-SD-4 Seek co-ordination between residential/economic development and transport corridors and encourage concentration of such development at locations that are optimally served by existing and planned road/rail connections.</p>	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-N2000-1 to 5, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, O-NH-18 & 19, P-NH-19,20,24,28,29 & 30, P-WW-1, P-WW-7, P-WW-10, O-WW-8, P-WQ-1 to 6, O-WQ-1,3,6,8 & 10
<p>SP-SD-5 Outside the Gateway, direct growth into towns and villages and promote compact settlement forms.</p>	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-1, 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, P-WW-7, P-WW-10, O-WW-6 &

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<p>SP-SD-6 Establish a system of buffer zones around settlements so as to restrict sprawl and the possible merging of distinct settlement areas. These buffer zones will be determined by setting "Plan limits" as part of the preparation of local area plans and mini-plans.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>SP-SD-7 Monitor and strictly control residential and commercial development in the Gateway Satellites/villages in the Subregion.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>SP-SD-8 Consolidate the three Key Support Towns of Ballymote (serving South Sligo), Enniscrone (serving West Sligo) and Tobercurry (serving South-West Sligo) by providing them with an appropriate range of services including social infrastructure, retail, office, commercial and enterprise facilities to enable them to serve their respective rural catchments in an optimal manner.</p>	<p>Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. (Killala Bay/Moy Estuary SAC/SPA) Pollution of watercourses/groundwater from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks (Turloughmore SAC)</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-1 & 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6, O-WQ-1,3,6,8 & 10</p>
<p>SP-SD-9 Revitalise small villages through the promotion of limited development within their built-up areas (on infill sites, vacant sites and backlands) in preference to continued ribbon development on the approach roads, thereby ensuring the efficient use of public infrastructure and providing a suitable alternative to rural housing.</p>	<p>Pollution of watercourses/groundwater from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-1 & 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6, O-WQ-1,3,6,8 & 10</p>
<p>SP-SD-10 Carefully manage development patterns in rural areas and facilitate sustainable activities or uses that help preserve the vitality of rural communities while protecting the environment and heritage of the County.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>SP-SD-11 Ensure that sensitive coastal environments are generally maintained free from development between settlements, except where there are proposals for significant public infrastructure (e.g. roads, piers, marinas) or where significant public benefit may arise.</p>	<p>Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-1 & 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6, O-WQ-1,3,6,8 & 10</p>

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Strategic spatial development objectives			
SO-SD-1 Review the existing local area plans for the Key Support Towns of Ballymote and Enniscrone by 2014.	A review of these LAPs may lead to additional land being zoned and subsequent development. Development in Enniscrone may lead to impacts on Killala Bay /Moy Estuary SAC/SPA including potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks. WW from Ballymote discharges to the Ballymote stream, which is a tributary of the Owenmore River, which flows into the Templehouse and Cloonadeigha Lough SAC. Increased development in Ballymote	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SO-SD-2 Prepare a local area plan for the Key Support Town of Tobercurry by 2014.	Wastewater from Tobercurry is discharged to the Tubbercurry River, a tributary of the River Moy SAC. Development in Tobercurry may impact indirectly on this SAC through pollution of the Tobercurry river. Development as a result of implementation of an LAP may result in potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SO-SD-3 Review Strandhill Local Area Plan by 2012.	Strandhill is adjacent to the Ballysadare Bay SAC/SPA and the Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay SAC/SPA. Development as a result of implementation of an LAP may result in potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13,

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			14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SO-SD-4 Amend Charlestown-Bellaghy Local Area Plan following the adoption of this Plan, if required for compliance with this development plan.	Charlestown-Bellaghy is located on the River Moy SAC. Amendments to the plan may result in development that could lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SO-SD-5 Prepare a local area plan for any other area in the County that might come under significant development pressure during the lifetime of this development plan.	Development as a result of implementation of an LAP may result in potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
Strategic Settlement Policies			
SP-S-1 Recognising the role of the Gateway City of Sligo as a key driver of social and economic development in the County and in the North-West, support its growth towards a population of 34,000 by 2017.	Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT 4. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5, P-REN-2
SP-S-2 Encourage growth in the Gateway and Key Support Towns by applying a moratorium on multiple	Any development within the county	Y	The following

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<p>housing developments in the settlements listed in Schedule 3.X until the year 2013, when a review should be undertaken based on new Census figures. The moratorium shall apply exclusively to multiple housing schemes and should not affect infill development, renovations, replacements and subdivisions of existing units. Applications for multiple residential development will not normally be permitted, except where they replace previously permitted development (live permission only) consisting of the same or a higher number of units. The moratorium shall exclude applications for social and special-needs housing.</p>	<p>could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.</p>		<p>objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2</p>
<p>SP-S-3 Manage growth in the Gateway's principal and secondary satellites so as to ensure that the population in these settlements does not exceed the levels set out in the Housing Strategy 2011-2017 (shown in Tables 3.N and 3.O).</p>	<p>Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.</p>	Y	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2</p>
<p>SP-S-4 Encourage population growth in the Key Support Towns of Ballymote, Enniscrone and Tobercurry to the levels set out in the Housing Strategy 2011-2017 (shown in Table 3.P.)</p>	<p>Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.</p>	Y	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2</p>
<p>SP-S-5 Support and facilitate appropriate population growth in smaller settlements throughout the County, to the levels set out in Table 3.Q, based on mini-plans, subject to availability of infrastructural capacity.</p>	<p>Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000</p>	Y	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided:</p>

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	network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.		SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SP-S-6 In settlements for which no mini-plans are available, facilitate small-scale residential growth of maximum 10% of existing development, subject to availability of infrastructural capacity.	Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SP-S-7 In order to ensure that development takes place in accordance with the Settlement and Housing Strategies, cumulated permitted residential development, if occupied, should not lead to more than 10% excess in the allocated population for each settlement during the lifetime of this Plan.	Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
Strategic Settlement Policies			
SO-S-1 Implement a system of monitoring residential vacancy in all settlements, and particularly in those subject to a moratorium on new residential development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SO-S-2 Review the moratorium on residential development in 2013 as part of the Manager's Progress Report on the implementation of the CDP objectives, in accordance with the <i>plan-monitor-manage</i> approach stated in this	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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Plan.			
Zoning principles The approach to zoning is based on the following Zoning Principles:			
ZP-1 the requirement to reserve land for residential development in accordance with the preferred population growth scenario, the Core Strategy, the Settlement Structure and the Draft RPG recommendations;	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss if land is reserved for development within or adjacent to Natura site/s. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks if discharge is directly to a surface/ground water sensitive Natura site/s.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-1 & 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6, O-WQ-1,3,6,8 & 10
ZP-2 the need to provide suitably-located lands for a variety of uses, including commercial, enterprise, community facilities, open space, sports and recreation amenities to serve and complement residential uses;.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss if land developed within or adjacent to Natura site/s. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks if discharge is directly to a surface/ground water sensitive Natura site/s.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-1 & 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6, O-WQ-1,3,6,8 & 10
ZP-3 the core aim of protecting the environment, landscape setting and heritage in and around settlements	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
ZP-4 the goal of consolidating Sligo settlements	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss if land developed within or adjacent to Natura site/s. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks if discharge is directly to a surface/ground water sensitive Natura site/s.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-1 & 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6, O-WQ-1,3,6,8 & 10
ZP-5 the principle of sequential development	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Strategic Zoning Policies			
SP-Z-1 Use zoning to promote the sustainable development of compact, liveable, pedestrian-friendly	No negative impacts anticipated from	N	

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settlements, with a defined commercial/retail core and an adequate economic basis. No lands shall be zoned for development in isolation, outside the development limits of settlements.	implementation of objective/policy		
SP-Z-2 Ensure that sufficient land is available for a wide range of non-residential uses at appropriate locations in order to achieve balanced development of the County as a whole.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SP-Z-3 Ensure that the amount of land zoned for residential uses is consistent with the requirements of the Settlement and Housing Strategies and the provisions of the (Draft) Border Regional Planning Guidelines. Land proposed for zoning in excess of requirements, if any, shall be included in a strategic reserve for potential development after the lifetime of this Plan, in accordance with the Settlement and Housing Strategy in operation at that stage.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SP-Z-4 Facilitate mixes of uses appropriate for each area, with a view to reducing the need to travel by car between home, work/school and local facilities.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SP-Z-5 Prioritise the redevelopment of under-utilised and brownfield lands over greenfield, particularly in the Key Support Towns and Gateway Satellites, thus increasing the efficient use of essential infrastructure.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SP-Z-6 Protect designated nature conservation sites, landscape, archaeology, valuable natural amenity areas, water and natural resources through appropriate zoning designations, while allowing for the possible further expansion of settlements in the long-term.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SP-Z-7 Make adequate land reservations for the development of future infrastructural projects.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SP-Z-8 Provide a clear demarcation between settlement built-up areas and the surrounding countryside through appropriate zoning objectives, development limits and plan limits.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Strategic economic development policies			
SP-ED-1 Ensure that sufficient and suitable land is reserved for new enterprise development at key locations throughout the County, particularly in the Key Support Towns of Tobercurry, Ballymote and Enniscrone, and promote these towns as secondary employment centres, after Sligo City.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss if land developed within or adjacent to Natura site/s. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks if discharge is directly or indirectly to a surface/ground water sensitive Natura site/s.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SP-ED-2 Facilitate enterprise development in other urban locations where infrastructural facilities, services and good communications are readily available or can be provided at a reasonable cost.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss if land developed within or adjacent to Natura site/s. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks if discharge is	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-

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	directly or indirectly to a surface/ground water sensitive Natura site/s.		NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SP-ED-3 Encourage the development of small-scale enterprise space in villages and facilitate teleworking.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss if land developed within or adjacent to Natura site/s. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks if discharge is directly or indirectly to a surface/ground water sensitive Natura site/s.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SP-ED-4 Adopt a flexible approach to start-up businesses and resource-based, small-scale industrial/enterprise activities. Where a proposed development needs to locate near an existing natural resource, it will be necessary to demonstrate that it can be accommodated without damage to the environment, natural or built heritage, visual amenity, and that it will not have a negative impact on the character of the area.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SP-ED-5 Encourage and facilitate small indigenous industries, in recognition of their increasing importance in providing local employment and helping to stimulate economic activity among local communities.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss if land developed within or adjacent to Natura site/s. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks if discharge is directly or indirectly to a surface/ground water sensitive Natura site/s.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SP-ED-6 Support an expanded education and research sector in County Sligo.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss if land developed within or adjacent to Natura site/s. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-

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	increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks if discharge is directly or indirectly to a surface/ground water sensitive Natura site/s.		NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SP-ED-7 Facilitate the growth of creative businesses, particularly the high-productivity creative technology sector, by seeking the provision of enhanced broadband capacity and by encouraging the growth and clustering of the creative and cultural industries in the County.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss if land developed within or adjacent to Natura site/s. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks if discharge is directly or indirectly to a surface/ground water sensitive Natura site/s.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SP-ED-8 Liaise with the IDA, Enterprise Ireland and the County Enterprise Board, to ensure a co-ordinated approach to the provision of necessary infrastructure and services to support enterprise and industrial development.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss if land developed within or adjacent to Natura site/s. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks if discharge is directly or indirectly to a surface/ground water sensitive Natura site/s.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-2 & 4. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SP-ED-9 Promote the integration of employment with other land uses and the transportation network and ensure, in particular, that employment-intensive uses are located in proximity to existing and planned strategic routes, where public transport is most viable.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss if land developed within or adjacent to Natura site/s. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks if discharge is directly or indirectly to a surface/ground water sensitive Natura site/s.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-2 & 4. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SP-ED-10: Acquire sites for industry and enterprise, subject to the availability of funds.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure

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	habitat loss if land developed within or adjacent to Natura site/s. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks if discharge is directly or indirectly to a surface/ground water sensitive Natura site/s.		that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-2 & 4. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
SP-ED-11: Ensure that a high standard of design, layout and amenity is provided and maintained at locations selected for enterprise development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SP-ED-12 Continue to support and facilitate cross-border co-operation and trade between County Sligo and Northern Ireland.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss if land developed within or adjacent to Natura site/s. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks if discharge is directly or indirectly to a surface/ground water sensitive Natura site/s.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-2 & 4. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
Rural development and enterprise policies			
P-RDE-1 Develop the potential for innovation and diversification in the rural economy, as a means of retaining population into rural areas and supporting rural services.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-RDE-2 Support the active involvement of rural communities in the provision of local services and the development of rural resource-based enterprise, such as organic farming, equestrian activities, bird watching etc, subject to normal planning considerations and the protection of the environment.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-RDE-3 Promote the continuance of Rural Transport Initiatives as an essential service to people in rural areas, who would otherwise be excluded because transport is not available, accessible or affordable to them locally.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-RDE-4 Facilitate the development of broadband telecommunications, as enabler of rural enterprise, to counteract the effects of remoteness.		Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
Forestry policies			
P-FOR-1 Support and promote sustainable forestry development in County Sligo, subject to the protection of, inter alia, scenic landscapes and views, water quality, heritage features, residential amenity and public safety.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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P-FOR-2 Discourage new forestry development, except for broadleaf, in proposed/candidate and adopted NHAs, SACs and SPAs, in designated Sensitive Rural Landscapes and Visually Vulnerable Areas, along designated Scenic Routes and in water quality-sensitive areas. (Broadleaf forestry will be open to consideration in these areas and in all proposed and adopted NHAs, SPAs and SACs, will be subject to consultation with the DoEHLG and shall have regard to any management plans prepared by the Department.)	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-FOR-3 Adopt a proactive approach in conjunction with the Forest Service and Coillte to ensure sustainable forestry development	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-FOR-5 Forestry should not obstruct existing rights of way, traditional walking routes and recreational and tourism facilities.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-FOR-6 Identify existing rights of way and established walking routes before planting commences.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-FOR-7 Forestry will not be permitted on ridgelines and should not have a negative visual impact. On steep slopes above the 300 metre line planting will be strongly discouraged and where possible existing areas under forestry will be reduced and/or redesigned following clear felling.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy		
Forestry objective: It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-FOR-1 Prepare an Indicative Forestry Strategy for County Sligo in conjunction with the Forestry Service and incorporate it in the County Development Plan. The Strategy should provide for the maintenance of public rights of way and traditional walking routes. The Indicative Forestry Strategy shall undergo SEA and AA screening.	Potential impacts on terrestrial habitats through habitat loss and fragmentation. Potential impacts on surface water dependant habitats through siltation, runoff of fertilisers, chemicals.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-FOR-1, 2 & 3
Aquaculture, mariculture and fishing policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-AMF-1 Encourage and facilitate sustainable mariculture development associated with job creation, in a manner that is compatible with other uses of the Sligo coast, and subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive Water Framework Directive & provisions of the European Communities (Quality of Shellfish Waters) Regulations and objectives of Shellfish Pollution Reduction Programmes .	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss through the development of facilities within coastal SACs/SPAs.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 6, P-NH-28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 6, P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8
P-AMF-2 Work with the mariculture industry to increase environmental sustainability.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-AMF-3 Support and facilitate the development of the existing fishing industry, where such development is compatible with provisions for the protection of the Natura 2000 network	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss through the development of harbours, marinas, piers and associated facilities within coastal SACs/SPAs.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 6, P-NH-28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 6, P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8
P-AMF-4 Encourage the expansion of sport fishing, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss through the development of harbours, marinas, piers and associated facilities within coastal	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 6, P-NH-28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 6,

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	SACs/SPAs.		P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8
Policies for agricultural diversification It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-AGD-1 Promote agriculture and sustainable agricultural diversification (to include recreational uses), while seeking to protect and maintain bio-diversity, wildlife habitats, water quality and nature conservation.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-AGD-2 Provide infrastructure to serve the needs of agriculture, in-cooperation with the appropriate agencies.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 6, P-NH-28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 6, P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8
P-AGD-3 Support mechanisms to reduce agricultural pollution and the eutrophication of rivers and lakes.	Potential positive impacts	N	
P-AGD-4 Support secondary and tertiary economic activities associated with the primary activities of agriculture, forestry, mineral extraction, fishing, aquaculture and mariculture, subject to environmental considerations.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-AGD-5 Facilitate farm diversification and possible spin-offs (e.g. biomass and energy production, poultry, mushroom growing, flower growing, equestrian facilities), in association with vigorous and adequate environmental controls upon their development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-AGD-6 Support farm families seeking to establish alternative and/or complementary economic enterprises to supplement their income from farming, subject to appropriate scale and intensity of development, having regard to traffic, environmental, landscape and residential amenity considerations. Where the enterprise is not dependent on a rural location, and the scale and intensity grow beyond family income needs, it will be encouraged, where appropriate, to relocate to a nearby town or village.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-AGD-7 Facilitate the development of niche activities, such as those relating to food (particularly value-added products), forestry (e.g. wood products), crafts, eco-tourism and agri-tourism – e.g. farmhouse accommodation, pet farms, farm holidays, health farms, equestrian activities, bird-watching holidays; painting/photography tuition, angling tourism, field studies and hill-walking Other pursuits that will be facilitated are: walking, cycling, mountain and other off-road biking, nature trails, wildlife trails, maritime trails, back-packing, orienteering, para- and hang-gliding, canoeing & kayaking, caving, mountaineering, rock climbing, adventure sports, swimming in waterways, wild camping, pony trekking, boating and archaeological guided walks.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Reduction in species diversity and density Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
Mineral extraction and quarrying activity – policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-MEQ-1 Protect all known unworked deposits from development that might limit their scope for extraction (e.g. one-off housing).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-MEQ-2 Ensure that extraction and associated processes are carried out in a sustainable manner and do not impinge on existing rights-of-way or walking routes..	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-MEQ-3 Minimise the impact of quarrying on residential and natural amenities and water quality through	No negative impacts anticipated from	N	

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rigorous licensing, development control and enforcement measures.	implementation of objective/policy		
P-MEQ-4 Encourage development proposals – subject to normal planning criteria – that can demonstrate a commitment to good environmental management through the implementation of recognised environmental management practices approved by the Planning Authority.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-MEQ-5 Seek the reuse of worked out quarries for recreational, industrial, ecological and other uses, following appropriate restoration.	If such sites are located within or in close proximity to a Natura site potential impacts could occur through disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-4. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-REN-2
P-MEQ-6 In respect of development proposals on or in the proximity of quarry sites, the Council will require that appropriate investigations are carried out into the nature and extent of old quarries (where applicable), the nature and extent of soil and groundwater contamination and the risks associated with site development works. Adequate measures to mitigate these risks shall be submitted as part of the planning application.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Mineral extraction and quarrying activity – objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-MEQ-1 Cooperate with the Geological Survey of Ireland (GSI) in the identification of major mineral deposits in County Sligo through Aggregate Potential Mapping (APM) and safeguard these resources for future extraction.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-MEQ-2 Identify the location of marine aggregate deposits, if any, along and off the coast of County Sligo, with the assistance for the GSI/Marine Institute, based on the National Seabed Survey.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-MEQ-3 Ensure that any future proposals for extraction of marine/coastal aggregates along or off the Sligo coast are subject to detailed environmental impact assessment. This shall include an assessment of the impact(s), if any, of the natural coastal processes.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-MEQ-4 The processing and storage of extracted aggregates on lands within the coastal zone shall be carried out in a manner that minimises the impact on natural and residential amenities.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Retail planning policies			
P-RP-1 Support and encourage the key role of retailing within the towns and villages of County Sligo, particularly for daily convenience shopping, e.g. foodstuffs.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-RP-2 Facilitate small-scale retail development in villages, provided that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • there is no significant adverse impact on the vitality and viability of established centres of Tobercurry, Ballymote, Enniscrone, Grange and Collooney, and • the proposals are of appropriate scale and are acceptable in terms of design, impact on residential amenity, servicing and parking arrangements. 	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-RP-3 Encourage the retention of retail/service outlets (e.g. general food stores, newsagents, post offices, pharmacies, pubs, restaurants and cafés) within town and village centres, with the exception of commercial operations that are no longer viable or are more appropriately located elsewhere (e.g. petrol filling stations).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-RP-4 Encourage uses that support local retail and service outlets, such as tourism-related ventures, hotels,	Potential impacts from disturbance of	Y	The following

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craft shops and shops specialising in outdoor pursuits and water sports.	species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.		objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU-1, 2,4; P-CZT-4, O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, & 13. O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
P-RP-5 Ensure that retail and service outlets are located within the central area of a town or village, where they can best serve the surrounding population.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-RP-6 Discourage inappropriate out-of-town shopping facilities that detract from the vitality, viability and/or character of existing town and village centres.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-RP-7 Generally discourage any retail outlet in excess of 500 square metres retail floor space, including extensions that would enlarge an existing development over this threshold. Development over this size is clearly intended to serve more than a local catchment and would therefore be more suitably located in Sligo City and Environs.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-RP-8 Acknowledge the fact that many retail cores have an interspersed residential element. Give favourable treatment to proposed changes of use to retail, where the dwelling has adjacent retail uses on both sides, as this helps to create compact and sustainable retail cores.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-RP-9 Facilitate the reuse of existing vacant retail outlets in towns and villages.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-RP-10 Promote initiatives or programmes to enhance the character and urban design quality of Tobercurry, Ballymote, Enniscrone, Collooney and Grange, to ensure that they remain attractive for investment in commerce and retailing.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-RP-11 Ensure that all new retail and commercial development proposals respect the scale and character of the streetscape within which they are proposed.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-RP-12 Encourage the retention of traditional shop fronts and pub fronts of character and good design quality.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Retail planning objectives			
O-RP-1 Facilitate the provision of an additional supermarket in Ballymote.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-RP-2 Restrict the further development of retail warehousing in Collooney and Grange and encourage the conversion of vacant units to appropriate uses, in accordance with the respective zoning objectives.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Tourism development policies			
It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-TOU-1 Promote the development of tourism in a sustainable manner and encourage the provision of a comprehensive range of tourism facilities, subject to location, siting and design criteria, the protection of environmentally sensitive areas and other planning considerations.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-TOU-2 Protect and conserve those natural, built and cultural heritage features that form the basis of the County's tourism industry, including areas of important landscape, coastal scenery, areas of important wildlife interest, historic buildings and structures and the traditional form and general appearance of towns and villages.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-TOU-3 Promote the development of high-quality tourist accommodation, especially hotels and guesthouses, and	Potential impacts from disturbance of	Y	The following

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ensure high standards of architectural and urban design in all new tourist accommodation and facilities	species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss where such facilities are constructed within/adjacent to Natura Sites. Pollution of watercourses during construction and through discharge of wastewater.		objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5.
P-TOU-4 strictly control development that might be detrimental to scenic and heritage assets, in cSACs, SPAs, proposed NHAs, designated Sensitive Rural Landscapes and Visually Vulnerable Areas, and along designated Scenic Routes. The Council will use its other statutory procedures, particularly in relation to waste management, water and air pollution, to ensure that these natural amenities remain unpolluted and visually unspoiled.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-TOU-5 Provide signposting and improve roads, existing amenity and viewing areas, and provide for car parking, public facilities and access in scenic areas, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. May lead to recreational pressure on Natura sites.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; P-CZT-4, O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. P-WQ-1 to 6, P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1 & 8.
P-TOU-6 In recognising the special amenity value of mountains, moorlands and forests, valleys and lakes, it is the Council's policy to encourage use of these areas for activities such as touring, sightseeing, mountaineering, and hillwalking, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive . This will be done in co-operation with state agencies and other interested bodies and local community groups. In this regard, the Council will, within financial resources, improve access and create public rights of way.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. May lead to recreational pressure on Natura sites.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; P-CZT-4, O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. P-WQ-1 to 6, P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1 & 8.
P-TOU-7 Promote walking, rambling and cycling as appropriate recreational and tourism activities within the Plan area.	May lead to recreational pressure on Natura sites. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; P-CZT-4, O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. P-WQ-1 to 6, P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1 & 8.
P-TOU-8 Explore the provision of sustainable medium- and long-distance walking routes, in co-operation with adjoining local authorities.	May lead to recreational pressure on Natura sites Potential impacts from	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure

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	disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.		that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; P-CZT-4, O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. P-WQ-1 to 6, P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1 & 8.
P-TOU-9 Support and promote, with the co-operation of private landowners, public access to heritage sites and features of natural heritage, geological and archaeological interest, coastal areas, mountains, rivers, lakes and other natural amenities, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	May lead to recreational pressure on Natura sites Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; P-CZT-4, O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. P-WQ-1 to 6, P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1 & 8.
P-TOU-10 Promote the development of eco-tourism and other leisure activities, in an effort to diversify the range of tourist experiences available in the County and extend the tourist season, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	May lead to recreational pressure on Natura sites. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; P-CZT-4, O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. P-WQ-1 to 6, P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1 & 8.
P-TOU-11 Promote the development of interpretative signs and information boards at important sites of archaeological and natural interest.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-TOU-12 Support the growth of cultural tourism in the County and its potential for niche tourism products by facilitating the development of cultural events, infrastructure and activities.	May lead to recreational pressure on Natura sites. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; P-CZT-4, O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. P-WQ-1 to 6, P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1 & 8.
Tourism development objectives			
It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-TOU-1 Secure the establishment of a flagship visitor attraction in the County, subject to normal development control standards and compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Depending on where this is located, may give rise to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; P-CZT-4, O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. P-WQ-1 to 6, P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1 & 8.

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			7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. P-WQ-1 to 6, P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1 & 8.
O-TOU-2 Examine the feasibility of providing a walkway through Union Wood, subject to availability of resources and compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Union wood is an SAC designated for Old sessile oak woods. Provision of a walkway will lead to habitat loss and fragmentation.	Y	Wording of policy was changed as per text in red.
O-TOU-3 Seek to establish a bird-watching area at the Ballygilgan Nature Reserve (Carney), subject to appropriate environmental considerations.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-TOU-4 Develop a coherent network of attractive cultural hubs/clusters with good access and supporting tourism and cultural signage.	Depending on where they are located, may give rise to potential impacts from recreational pressure, disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; P-CZT-4, O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. P-WQ-1 to 6, P-WQ-10, O-WQ-1 & 8.
Coastal zone tourism policies			
It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-CZT-1 Ensure that future caravan, camping and parking facilities in coastal areas will not be visually intrusive or impact on sensitive coastal environments (e.g. sand dune systems), by requiring, inter alia, appropriate siting, layout, design and natural screening and compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. May lead to recreational pressure on coastal Natura sites.	Y	Wording of policy was changed as per text in red.
P-CZT-2 Ensure Seek continued compliance with EU Directives on water quality for all bathing beaches.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-CZT-3 Promote awareness of the sensitivity of the coastal environment, amongst visitors and residents alike, through the provision of educational/heritage appreciation programmes, public information boards and other appropriate means.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-CZT-4 Maintain and develop small piers and harbours along the Sligo Coast, subject to funding and compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	N	
P-CZT-5 Give priority to coastal areas within County-wide programmes to signpost and improve public rights of way.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; P-CZT-4, O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, P-NH-28, 29 & 30.
Coastal zone tourism objectives			
It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-CZT-1 Manage and control car parking and vehicular and pedestrian movements on beaches and within dunes	Potential impacts from disturbance of	Y	The following

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and other vulnerable areas. Management and control of carparking shall be carried out in compliance with the Habitats Directive where relevant.	species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.		objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, P-NH- 28, 29 & 30.
O-CZT-2 Develop green parking areas in appropriate coastal locations, i.e. soft areas that can be left in their natural state during out-of-season months and used to provide overflow facilities during peak periods. The development of such carparking areas shall be subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, P-NH- 28, 29 & 30.
O-CZT-3 Exclude land-based and marine-based motor sports activities from beaches.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-CZT-4 Provide a number of designated facilities and access points for controlled water-sports activities, in a manner that avoids conflict with nature conservation and activities such as swimming, sailing, fishing and mariculture.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-CZT-5 Liaise with the National Trails Advisory Committee to investigate the possibility of providing a coastal path along the coastline of County Sligo. with a right-of-way status, and liaise with counties Mayo, Leitrim and Donegal to set-up a study group to advance this matter. The study group should be established within one year from the adoption of this Plan. Development of a coastal path shall be subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, P-NH- 28, 29 & 30.
O-CZT-6 Identify existing and/or potential coastal walking routes which can be developed as a tourism product and a local amenity. These routes will ideally be permanent, of high quality and adequately managed, should allow for further expansion and provide links to other activities and facilities.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, P-NH- 28, 29 & 30.
Strategic housing policies It is the policy of the Sligo County Council to:			
SP-HOU-1 Encourage a balanced supply of private housing in the county, in a manner that is consistent with the Core Strategy and the Settlement Strategy and will support the creation of sustainable communities through the provision of an appropriate range of housing types and high-quality residential environments.	Provision of housing may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Increased discharges from WWTPs may lead to decrease in water quality and changes to species density and /or distribution	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-

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			2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5.
SP-HOU-3 Reserve 20% of eligible sites which are subject to new residential development (or a mix of uses including residential) for the development of social and affordable units, in accordance with the Housing Strategy and the requirements of Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SP-HOU-2 Ensure that the needs of older people, people with disabilities and other special-needs persons and households are adequately catered for in new developments.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Strategic housing objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
Implement the relevant provisions of the Sligo City and County Joint Housing Strategy 2010-2017.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Increased discharges from WWTPs may lead to decrease in water quality and changes to species density and /or distribution	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5.
SO-HOU-2 Continue to monitor the extent of residential development in the county area to ensure that sufficient land is zoned to accommodate housing demand over the Plan period.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SO-HOU-3 Ensure that 20% of all sites eligible for Part V is reserved for the development of new social and affordable residential units.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SO-HOU-4 Continue with the programme of refurbishment and regeneration of existing local authority housing stock.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SO-HOU-5 Establish a register of eligible households interested in acquiring affordable housing.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
General housing policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
GP-HOU-1. Have regard to the principle of sequential development in assessing all new residential development proposals, whereby areas closer to settlement centres will be prioritised for development in advance of lands further from settlement centres. Notwithstanding this principle, each proposal will be considered on its merits and having regard to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
GP-HOU-2 Require high quality and innovation in the layout and design of new residential development, particularly with regard to:	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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a. environmental sustainability and energy efficiency; b. site layouts and internal layouts that may incorporate live/work units ² and/or home zones ³ ;											
GP-HOU-3 Ensure the provision of a suitable range of house types and sizes to facilitate the changing demographic structure and in particular the increasing trend towards smaller household sizes. In private housing schemes, the following mix of house types should generally apply: <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>House type</th> <th>Proportion in the scheme</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1-2 bedrooms</td> <td>Minimum 30% of total no. of houses</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 bedrooms</td> <td>Minimum 30% of total no. of houses</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4+ bedrooms</td> <td>Maximum 20% of total no. of houses</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	House type	Proportion in the scheme	1-2 bedrooms	Minimum 30% of total no. of houses	3 bedrooms	Minimum 30% of total no. of houses	4+ bedrooms	Maximum 20% of total no. of houses	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
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1-2 bedrooms	Minimum 30% of total no. of houses										
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GP-HOU-4 Promote more compact forms of residential development, such as infill and backland development, and ensure – through the development management process – that access points to backland areas are reserved or that adequate road frontage is reserved to provide future road access to enable comprehensive backland development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N									
GP-HOU-5 Ensure that services and utilities in residential developments are provided concurrently with the construction of new dwellings.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N									
GP-HOU-6 Ensure that all apartment and mixed-use developments provide for estate management so as to preserve the amenity, quality and visual character of the development, to ensure adequate maintenance of common facilities and areas, and encourage tenant involvement and participation in estate management. (Refer also to the Development Management Standards Chapter of this Draft Plan).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N									
GP-HOU-7 Promote higher densities of residential development in appropriate locations and circumstances, having regard to the principles outlined in the DoEHLG's publication <i>Guidelines for Planning Authorities – Sustainable residential development in urban areas (cities, towns and villages)</i> .	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N									
GP-HOU-8 Ensure that new housing development in towns and villages is of appropriate scale, layout and quality design, and that it relates to the character and form of the settlement in question.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N									
GP-HOU-9 Ensure that all new multiple housing development proposals, including apartment and mixed-use developments, provide adequate facilities for the storage, separation and collection of waste (organic, recyclable and landfill waste) and ensure the ongoing operation of these facilities.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N									
General housing objective It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:											
GO-HOU-1 Monitor and manage the extent of existing and permitted residential development to ensure that it is consistent with the Settlement Strategy and the infrastructural capacity of each settlement.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N									
Social and affordable housing policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:											
P-SA-HOU-1 Promote social inclusion by ensuring that social and affordable housing is well distributed	No negative impacts anticipated from	N									

² A live/work unit is a property combining a workplace (usually small business unit) and a home, in which the operators of the workplace / business use the unit as their principal residence. The commercial aspect of the unit is secondary and is restricted to uses that are compatible with the protection of adjoining residential amenities.

³ Homezones are residential streets or areas which are designed so as to ensure that pedestrians, cyclists and residents have priority over the car.

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throughout all residential areas rather than concentrated in a few locations.	implementation of objective/policy		
P-SA-HOU-2 Ensure that development in areas subject to an agreement under Section 96 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, is integrated with the rest of the development, so as to avoid undue social segregation.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SA-HOU-3 Ensure that the supply of housing units under the Housing Strategy reflects the current and anticipated demographic characteristics and household sizes.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SA-HOU-4 Encourage linkages between existing public and private housing areas through the provision of shared facilities, services and pedestrian/cycle and vehicular connections, as appropriate, between these areas.	Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and through the discharge of treated wastewater. This in turn may lead to cumulative and indirect impacts on Natura sites downstream of the discharge point.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5.
P-SA-HOU-5 Where a particular need is identified, provide housing schemes designed for the needs of older people and/or those with special needs. Otherwise, housing schemes shall be designed with a suitable mix of house types and designs which can be easily adapted to accommodate special housing needs.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Social and affordable housing objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-SA-HOU-1 Prepare and implement an updated <i>Social and Affordable Housing Action Plan</i> to address direct housing provision and assistance towards housing provision.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Traveller accommodation policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-TA-HOU-1 Provide for the accommodation needs of Travellers, as far as is reasonable and practicable, using the full range of housing options available to the Local Authorities and having regard to the policies outlined in the <i>Traveller Accommodation Programme 2009-2013</i> .	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-TA-HOU-2 Consider the submissions of Travellers, their representative organisations and those of the local communities in relation to the siting, planning and design of prospective halting sites or group housing schemes so as to avoid social conflict and promote social inclusion.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-TA-HOU-3 Provide and manage halting sites in a manner compatible with the local environment and the needs of the travelling community, based on management plans set up in co-operation with Traveller families. Halting sites will be subject to the detailed design standards as outlined in the Department of the Environment's <i>Guidelines for Residential Caravan Parks for Travellers</i> (October 1997), and normal development management standards.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Traveller accomodation objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-TA-HOU-1 Provide appropriate accommodation to meet the needs of Travellers through the implementation of the Traveller Accommodation Programme 2009-2012 and the Joint Housing Strategy.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-TA-HOU-1 Provide Traveller Accommodation at Collooney, Tobercurry, Cloonamahon (existing site to be redeveloped) and Ballyfree (existing site to be redeveloped).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Voluntary and cooperative housing policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			

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<p>P-VC-HOU-1 Assist voluntary and non-profit cooperative housing associations in the provision of housing and encourage a more active involvement of these sectors in the housing market.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>Special-needs housing policies It is the policy of the County Council to:</p>			
<p>P-SN-HOU-1 Continue to support independent living for older people and the provision of specific, purpose-built accommodation.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-SN-HOU-2 Continue to meet the housing needs of persons with special needs both by direct provision of accommodation and by facilitating the provision of housing by the voluntary sector.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-SN-HOU-3 Continue to implement the following grant schemes: Housing Adaption Grant for People with Disability, Mobility Aids Grant and Housing Aid for Older People Scheme.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>		
<p>P-SN-HOU-4 Promote a partnership approach between the HSE, disability interest groups, voluntary housing associations and the local authority in meeting the particular needs of people with disabilities and the elderly.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-SN-HOU-5 Facilitate the provision of suitable accommodation for the homeless and for those in need of emergency accommodation.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-SN-HOU-6 Implement the provisions of DoEHLG's <i>Homeless Strategy 2008–2013</i> and the <i>Action Plan on Homelessness in Sligo 2009-2011</i>.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-SN-HOU-7 Ensure that housing developments accommodating the elderly, the disabled and the households least likely to own cars have easy and convenient access to local facilities and to public transport.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-SN-HOU-8 Support proposals for the provision of sheltered housing and work with the various bodies / organisations responsible for provision of this type of accommodation.</p>	<p>Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-RHOU-1 & 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, & 13; O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10</p>
<p>Rural Housing Policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>P-RHOU-1 Ensure that, in permitting one-off rural housing, key rural assets such as water quality, natural and cultural heritage and landscape quality are respected and protected.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-RHOU-2 Encourage the renovation and reuse of existing derelict rural properties and consider proposals for replacement dwelling houses on their merits. These properties should generally be intact and exhibit the essential characteristics of a dwelling house as outlined in section 7.7.6 The location, siting and design of any such proposal shall also reflect that of the existing property.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-RHOU-3 Facilitate rural-generated housing in all areas of the County, while providing for urban-generated housing in Rural Areas in Need of Regeneration, subject to the policy considerations set out below: a. Control of ribbon development, especially close to Key Support Towns and other settlements. b. Control of rural housing in the coastal zone, especially between coastal roads and the sea. c. Protection of designated heritage sites, such as proposed Natural Heritage Areas (pNHAs), candidate Special Areas of Conservation (cSACs) and Special Protection Areas (SPAs). d. Protection of the integrity of designated Visually Vulnerable and Sensitive Rural Landscapes and Scenic Routes</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	

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<p>(refer to Fig. ?? Development Control Policy Map).</p> <p>e. Protection of key natural assets, such as surface and ground water and aggregate or mineral reserves.</p> <p>f. Ensuring the safe operation of key transport arteries, particularly National Primary and Secondary Routes and the rail network. Access to national roads shall be restricted in accordance with the National Roads Authority's publication <i>Spatial Planning and National Roads (Draft) Guidelines for Planning Authorities.</i></p> <p>g. Ensuring that physical planning standards are met – e.g. soil conditions suitable for effluent disposal, availability of a suitable and reliable water supply, adequate flood control/avoidance measures. All proposed on-site wastewater treatment systems shall comply with the EPA document "Code of practice for Wastewater Treatment and disposal Systems serving Single House" (2009).</p> <p>h. Incorporation of existing natural and heritage features into the development, e.g. tree stands, significant hedgerows, stone walling, wetlands and streams.</p> <p>i. Minimising the visual impact of the development on the surrounding landscape by ensuring that normal siting, layout and design criteria are met – e.g. avoid visually prominent sites, design the dwelling house to integrate appropriately with its landscape context, include screening and landscaping proposals.</p> <p>j. Ensuring that the scale, bulk and massing of the proposed development is in keeping with existing developments in the area</p> <p>k. Encouraging innovative design, provided it does not dominate its setting or alter the character of the landscape.</p> <p>l. Promotion of building layouts that maximise the potential for solar gain and wind protection.</p> <p>m. Ensuring that there is adequate infrastructure available to service the development.</p> <p>n. Ensuring that the road network is adequate to cater for the development, that safe vehicular access is available and that the traffic movements generated by the development will not give rise to traffic hazard.</p> <p>In granting permission for one-off rural housing, the Council is insistent that it will not provide public services, such as footpaths, public lighting, water or sewerage connections where they do not already exist.</p> <p>p. Where hedgerows forming roadside boundaries are required to be removed for road safety reasons, they should be reinstated on the new boundary line, in order to ensure the continuity of wildlife corridors.</p>			
<p>Holiday/second homes policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>P-HHOU-1 Direct proposals for holiday homes and second homes into existing serviced settlements, particularly into Easkey, Mullaghmore, Rosses Point, Strandhill and Enniscrone.</p>	<p>Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks</p> <p>The following Natura sites may be impacted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bunduff Lough And Machair/Trawalua/Mullaghmore SAC • Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay) SAC • Cummeen Strand SPA • Ballysadare Bay SAC and SPA • Killala Bay/Moy Estuary SAC and SPA 	Y	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-1 & 2, P-CZT-4, P-RHOU-1, 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7 & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP-1 to 5</p>
<p>P-HHOU-2 Ensure that an appropriate balance is maintained between the number of holiday/second</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from</p>	N	

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homes and the number of permanent homes within each settlement with special functions.	implementation of objective/policy		
P-HHOU-3 Ensure that the total amount of holiday or second home developments permitted in any other settlement is limited in scale to maximum 10% of the number of permanently-occupied houses.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-HHOU-4 Require where appropriate, through the development management process, the submission of precise details regarding the intentions for tenure and management of potential holiday/second home developments.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Holiday/second homes objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-HHOU-1 Establish baseline data on the number of holiday/second homes and the number of permanent homes in relevant settlements and continue to carry out monitoring of this data throughout the plan period.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Vacant housing policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-VHOU-1 Adopt a flexible and supportive approach towards alternative uses of vacant residential units/buildings, subject to appropriate scale, design and compatibility with existing and proposed surrounding uses.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-VHOU-2 Strive to ensure – through the enforcement process – that housing developments and associated services and facilities are completed to a standard that is in accordance with the terms of the relevant planning permission.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Vacant housing objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-VHOU-1 Establish baseline data on the number of vacant residential units in each settlement in the CDP area and continue to carry out monitoring of vacancy throughout the plan period.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Community facilities policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-CF-1 Assist as far as possible in the provision of community facilities by reserving suitably-located land, by assisting in the provision of finance for their development (where appropriate), and/or by the use of the development management process to ensure provision is made for such facilities as the Council considers appropriate.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-1 & 2, P-CZT-4, P-RHOU-1, 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7 & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
P-CF-2 Encourage high standards in the design and finishes of community facilities.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-CF-3 Continue to apply development levies to provide for recreational and community facilities relating to new developments.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-CF-4 Optimise existing and proposed physical resources / infrastructure by supporting multi-functional building use and provision.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-CF-5 Recognise the importance of community participation in the improvement of existing community and recreational facilities, and encourage increased involvement of local groups, both independently and in association	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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with the relevant statutory bodies, in the future provision of such facilities.			
<p>P-CF-6 Encourage the siting of community facilities in suitable locations, especially within residential / village centre areas, or close to existing facilities / services and public transport routes.</p>	<p>Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-1 & 2, P-CZT-4, P-RHOU-1, 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7 & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10</p>
<p>P-CF-7 Work with relevant agencies in identifying areas for the provision of quality social infrastructure.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-CF-8 Promote social inclusion by exploring ways to integrate minority groups into the community and by supporting the development of fully-integrated communities catering for people of different ages and incomes. The Sligo County Community Forum will have a key role in implementing this policy.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-CF-9 Encourage the establishment of specific bodies and programmes to facilitate the integration of those with special needs, and people of all age groups.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-CF-10 Adopt a flexible and supportive approach towards proposals for the provision of community facilities within a wide variety of land-use zoning categories, in particular lands zoned for community facilities, village-centre-type mixed uses, residential development and commercial/enterprise uses. Any such proposal should be suitably located within the development limits of the relevant settlement and should be easily accessible for all sections of the community. It is also acknowledged that some community facilities may be accommodated in rural areas, subject to site suitability.</p>	<p>Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2</p>
<p>P-CF-11 Consider the accommodation of small-scale community enterprise developments within existing and proposed community facilities areas, subject to appropriate design, layout and servicing.</p>	<p>Negative impacts where areas of Natura sites overlap with zoning. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-2</p>

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Community facilities objective			
It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-CF-1 Facilitate the phased redevelopment of the existing Wisdom services care facility at Cregg, to provide an integrated residential and educational community to include a range of facilities for those with intellectual disabilities and special needs subject to the availability of adequate wastewater treatment infrastructure.”	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Education facilities policies			
It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-ED-1 Support the provision of additional land for educational uses through the consideration (on suitable sites) of such facilities in a wide variety of land-use zoning categories, in particular lands zoned for community facilities, mixed uses and residential development.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7 & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP 2 to 5
P-ED-2 Promote the location of new educational facilities within existing settlements, and preferably near community facilities (such as community centres, playing fields and libraries) and public transport services. Only in exceptional cases will out-of-town locations be considered.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7 & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP 2 to 5
P-ED-3 Support the educational institutions in their plans to expand and develop.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7 & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP 2 to 5
P-ED-4 Encourage and support the development of further educational facilities and training programmes to ensure a suitably skilled local workforce, including those for children and adults with special needs.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from	N	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-

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	WWTPs/septic tanks		NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7 & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP 2 to 5
<p>P-ED-5 Encourage facilities connected with the integration of those with special needs into the education system of streamlined schools.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>P-ED-6 Support Sligo's schools in the upgrading and modernisation of their building stock so as to ensure that these institutions can accommodate population growth.</p>	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	N	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7 & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP 2 to 5
<p>P-ED-7 Ensure that appropriate infrastructure is provided concurrent with the development of an educational facility. Such infrastructure may include footpaths, pedestrian crossings, cycle lanes, parking facilities, ramps and facilities for those with special needs.</p>	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	
<p>P-ED-8 Support the further development of St Angela's College, subject to appropriate siting, design and servicing infrastructure and compliance with the Habitats Directive.</p>	St. Angela's College is located on the shores of Lough Gill SAC. Further development of the college may lead to direct impacts through disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss and pollution of lake waters.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7 & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10.
<p>P-ED-9 Promote the development of outreach programmes between businesses and third-level institutions, whereby Sligo can develop as a centre of excellence in research and development.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>Childcare policies</p>			
<p>It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>P-CC-1 Work with the Sligo County Childcare Committee in the implementation of the Strategic Plan 2007–2010 and successor documents.</p>	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6,

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			P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5.
P-CC-2 Consider childcare needs in future local area plans and residential development proposals.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-CC-3 Encourage the establishment of appropriate childcare facilities in suitable locations, such as village centres, areas of concentrated employment, in the vicinity of schools, adjacent to public transport corridors and /or pedestrian areas, and in larger new housing estates.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5.
P-CC-4 Have regard to the DoEHLG's <i>Childcare Facilities – Guidelines for Planning Authorities</i> (2001). In applying standards regarding the provision of childcare facilities in larger residential developments, the Planning Authorities will show flexibility by considering the provision of multi-purpose community facilities in certain cases, as appropriate.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-CC-5 Support proposals that provide an improved variety of childcare services (both in terms of childcare providers, i.e. private / community, and childcare type, i.e. sessional services / full-day care), having particular regard to the deficits identified in the SCCC Strategic Plan 2007–2010.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5.
P-CC-6 Optimise existing physical resources/infrastructure within the County by supporting multi-functional building use and provision, to include childcare facilities.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Children's play policies			
It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-CP-1 Support the implementation of Sligo County Council's Play Policy in co-operation with the relevant community organisations and agencies.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-CP-2 Seek to maximise the range of play opportunities available to children, particularly children who are marginalised or disadvantaged or who have a disability.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-CP-3 Take a lead role in the development of stand-alone, outdoor play areas, subject to funding, and agree on priority areas in consultation with the County Childcare Committee.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Children's play objective			

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It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-CP-1 Prepare a plan for the development of play provision in the County, in conjunction with the County Development Board and in consultation with children and young people.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Sports, recreation and open space policies			
It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-SRO-1 Support the aims, goals and objectives of the Sligo Sport & Recreation Partnership Strategic Plan 2007-2012: <i>Making Sport and Recreation a way of life.</i>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SRO-2 Preserve existing public or private recreation areas, including sports clubs, grounds, built leisure facilities and open space. If a change of use is sought, ensure that alternative recreational facilities are provided in a suitable location.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SRO-3 Facilitate shared use of existing sports and recreation facilities, particularly school facilities.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SRO-4 Support local sports and community groups in the development of facilities through appropriate land use zoning.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH- 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7 & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP-2 to 5
P-SRO-5 Ensure that all new facilities are appropriately located where they can best meet the needs of all sections of the community that they are intended to serve.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH- 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7 & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10, P-CP-2 to 5
P-SRO-6 Encourage the provision of sports and recreation infrastructure as an integral part of new residential schemes.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SRO-7 Encourage and, if necessary, require developers to incorporate natural features such as rivers, streams, trees and tree groups into open space layouts in the planning of future developments.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SRO-8 Require the preparation and implementation of landscaping plans and open space maintenance arrangements for all proposed open spaces areas.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SRO-9 Preserve and improve access for the public to lakes, coastal, riverside, upland and other areas that have traditionally been used for outdoor recreation, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-

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			7, O-NH-11, P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-CP-2 to 5
P-SRO-10 Assist in developing a network of sports, recreation and open space facilities throughout the County to encourage a range of recreational and amenity activities that will cater for both active and passive needs.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.		The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH- 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7 & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10. O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10, P-CP-2 to 5
P-SRO-11 Actively promote and protect public access to the coast and designate traditional walking routes thereto as public rights of way.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-CP-2 to 5
P-SRO-12 Where feasible, develop walkways/cycleways between coastal sites and green spaces in built-up areas.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU- 2,4; O-CZT-1 & 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-CP-2 to 5
P-SRO-13 Ensure that golf course development does not damage or encroach upon vulnerable dune systems and does not impinge on existing rights of way or walking routes..	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Healthcare policies			
It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-HC-1 Encourage the integration of health services and facilities with new and existing community facilities, where feasible.	Potential impacts may occur where facilities are located in close proximity to Natura sites or where new/upgraded WWTPs are required. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5
P-HC-2 Promote the location of health services and care facilities within existing settlements, on sites convenient to pedestrian access and public transport.	Potential impacts may occur where facilities are located in close proximity to Natura sites or where	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided:

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	new/upgraded WWTPs are required. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks		SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5
P-HC-3 Support the provision of health services and facilities for people with learning disabilities and special needs.	Potential impacts may occur where facilities are located in close proximity to Natura sites or where new/upgraded WWTPs are required. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	N	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5
P-HC-4 Accommodate the provision of accessible care facilities throughout the County to cater for the specific needs of the elderly and those of young people.	Potential impacts may occur where facilities are located in close proximity to Natura sites or where new/upgraded WWTPs are required. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5
P-HC-5 Support existing healthcare facilities in their plans to develop and expand.	Potential impacts may occur where facilities are located in close proximity to Natura sites or where new/upgraded WWTPs are required. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5
Burial grounds policies			
It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			

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P-BG-1 Provide or assist in the provision of new burial grounds and extensions to existing burial grounds, by reserving sufficient land in suitable locations.	Potential impacts may occur where facilities are located in close proximity to Natura sites Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5
P-BG-2 Encourage the development of burial grounds to take account of cremation and 'green lawn' principles, to promote more efficient use of land and to facilitate maintenance.	Potential impacts may occur where facilities are located in close proximity to Natura sites Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5
P-BG-3 Promote the establishing of burial ground committees and assist them in the appropriate maintenance and management of burial grounds.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BG-4 Ensure that appropriate archaeological assessment is carried out in relation to any works to burial grounds which are designated National Monuments, in accordance with the requirements of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act 2004.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Allotment Policy			
P-A-1 Facilitate the development of allotments at suitable locations throughout the County. Any such facility should be located within or close to an existing settlement and should be easily accessible.	Potential impacts may occur where facilities are located in close proximity to Natura sites Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5
Arts and cultural facilities policy			
It is the policy of the Council to:			
P-AC-1 Encourage and assist in the development of the arts and to support the ongoing development of cultural infrastructure throughout the County.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-AC-2 Continue to enhance the public domain by encouraging the provision of public art, both temporary and permanent, across all art forms and artistic disciplines in towns, villages and new residential developments through the government-supported <i>Per Cent For Art</i> scheme.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Heritage objectives			
It is the objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-H-1 Implement, in partnership with all relevant stakeholders, the <i>County Heritage Plan 2007-2011</i> and subsequent heritage plans.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-H-2 Adopt and implement, in partnership with all relevant stakeholders, a <i>County Biodiversity Action Plan</i> and subsequent biodiversity plans.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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<p>Natural heritage - general policies It is the objective of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>P-NH-1 Protect, sustainably manage and enhance the natural heritage, biodiversity, geological heritage, landscape and environment of County Sligo in recognition of its importance for nature conservation and biodiversity, and as a non-renewable resource, in association with all stakeholders.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>P-NH-2 Ensure as far as possible that development does not impact adversely on wildlife habitats and species. In the interest of sustainability, biodiversity should be conserved for the benefits of future generations.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>P-NH-3 To promote increased understanding and awareness of the natural heritage and biodiversity of the county.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>P-NH-4 Protect and, where possible, enhance the plant and animal species and their habitats that have been identified under the EU Habitats Directive, EU Birds Directive, the Wildlife Act and the Flora Protection Order.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>P-NH-5 The 'polluter pays' and the 'precautionary' principles are integral components of planning policies that deal with environmental and heritage matters. Where uncertainty exists regarding the potential impact of a proposed development on the natural heritage resource, full account shall be taken of the precautionary principle.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>European and national designated natural heritage sites – objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to: Natura 2000 Network</p>			
<p>O-NH-1 Protect and maintain favourable conservation status and the conservation value of all natural heritage sites designated or proposed for designation in accordance with European and national legislation and in other relevant international conventions, agreements and processes. This includes sites designated or proposed as Special Areas of Conservation (SACs), Special Protection Areas (SPAs), Natural Heritage Areas (NHAs), Ramsar sites and Statutory Nature Reserves.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>O-NH-1a Promote the maintenance and as appropriate achievement of favourable conservation status of protected habitats and species in association with NPWS.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>O-NH-2 Assess, in accordance with the relevant legislation, all proposed developments which are likely to have a significant effect (directly or through indirect or cumulative impact) on designated natural heritage sites, sites proposed for designation and protected species.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>O-NH-3 When considering any plan or project, prepared or assessed on the basis of this development plan the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the plan or project is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>O-NH-4 Consult with the relevant prescribed bodies and appropriate agencies when considering undertaking, approving or authorising developments which are likely to affect designated natural heritage sites or those proposed to be designated.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>O-NH-5 Establish and maintain an up-to-date planning register of all previously adopted and proposed plans/programmes and all granted and proposed developments which are likely to have a significant effect (directly or through indirect or cumulative impact) on European Sites within or adjoining the county, to allow for the appropriate assessment of potential 'ex situ' and 'cumulative/in combination' effects of proposed plans, programmes and projects on such sites.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>O-NH-5a An appropriate assessment screening determination shall be made for all land use plans, related variations and projects in consultation with the National Parks and Wildlife Service with the Department of the</p>			

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Environment, Heritage and Local Government.'			
O-NH-6 Support and co-operate with statutory authorities and others in support of measures taken to manage designated nature conservation sites in order to achieve their conservation objectives and where available specific regard shall be made to Conservation Management Plans and their conservation objectives/management practices where they exist.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-NH-7 Promote development for recreational and educational purposes that would not conflict with maintaining favourable conservation status and the meeting of the conservation objectives for designated sites.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Nature conservation outside designated sites – policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-NH-6 Minimise the impact of new development on habitats of natural value that are key features of the County's ecological network. Developments likely to have an adverse effect on recognised sites of local nature conservation importance will be required to demonstrate the impacts on the ecological value of the site and will not be approved unless it can be clearly demonstrated that there are reasons for the development that outweigh the need to safeguard the nature conservation value of the site.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-7 Ensure that development proposals, where relevant, improve the ecological coherence of the Natura 2000 network and encourage the management of landscape features that are of major importance for wild fauna and flora as per Article 10 of the Habitats Directive.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-8 Ensure that proposals for development protect and enhance biodiversity, wherever possible, by minimising adverse impacts on existing habitats and by including mitigation and/or compensation measures, as appropriate, which ensure that biodiversity is enhanced.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-9 Apply the precautionary principle in relation to development proposals with potential to impact on County Biodiversity Sites or of local nature conservation interest by requiring an ecological impact assessment to ensure that any proposed development will not affect the integrity and conservation value of the site.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-10 Ensure that no ecological networks, or parts thereof which provide significant connectivity between areas of local biodiversity, are lost without remediation as a result of implementation of the Plan.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Nature conservation outside designated sites – objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-NH-8 Continue the County Habitat Mapping Project, thereby generating the necessary information to identify landscape features that are of major importance for wild fauna, flora and County Biodiversity Sites, as key features of the county's ecological network which will enable planning for future development in a sensitive manner while protecting sites of high nature conservation value.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-NH-9 Identify and protect, in co-operation with the relevant statutory agencies and other relevant groups, County Biodiversity Sites, not otherwise protected by legislation.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-NH-10 Ensure that the findings of habitat mapping projects (when completed) are utilised to inform the development management process.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-NH-11 Endeavour, where considered necessary, to improve the ecological coherence of the Natura 2000 Network, by encouraging the preservation and management of features of the landscape which are of major importance for wild fauna and flora as referred to in Article 10 of the Habitats Directive. These features include those which, by virtue of their linear and continuous structure (such as rivers with their banks or the traditional systems for marking field boundaries) or their function as stepping stones (such as ponds or small woods), are essential for the migration, dispersal and genetic exchange of wild species.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-NH-12 Integrate biodiversity considerations into Local Authority plans, programmes and activities where appropriate.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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O-NH-13 Provide guidance for developers and the general public in relation to nature conservation outside designated sites and the conservation and enhancement of biodiversity and geological heritage in general.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Woodlands, trees and hedgerows policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-NH-11 Protect trees and hedgerows from development that would impact adversely upon them, and promote the enhancement of existing hedgerows by seeking increased coverage, in conjunction with new development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-12 Protect woodlands and hedgerows from damage and/or degradation and work to prevent the disruption of the connectivity of the woodlands and hedgerows of the county.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-13 Protect and manage existing woodlands, trees and hedgerows which are of amenity or biodiversity value and/or contribute to landscape character, and ensure that proper provision is made for their protection and management when undertaking, approving or authorising development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-14 Ensure that, when undertaking, approving or authorising development, sufficient information is provided to enable an assessment of impacts on woodlands, trees and hedgerows.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-15 Encourage development proposals that enhance the landscape through positive management and additional planting/sensitive replanting of native tree species.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-16 Ensure, where required, that applications for development include proposals for planting/ leave a suitable ecological buffer zone, between the development works and areas/features of ecological importance.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-17 Recognise the biodiversity and archaeological importance of townland boundaries, including hedgerows, and promote their protection and retention.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-18 Encourage the development of proposals for new woodlands utilising funding available through schemes such as the NeighbourWood and Native Woodland Schemes.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Woodlands, trees and hedgerows objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-NH-14 Undertake a study to document and map significant mature trees within the County area within the lifetime of the plan.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-NH-15 Make Tree Preservation Orders (TPO's) as required in order to ensure the protection of important trees in urban and rural areas that contribute to public amenity, particularly indigenous trees and trees under threat.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-NH-16 Preserve and conserve trees or groups of trees identified as 'Trees for Preservation' at Mullaghmore (TPO no. Xxxx)	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Inland waters policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-NH-19 Protect rivers, streams and other water courses and their associated Core Riparian Zones (CRZ's) wherever possible and maintain them in an open state capable of providing suitable habitat for fauna and flora.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-20 Protect and enhance the natural heritage and landscape character of river and stream corridors and valleys, maintain them free from inappropriate development and make provision for public access where feasible and appropriate.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-21 Protect and enhance biodiversity richness by protecting rivers and stream corridors and valleys by reserving land along their banks for ecological corridors, maintaining them free from inappropriate development, and discouraging culverting or realignment.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-22 Ensure that all proposed greenfield residential and commercial developments use sustainable drainage systems (SUDS) in accordance with best current practice ensuring protection of the integrity of wetland sites in the adjoining area, including their hydrological regime.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-23 Ensure that floodplains and wetlands within the Plan area are retained for their biodiversity and flood	No negative impacts anticipated from	N	

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protection value.	implementation of objective/policy		
P-NH-24 Ensure that proposed developments do not adversely affect groundwater resources and groundwater dependent habitats and species.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-25 Work with landowners, local communities and other relevant groups to protect and manage inland waters, river corridors and their floodplains from degradation and damage, and to recognise and promote them as natural assets of the urban and rural environment.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-26 Have regard to the County Sligo Wetlands Surveys 2008 and 2009 and subsequent wetland surveys that may be published during the lifetime of this Plan.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Inland waters objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-NH-17 Consult with prescribed bodies prior to undertaking, approving or authorising any works or development that may impact on rivers, streams and watercourses.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-NH-18 Require that runoff from a developed area does not result in deterioration of downstream watercourses or habitats, and that pollution generated by a development is treated within the development area prior to discharge to local watercourses.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-NH-19 Ensure that an appropriate ecological assessment is undertaken for developments with the potential to impact on inland waters.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Protected species policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-NH-27 Protect plant species and their associated habitats listed in the Flora (Protection) Order 1999.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-28 Protect species and their associated habitats that require strict protection under the Habitats Regulations (S.I. No. 94 of 1997, 233 of 1998 and 378 of 2005).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-29 Protect animal and bird species and their associated habitats protected under the Wildlife Act 1976 and Wildlife (Amendment) Act 2000.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-30 Ensure that development does not have a significant adverse impact, incapable of satisfactory mitigation, on plant, animal or bird species protected by law.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Protected species objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-NH-20 Consult with the National Parks and Wildlife Service (DoEHLG) and take account of any licensing requirements when undertaking, approving and authorising development which is likely to affect plant, animal or bird species protected by law.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-NH-21 Provide guidance to developers and others in relation to species protected by law and their protection and management in the context of development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-NH-22 Undertake surveys, as appropriate, to establish the location of protected flora and fauna in the Plan area through the County Heritage Plan and the County Biodiversity Action Plan.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Invasive species policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-NH-31 Prevent the spread of invasive species within the Plan area, including requiring landowners and developers to adhere to best practice guidance in relation to the control of invasive species.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NH-32 Seek the control and/or eradication of invasive species as appropriate within the Plan area as opportunities and resources allow. Targeted invasive species control should be informed by current distribution of species, degree of threat posed and resources available to control and/or eradicate them.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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<p>P-NH-33 Promote public awareness/engagement with regard to invasive species through awareness campaigns and the provision of targeted information on the role of the general public in the control of invasive species.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>Sites of geological interest – objective</p>			
<p>O-NH-24 Protect and maintain the character, integrity and conservation value of those features or areas of geological interest that are listed in this Plan or that may be proposed by the DoEHLG and/or the GSI in the lifetime of this Plan.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>Archaeological heritage policies</p>			
<p>It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>P-AH-1 Protect and enhance archaeological sites, monuments, their setting, appreciation and amenity within the Plan area, including those that are listed in the Record of Monuments and Places (RMP) or newly discovered archaeological sites and/or sub-surface archaeological remains.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-AH-2 Require archaeological assessment, surveys, test excavation and/or monitoring for planning applications in areas of archaeological importance, if a development proposal is likely to impact upon in-situ archaeological monuments their setting and archaeological deposits.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-AH-3 Ensure that full consideration is given to the protection of archaeological heritage when undertaking, approving or authorising development in order to avoid unnecessary conflict between development and the protection of the archaeological heritage.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-AH-4 Secure the preservation in-situ or by record of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the archaeological monuments included in the Record of Monuments and Places as established under section 12 of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act, 1994; • any sites and features of historical and archaeological interest • any subsurface archaeological features that may be discovered during the course of infrastructural/development works in the operational area of the Plan. <p>Preservation relates to archaeological sites or objects and their settings. Preservation in-situ is most effectively achieved by the refurbishment of existing buildings, in situations where it is possible to retain the greater part of existing structures without the need for new foundations.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-AH-5 Ensure that development within the vicinity of a Recorded Monument does not detract from the setting of the feature and is sited and designed appropriately.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-AH-6 Protect historic burial grounds that are recorded monuments and encourage their maintenance in accordance with conservation principles. Development may be restricted or conditions requiring substantial excavation may be imposed in and adjacent to former burial grounds.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-AH-7 Encourage and promote the appropriate management and enhancement of the archaeological heritage within the Plan area.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-AH-8 Facilitate and enhance public access to and understanding of the archaeological heritage and disseminate information and advice on the archaeological heritage to prospective developers and the general public.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-AH-9 Require that all development proposals for industrial buildings and sites of industrial archaeological importance be accompanied by an industrial archaeology assessment of the surrounding environment. New development should be designed in sympathy with existing features and structures.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-AH-10 Ensure, through the application of appropriate design standards and criteria, that land uses do not give rise to significant losses of the integrity, quality or context of archaeological material except as may be conditioned or directed by the appropriate heritage agencies.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	

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P-AH-11 Have regard to the policy recommendations and guidelines established in the Conservation Plans for Carrowkeel and Inishmurray, commissioned by Sligo County Council.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-AH-12 Have regard to the recommendations and guidelines which will be established in the document <i>A Conservation Study of the Passage Tomb Group and Associated Archaeological Features and Other Monuments of Knocknarea, Carrowmore and Cairns Hill, Co. Sligo</i> , commissioned by the DoEHLG in partnership with relevant stakeholders.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Archaeological heritage objectives			
It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-AH-1 Require an Archaeological Impact Assessment when considering development proposals with a potential to affect archaeological heritage, and have regard to the advice and recommendations of the prescribed bodies as defined in the Planning and Development Act 2000 in relation to undertaking, approving or authorising development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-AH-2 Refer to the above-mentioned prescribed bodies all proposals for linear development over one kilometre in length, or proposals for development involving ground clearance of a half hectare or more, or proposals for development affecting present or former wetlands, unenclosed land, or rivers and estuaries.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-AH-3 Require the preservation of the context amenity and visual integrity and connection of archaeological monuments to their setting. Views to and from archaeological monuments should not be obscured by inappropriate development. Archaeological visual impact assessments should be undertaken to demonstrate the continued preservation of an archaeological monuments siting and context.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-AH-4 Ensure that a suitably qualified archaeologist carries out all archaeological works required when permission is granted for development that requires mitigation of impacts on the archaeological heritage.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-AH-5 Encourage the incorporation of, or the reference to significant archaeological finds into development schemes, where feasible. Archaeological monuments should not form part of green space or car parking allocations in proposed developments.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-AH-6 Identify and protect internationally important archaeological landscapes such as the Carrowkeel, Inishmurray and the Cuil Irra Peninsula (which includes the core areas of Knocknarea, Carrowmore and Carns Hill), in co-operation with landowners and relevant stakeholders and statutory agencies.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-AH-7 Identify appropriate archaeological sites in the Plan area to which public access could be provided and work to secure public access, where appropriate, in consultation with the land owners.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-AH-8 Protect and preserve archaeological sites discovered since the publication of the Record of Monuments and Places (1995).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-AH-9 Protect and preserve the archaeological value of underwater archaeological sites. In assessing proposals for development, the Council will take account of river, lake, intertidal and sub tidal environments.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-AH-10 Protect and preserve the archaeological value of industrial heritage sites as identified in the Industrial Archaeology Survey of County Sligo (2005). Proposals for refurbishment, works to or redevelopment/conversion of these sites will be subject to a full architectural and archaeological assessment.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Objectives for the Cuil Irra Peninsula – Carrowmore, Knocknarea and Carns Hill			
O-CIP-1 Have regard to the recommendations and guidelines which will be established in the document <i>A Conservation Study of the Passage Tomb Group and Associated Archaeological Features and Other Monuments of Knocknarea, Carrowmore and Carns Hill, Co. Sligo</i> , commissioned by the DoEHLG in partnership with relevant stakeholders.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-CIP-2 Protect groups of important National Monuments in the Cuil Irra Peninsula, inclusive of their contextual setting and interpretation through careful management of development in the area.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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O-CIP-3 Protect the vulnerable archaeological and cultural landscape and protect views within and adjacent to Carrowmore Megalithic Cemetery, Knocknarea and Carns Hill.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-CIP-4 Protect the context, amenity and integrity of the archaeological heritage and landscape at Carns Hill, including the direct intervisibility between the core areas of the Cuil Irra Peninsula (Knocknarea, Carrowmore and Carns Hill) and other relevant locations within the wider Cuil Irra passage tombs complex.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-CIP-5 Establish a co-ordinated signage programme (directional and information signage) for Carrowmore Megalithic Cemetery, Knocknarea and Carns Hill with the relevant agencies including the OPW and NMS, DoEHLG.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-CIP-6 Refer to the National Monuments Section DoEHLG all development proposals within the archaeological and historic landscape of the Cuil Irra Peninsula (which includes the core areas of Knocknarea, Carrowmore and Carns Hill) as identified in the map provided in Appendix X.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-CIP-7 Ensure that Archaeological Impact Assessments are requested at pre-planning and planning application stage for all development proposals within the archaeological and historic landscape of the Cuil Irra Peninsula (which includes the core areas of Knocknarea, Carrowmore and Carns Hill).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-CIP-8 Put in place a development management strategy for the protection of the archaeological landscape of the Cuil Irra Peninsula, to include Knocknarea, Carrowmore and Carns Hill, in partnership with landowners, the relevant agencies and stakeholders.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Built/architectural heritage policies			
It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-BH-1 Preserve, protect and enhance the architectural heritage of County Sligo for future generations. The area's architectural heritage is of national and regional importance and is central to Sligo's ability to promote itself as a centre for cultural tourism.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-2 Secure the protection of buildings and structures or features of special architectural, historical, archaeological, artistic, cultural, scientific, social or technical interest identified on the Record of Protected Structures.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-3 Generally encourage the re-use of older buildings through renovation and rehabilitation, in preference to their demolition or reconstruction.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-4 Have regard to the 2004 <i>Architectural Heritage Protection Guidelines</i> and subsequent guidance issued by the DoEHLG when assessing proposals for development affecting a protected structure.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-5 Exempt a development proposal from the normal requirement for the payment of a development contribution if the proposal involves restoration/refurbishment of a protected structure to a high architectural standard.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-6 Ensure that any development, modifications, alterations, or extensions affecting a protected structure, adjoining structure or structure within an ACA is sited and designed appropriately and is not detrimental to the character of the structure, to its setting or the general character of the ACA.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-7 Promote the principles of contextual compatibility for all new buildings within the historic built environment and promote carefully-designed architectural solutions that are modern and innovative, except in or adjoining an ACA or a protected structure, where, in the opinion of the planning authority, redevelopment in the traditional or historicist manner may be more appropriate.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-8 Ensure that any new development activity acknowledges the traditional frame for development - in particular, buildings will be required to maintain historical building lines. There will be a presumption against new buildings stepping back from established building lines, except for key public buildings, or where a new building might interfere with the setting of a protected structure or an ACA.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-9 Maintain the traditional plot width along the perimeter of blocks within historic streetscapes, particularly	No negative impacts anticipated from	N	

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where the building façade is manifested on the streetscape. Under some circumstances, a new building with a broader plot width might be permitted, but the façade will be required to include some form or articulation that emulates or fits in with the traditional streetscape character.	implementation of objective/policy		
P-BH-10 Facilitate and permit plot amalgamation and land assembly in the centre of blocks (backlands of plots) so as to promote commercial viability while ensuring that there is a balance between the scale of the development proposals, in terms of height, mass and bulk, so as not to dwarf the traditional perimeter buildings of the block.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-11 Generally maintain a continuous building line along streetscapes - this assists in maintaining the character of an area and can screen car parks, loading bays and service yards within blocks.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-12 For new or replacement buildings, encourage the retention of subtle variations in building lines, building heights and plot widths, which are a trademark of the traditional Irish streetscape.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-13 Generally, only consider applications for change of use where the level of physical intervention required to make the building suitable for its new use does not damage or alter the character of the structure that makes it of special interest.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-14 Protect important non-habitable structures such as historic bridges, harbours, railways, roadside features (such as historic milestones, cast-iron pumps and post-boxes), street furniture, historic gardens, stone walls, landscapes, demesnes and curtilage features, in cases where these are not already included in the Record of Protected Structures..	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-15 Protect important non-structural elements of the built heritage, including historic gardens, stone walls, landscapes, demesnes and curtilage features.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-16 Support the visual attractiveness of the county by encouraging owners of derelict sites/buildings to develop and improve them in an appropriate manner and pursue, where necessary, owners of buildings and sites under the Derelict Sites Act, 1990.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-17 Facilitate enabling development to be carried out in conjunction with works to protected structures where consistent with the parameters outlined in Section 7.3.5 Enabling Development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-18 Continue to develop the Council's advisory/educational role with regard to heritage matters and to promote awareness and understanding of the architectural heritage.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-19 Encourage the retention of original windows, doors, renders, roof coverings, chimneys, rainwater goods and other significant features of structures of architectural heritage merit, whether protected or not.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-20 Encourage the restoration or appropriate replacement of original doors, sash/casement timber windows and slate roofs over their replacement with modern materials (such as PVC windows and doors) or designs that may be insensitive in their detailing or relief to traditional façades and roofs.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-BH-21 Ensure that modern design solutions have regard for the traditional context and streetscape elements and utilise some of the traditional architectural idioms in their composition, form and/or design.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Built/architectural heritage objectives			
It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-BH-1 Ensure the protection of all structures (or parts of structures) included in the Record of Protected Structures. In accordance with this objective, a Record of Protected Structures has been established (see separate RPS publication).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-BH-2 Review the RPS on an ongoing basis and add structures of special interest as appropriate, including 20th-century structures and incorporating recommendations from the National Inventory of Architectural Heritage. Identification of structures for inclusion in the RPS will be based on criteria set out in the <i>Architectural Heritage Protection - Guidelines for Planning Authorities</i> published by the DoEHLG (2005).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-BH-3 Have regard to the advice and recommendations of prescribed bodies in relation to undertaking,	No negative impacts anticipated from	N	

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approving or authorising development.	implementation of objective/policy		
O-BH-4 Provide detailed guidance notes and advice to the public, developers, public bodies, groups and associations with regard to protected structures, ACAs, conservation grant schemes and architectural heritage in general.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-BH-5 Assess the surviving demesnes within the Plan area and promote the conservation of their essential character, both built and natural, while allowing for appropriate re-use.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-BH-6 Identify and retain in situ good examples of historic street furniture, e.g. cast-iron post-boxes, water pumps, signage, street lighting, kerbing, traditional road and street surface coverings/finishes etc.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-BH-7 Promote awareness and best practice in relation to the protection of non-structural elements.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-BH-8 Where appropriate, identify and designate Architectural Conservation Areas in conjunction with the preparation of local area plans and other land use plans and establish special planning controls for these areas.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-BH-9 Encourage and advise on the restoration of traditional shop fronts.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Landscape character assessment and protection policies			
It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-LCAP-1 Promote the understanding of Sligo's landscape in terms of its inherent and unique character and to recognise what elements should be preserved, conserved or enhanced.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-LCAP-2 Promote a unified approach to landscape planning and management, linking policies and objectives for the preservation of the county's unique landscape character to all relevant planning policies and objectives throughout the Plan.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-LCAP-3 Protect the physical landscape and visual character of the County.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-LCAP-4 Protect the historic and archaeological landscapes of the County.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-LCAP-5 Protect and enhance the visual qualities of rural areas through the sensitive design of necessary development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-LCA-6 Maintain a variety of settlement types as a critical part of landscape character in Sligo and preserve the essential characteristics of individual settlements within their settings by developing robust design guidance.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-LCAP-7 Have regard to the potential environmental impacts of new infrastructure and industrial development, such as noise and air pollution impinging on views, tranquility and character, and the consequences that such development may have for the evolution of settlements.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-LCAP-8 Promote the development of tourism in a sustainable manner and encourage the provision of a comprehensive range of tourist facilities, subject to location, siting and design criteria and compliance with the Habitats Directive	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-LCAP-9 Encourage the continued sustainable development of rural communities without compromising the physical, environmental, natural and heritage resources of the county.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-LCAP-10 Maintain a vibrant and healthy agricultural sector based on the principles of sustainable development whilst at the same time finding alternative employment in or close to rural areas to sustain rural communities.	Where alternative employment is developed on or near a Natura 2000 site, potential impacts may occur through disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss and/or pollution of watercourses	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-

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	during construction.		P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5.
<p>P-LCAP-11 Preserve the status of traditionally open/unfenced landscapes. Fencing in upland or amenity areas will not normally be permitted unless such fencing is essential to the viability of the farm and conforms to best agricultural practice. The nature of the material to be used, the height of the fence and in the case of a wire fence the type of wire to be used will be taken into account. Barbed-wire will not be used for the top line of wire. Stiles or gates at appropriate places will be required.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>P-LCAP-12 Where possible, preserve the open character of commonage and other hill land and secure access thereto.</p>			
<p>Landscape character assessment and protection objectives</p>			
<p>It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>O-LCAP-1 Undertake a Landscape Character Assessment for County Sligo within the lifetime of this Plan in accordance with the principles of the European Landscape Convention and best practice guidance..</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>O-LCAP-2 Explore, within the lifetime of this Plan, the opportunity of preparing a Local Area Plan and/or designating of Landscape Conservation Area(s), pursuant to Section 204 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000, in respect of the following heritage landscapes: Cuil Irra Peninsula, Carrowkeel and Inishmurray.</p>	Preparation of these LAPs may lead to land being zoned and subsequent development. Development may lead to impacts on the Natura 2000 network including potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss reduction in species distribution and diversity. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-1,2 & 4. P-CZT-1, 3 & 4. O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. P-REN-2
<p>O-LCAP-3 Seek to preserve the landscape character of County Sligo by assessing all development proposals against the provisions of the Development Control Policy Map. Planning applications that have the potential to impact significantly and adversely upon landscape character or scenic views may be required to be accompanied by a visual impact assessment using agreed and appropriate viewing points and methods for the assessment.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>O-LCAP-4 Discourage any developments that would be detrimental to the unique visual character of designated Visually Vulnerable Areas.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>O-LCAP-5 Strictly control new development in designated Sensitive Rural Landscapes, while considering exceptions that can demonstrate a clear need to locate in the area concerned.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>O-LCAP-6 Ensure that any new development in designated Sensitive Rural Landscapes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • does not impinge in any significant way on the character, integrity and distinctiveness of the area; 	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • does not detract from the scenic value of the area; • meets high standards of siting and design; • satisfies all other criteria with regard to, inter alia, servicing, public safety and prevention of pollution. 			
O-LCAP-7 Preserve the scenic views listed in Appendix X by controlling development along designated Scenic Routes and other roads, while facilitating developments that may be tied to a specific location or to the demonstrated needs of applicants to reside in a particular area. In all cases, strict location, siting and design criteria shall apply, as set out in Section 12.3 Residential Development Standards.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-LCAP-8 Liaise with adjoining planning authorities to ensure that development plan policies are consistent in the protection and management of landscape.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Mobility - strategic policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
SP-MOB-1 Integrate transportation planning and land-use planning in order to reduce the need to travel (especially by car), by promoting the consolidation of development in a network of settlements with existing services and facilities.	Potential impacts may occur where settlements are located in close proximity to Natura sites or where new/upgraded WWTPs are required.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
SP-MOB-2 Support the creation of an integrated and environmentally-sound transport system, in particular with regard to accessibility and choice of transport, with a quality intercity bus and rail service, alongside the promotion of cycle facilities and pedestrian movements.	Construction of new road/rail routes may lead to impacts on Natura sites.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-N2000-1 TO 5, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
SP-MOB-3 Make optimal use of existing transportation infrastructure by using traffic management in order to reduce travel times and congestion.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SP-MOB-4 Promote increased use of and investment in public transport by means of appropriate land use planning measures close to existing transport nodes, routes and corridors.	Potential impacts may occur where settlements are located in close proximity to Natura sites or where new/upgraded WWTPs are required. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
SP-MOB-5 Encourage the shift from car use to more environmentally-friendly modes of transport and	Construction of new transport links	Y	The following

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ensure the provision of quality interchange facilities between road, rail, bus and bicycle in relevant settlements.	and interchanges may lead to impacts on the Natura 2000 network. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.		objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5.
SP-MOB-6 Promote the reopening of the Western Rail Corridor from Athenry to Sligo, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	The disused railway line crosses the Unshin River SAC near Coolaney and the River Moy SAC near Carrowmore, Curry and Charlestown. Reopening of the line may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, and habitat loss as well as pollution of watercourses during construction and operation.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-N2000-1 TO 5, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
SP-MOB-7 Plan for the future traffic and transportation needs in Sligo and ensure that new development does not compromise the expansion of rail and road corridors in the County. Proposed road realignment/improvement lines and associated corridors shall be preserved free from development that would prejudice the implementation of the road scheme.	Construction of new road/rail routes may lead to impacts on the Natura 2000 network. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction and operation. Reduction in species density and distribution.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5.
SP-MOB-8 Protect the traffic carrying capacity of national roads, the level of service they deliver and the period over which they continue to perform efficiently, by avoiding the creation of new access points or the generation of increased traffic from existing accesses onto the N4, N15, N16, N17 and N59 outside the 50 km/h speed limit, in accordance with the National Roads Authority's publication Spatial Planning and National Roads (Draft) Guidelines for Planning Authorities.'	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SP-MOB-9 Promote improved access to and sustainable development and operation of Sligo Regional Airport and Sligo Port. Any development that occurs through the implementation of this policy shall be subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Sligo Airport is almost completely surrounded by designated sites (i.e. Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay SAC and Cumeen Strand SPA). In addition, Sligo Port is also located adjacent to Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay SAC and Cumeen Strand SPA. Any development at either the airport or the port may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species,	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-2 & 4, P-CZT-4. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5.

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	fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss and reduction in species density and distribution. Development at both may lead to cumulative impacts on Cumeen Strand SAC/SPA		Amend policy to ensure habitats Directive is adhered to
Mobility – strategic objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
SO-MOB-1 Implement the relevant policies in relation to sustainable transport and in particular the Department of Transport’s policy document <i>Smarter Travel – A Sustainable Transport Future, A New Transport Policy for Ireland 2009–2020</i> .	Construction of new transport links may lead to impacts on Natura sites.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-N2000-1 TO 5, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
SO-MOB-2 Develop a strategy to promote and facilitate greater use of sustainable modes of travel such as walking and cycling, in line with the Department of Transport’s <i>Smarter Travel, Cycle and Walking Strategies</i> .	Construction of new transport links may lead to impacts on Natura sites. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-N2000-1 TO 5, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
Public transport policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-PT-1 Promote the consolidation of settlements on existing public transport routes and along the Western Rail Corridor.	Potential impacts may occur where settlements are located in close proximity to Natura sites or where new/upgraded WWTPs are required. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
P-PT-2 Support the provision of public transport services by reserving land in suitable locations for public transport infrastructure and ancillary facilities, such as park-and-ride.	Potential impacts may occur where facilities are located in close proximity to Natura sites or where new/upgraded WWTPs are required. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10,

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			13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
<p>P-PT-3 Support the provision of a local commuter rail service on the existing mainline railway.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-PT-4 Promote the development of the Western Rail Corridor, as a strategic transport corridor linking Sligo and the North-West with Mayo, Galway and Limerick. Any development that occurs through the implementation of this policy shall be subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive.</p>	<p>The disused railway line crosses Unshin River SAC near Coolaney and the River Moy SAC near Carrowmore, Curry and Charlestown. Reopening of the line may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, and habitat loss as well as pollution of watercourses during construction.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-N2000-1 TO 5, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10 Amend policy to ensure Habitats Directive is adhered to</p>
<p>P-PT-5 Support local, community transport services in consultation with the local communities.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>Public transport objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>O-PT-1 Continue to work with the service providers, such as Iarnrod Eireann and Bus Eireann, to reduce the need for car trips by improving the availability, reliability and quality of public transport.</p>	<p>The provision of new public transport infrastructure may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, reduction in species density and distribution and habitat loss as well as pollution of watercourses during construction and operation.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP 2 to 5.</p>
<p>O-PT-2 Examine the feasibility of a rail link between Sligo and Derry via Manorhamilton and Enniskillen, and the integration of such a rail link with new national road alignments and designs, i.e. N16 (Enniskillen Road). Any development that occurs through the implementation of this policy shall be subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive</p>	<p>The existing N16 runs in close proximity to the Sligo/Leitrim Uplands SPA in Co. Sligo and cuts through the Lough Gill SAC near Manorhamilton in Co. Leitrim. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. Pollution of watercourses from increased discharge from WWTPs/septic tanks</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP 2 to 5.</p> <p>Amend policy to ensure Habitats Directive is adhered to</p>
<p>O-PT-3 Ensure that the design and layout of new developments facilitates circulation by public transport.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from</p>	<p>N</p>	

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General roads objective It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:																															
O-R-1 It is the objective of Sligo County Council to bring National Roads up to appropriate standards, as resources become available, and to continue improvement works on non-national roads so as to develop a safe and comprehensive road system for the county.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-N2000-1 to 5																												
Policies for roads and other linear infrastructure crossing Natura 2000 sites It is a policy of Sligo County Council to require any road project which involves crossing a Natura 2000 site to:																															
P-N2000-1 Demonstrate the need for the project in light of a “do nothing” context.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N																													
P-N2000-2 Examine the potential for intensifying or upgrading existing roads as an alternative to carrying out new road development affecting a Natura 2000 site.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N																													
P-N2000-3 Develop and evaluate a comprehensive series of plausible alternative routes and design strategies (to include long-span and tunnel options).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N																													
P-N2000-4 Demonstrate how each route has taken due account of, and accommodated ecological and legal considerations and legislative requirements, including the requirements of Article 6(3) and (4) of the Habitats Directive..	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N																													
P-N2000-5 Demonstrate that the chosen route will not cause any incursions onto or significant adverse effects on habitats in Natura 2000 sites.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N																													
National roads objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:																															
O-NR-1 Facilitate programmed improvements to the National Road network including the programme of realignments and upgrades, as set out in Table 8.B, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-N2000-1 to 5																												
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N4	Collooney to Castlebaldwin	realignment and upgrading	2015: completion*																												
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N59	Ballysadare to Mayo County Boundary	improvements	ongoing	following Natura 2000 sites: Bunduff Lough And Machair/Trawalua/Mullaghmore SAC, Cummeen Strand /Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay)SAC Streedagh Point Dunes SAC, Lough Gill SAC, Cummeen Strand SPA N16 Sligo City to Leitrim County boundary realignment Potential impacts on the following Natura 2000 sites: Ben Bulben, Gleniff And Glenade Complex SAC, Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay) SAC, Lough Gill SAC Cummeen Strand SPA, Sligo/Leitrim Uplands SPA N4/N15 Potential impacts on Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay) SAC, Cummeen Strand SPA and the Garavogue River part of the Lough Gill SAC N59 Farranyharpy to Ballygreighan – No impacts N59 improvements – Potential construction impacts on the Unshin River SAC at Ballysadare impacts depend on route selected		Ballysadare.
N4/ N15	Sligo Bypass	new route	proposed for a Route Selection Study			
O-NR-2 Restrict new access points onto national roads in accordance with NRA publication <i>Spatial Planning and National Roads (Draft) Guidelines for Planning Authorities</i> , in order to maintain traffic capacity, minimise traffic hazard and protect and maximise public investment in such roads.				No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-NR-3 Carry out a Route Selection Study for a City By-Pass for Sligo City and Environs.				No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-NR-4 Maintain the national road bridge stock.				Maintenance works could have the potential to impact on the Natura network, particularly where bridges cross designated rivers or where works are carried out upstream of a designated site. Potential impacts may arise through disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss and pollution of watercourses during	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-N2000-1 TO 5, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10

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	construction through accidental release of soils/silts and other polluting substances.																		
Non-national roads and bridges objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:																			
O-NNR-1 Identify local priorities for road improvements in conjunction with the preparation of mini-plans and local area plans.		Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-N2000-1 to 5																
O-NNR-2 Implement the roads and traffic management objectives of adopted mini-plans/local area plans, subject to the availability of funding.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. More details of impacts are included in the screening of the miniplans	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-N2000-1 to 5																
O-NNR-3 Improve road access to Sligo Regional Airport, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Sligo Airport is almost completely surrounded by designated sites (i.e. Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay) and Cumeen Strand SPA). Any development at the airport may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-N2000-1 to 5																
O-NNR-4 Continue investment in local roads infrastructure in County Sligo, in order to improve access to peripheral areas of the County and promote social inclusion.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-N2000-1 to 5																
O-NNR-5 Carry out improvement works on regional and local roads, and in particular to the regional road network as set out in Table 8.C, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive Table 8.C Planned non-national road improvements <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Road number</th> <th>Route</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>R284</td> <td>Carrowroe to Roscommon County Boundary (serving Ballygawley, Soeey, Drumnacool and Geevagh)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R290</td> <td>Collooney to Crossboy via Ballygawley and Ballintogher</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R287</td> <td>Sligo City to Dromahair (serving Lough Gill)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R292</td> <td>Entire length from Sligo City to Ballydrehid,</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R293</td> <td>Ballymote to Castlerea (serving Gorteen)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R294</td> <td>Cloonloo to Tobercurry to Lough Talt (on the Ballina to Boyle Road, also serving Gorteen)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>R296</td> <td>Ballymote to Bunnannaddan to R294</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Road number	Route	R284	Carrowroe to Roscommon County Boundary (serving Ballygawley, Soeey, Drumnacool and Geevagh)	R290	Collooney to Crossboy via Ballygawley and Ballintogher	R287	Sligo City to Dromahair (serving Lough Gill)	R292	Entire length from Sligo City to Ballydrehid,	R293	Ballymote to Castlerea (serving Gorteen)	R294	Cloonloo to Tobercurry to Lough Talt (on the Ballina to Boyle Road, also serving Gorteen)	R296	Ballymote to Bunnannaddan to R294	Where the route of a road is adjacent to a Natura 2000 site, impacts may arise through disturbance to bird or mammal species particularly during the construction phase as well as run off of soils disturbed by construction. Where the route of a road cuts through a Natura 2000 site, this may result in habitat loss, reduction in species density and distribution. and/or fragmentation. R284 The existing R284 is adjacent to the Unshin River SAC near Ballygawley Lough (Ballydawley townland)	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-N2000-1 to 5
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R284	Carrowroe to Roscommon County Boundary (serving Ballygawley, Soeey, Drumnacool and Geevagh)																		
R290	Collooney to Crossboy via Ballygawley and Ballintogher																		
R287	Sligo City to Dromahair (serving Lough Gill)																		
R292	Entire length from Sligo City to Ballydrehid,																		
R293	Ballymote to Castlerea (serving Gorteen)																		
R294	Cloonloo to Tobercurry to Lough Talt (on the Ballina to Boyle Road, also serving Gorteen)																		
R296	Ballymote to Bunnannaddan to R294																		

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R297	Dromore West to Enniscrone to Sligo County Boundary (linking the N59)	<p>R290 The existing R290 crosses the River Unshin SAC at Ballygrania Bridge</p> <p>R287 Potential Impacts where the existing road runs adjacent to Lough Gill SAC</p> <p>R292 Potential indirect impacts on the following sites:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ballysadare Bay SAC and SPA Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay SAC Cummeen Strand SPA <p>R293 No potential Impacts</p> <p>R294 Potential indirect impacts on Lough Gara SPA</p> <p>R296 No potential Impacts</p> <p>R297 No potential Impacts</p> <p>R286 Potential impacts where the road runs directly adjacent to and cuts through the Lough Gill SAC, close to the Leitrim border</p> <p>R291 Potential impacts where road runs directly adjacent to Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay SAC/Cummeen Strand SPA</p> <p>R296 (N59 to Enniscrone) (Should this be the R297?)</p> <p>R279 Potential impacts on Bunduff Lough And Machair/Trawalua/Mullaghmore SAC where the existing road cuts through the site.</p>		
R286	Molloway Hill to Leitrim County Boundary			
R291	R291/N15 junction to Rosses Point			
R278	Ballinode to Leitrim County Boundary			
R296	N59 to Enniscrone			
R279	N15 to Mullaghmore			
R870	Sligo City			
S.N.N.	Western Distributor Road			
S.N.N.	Eastern Garavogue Bridge and Approach Roads			
O-NNR-6	Continue to maintain, repair, replace and preserve the considerable bridge stock of the county, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive		Y	Amend policy to ensure Habitats Directive is complied with
O-NNR-7	Develop the Strategic Non-National Road – the Western Distributor Road	Where the route of a road is adjacent to a Natura 2000 site, impacts may arise through disturbance to bird or mammal species particularly during the construction phase as well as run off of soils disturbed by construction. Where the route of a road cuts through a Natura 2000 site, this may result in habitat loss, reduction in species density and distribution.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-N2000-1 to 5

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	and/or fragmentation.		
<p>O-NNR-8 - Develop the Strategic Non-National Road – The Eastern Garavogue Bridge and Approach Roads</p>	<p>Where the route of a road is adjacent to a Natura 2000 site, impacts may arise through disturbance to bird or mammal species particularly during the construction phase as well as run off of soils disturbed by construction. Where the route of a road cuts through a Natura 2000 site, this may result in habitat loss, reduction in species density and distribution. and/or fragmentation.</p>	Y	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-N2000-1 to 5</p>
<p>Cycling and walking policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>P-CW-1 Promote walking and cycling as sustainable transport modes and healthy recreational activities.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	N	
<p>P-CW-2 Promote cycling as a viable commuting mode of transport.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	N	
<p>P-CW-3 Require that all new developments are designed to integrate into a cycling network linking with adjoining development areas and schools, and provide cycle and pedestrian-friendly development layouts, infrastructure and facilities.</p>	<p>Construction of extended cycle lanes may lead to impacts on the Natura 2000 network. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.</p>	Y	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-N2000-1 TO 5, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10</p>
<p>P-CW-4 Consider the use of off-road routes, such as disused railway lines and bridle paths, for both walking and cycling to improve access to rural tourist attractions.</p>	<p>Use of existing off road routes may lead to impacts on the Natura 2000 network. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.</p>	Y	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-N2000-1 TO 5, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10</p>
<p>P-CW-5 Protect and promote Greenways and consider designating them as public rights of way.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	N	
<p>P-CW-6 A number of long-distance walking routes exist throughout the county. These long-distance walks together with local walks provide important access networks. This is an important recreational resource whose integrity should be protected. The impact of any proposed development on these routes should be taken into account when considering applications for permission for developments in the vicinity.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	N	
<p>Cycling and walking objectives</p>			

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<p>It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>O-CW-1 Provide, improve and extend cycle and pedestrian routes on existing roads, proposed roads, roads being upgraded and green corridors (including river corridors), where feasible, practical and subject to compliance with Habitats Directive</p>	<p>Construction of extended cycle lanes may lead to impacts on the Natura 2000 network. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-N2000-1 TO 5, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10</p>
<p>O-CW-2 Develop cycle routes from Strandhill, Rosses Point, Ballysadare and Collooney to Sligo City, subject to compliance with Habitats Directive</p>		<p>Y</p>	<p>Amend policy to provide for site selection/AA process</p>
<p>O-CW-3 Plan and make provision for the safe and efficient movement of cyclists and pedestrians in and around built-up areas</p>	<p>Upgrading or alteration of cycle lanes may lead to impacts on the Natura 2000 network, where such works are carried out within or adjacent to designated sites. Potential impacts may occur through disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss. Impacts may occur where additional lighting is installed alongside river habitats leading to disturbance of bats. Pollution of watercourses during construction.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-N2000-1 TO 5, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10</p>
<p>O-CW-4 Make provision for the integration of pedestrian and cycle facilities (i.e. bicycle parking) at public transportation nodes and village/town centres.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>O-CW-5 Implement the relevant policies of the Department of Transport's <i>National Cycle Policy Framework</i> and support the provision of a National Cycle Network..</p>	<p>Implementation of this policy may lead to the construction of additional cycle infrastructure which in turn may lead to impacts on the Natura 2000 network, where such works are carried out within or adjacent to designated sites. Potential impacts may occur through disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss. Impacts may occur where additional lighting is installed alongside river habitats leading to disturbance of bats. Pollution of watercourses during construction.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-N2000-1 TO 5, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10</p>
<p>O-CW-6 Commence the process of mapping rights of way in the County during the lifetime of this development plan.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	

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O-CW-7 Implement the relevant provisions of the Department of Transport's Walking Policy, when published.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-CW-8 Provide appropriate facilities for pedestrians and for people with special mobility needs.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-CW-9 Prepare a Transport Plan for Sligo to include all modes of transport, in line with the Department of Transport's guidelines, when published.	Implementation of a transport plan may lead to construction of new infrastructure. Potential impacts may occur through disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss. Impacts may occur where additional lighting is installed alongside river habitats leading to disturbance of bats Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-N2000-1 TO 5, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
O-CW-10 Support the development of a foot- and cycleway (greenway) alongside the disused railway line from Claremorris to Collooney, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive, insofar as such route does not compromise the reopening of the Western Rail Corridor.	Potential impacts may occur through disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss. Impacts may occur where additional lighting is installed alongside river habitats leading to disturbance of bats Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, P-N2000-1 TO 5, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
Airports objective It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-A-1 Promote and support improved access to and expansion of Sligo Regional and Knock International Airports, so as to secure a better level and frequency of service and promote Sligo's accessibility to tourists and businesses, both nationally and internationally. Any development that occurs through the implementation of this policy shall be subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Sligo Airport is almost completely surrounded by designated sites (i.e. Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay) and Cumeen Strand SPA). Any development at the airport may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-2 & 4, P-CZT-4. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5. Wording of policy was changed as per text in red.
Port and harbours policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-PH-1 Continue to support the sustainable development and operation of Sligo Port.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.		

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<p>P-PH-2 Support the role of harbours, piers and shipways in facilitating fishing, marine leisure, recreation and other activities including the RNLI station at Rosses Point.</p>	<p>Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution during construction. Development and expansion of the RNLI station may lead to impacts on Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay SAC and SPA</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-TOU-2 & 4, O-CZT-4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1, 4, 5 & 6, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-CP-1 to 5.</p>
<p>Port and harbours objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>O-PH-1 Improve road and rail access to the Port, in order to boost its viability as an international freight port.</p>	<p>Sligo Port is located adjacent to Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay SAC and Cumeen Strand SPA. Any development at either the port may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss and reduction in species density and distribution. Development at the harbour may contribute to cumulative impacts on Cumeen Strand SAC/SPA</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-2 & 4, P-CZT-4. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5.</p>
<p>O-PH-2 Carry out improvements at Mullaghmore, Enniscrone and Pullacheeny Harbours and maintain and improve other piers and harbours, as resources allow, subject to the requirements of the Habitats Directive.</p>	<p>In general development at hourbbour and pies may impact the Natura 2000 network, depending on the proximity of designated sites. Mullaghmore harbour is located within Bunduff Lough And Machair/Trawalua/Mullaghmore SAC. The nearest designated site to Enniscrone and Pullachenny harbours is Killala Bay/Moy Estuary SPA and SAC. Development may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss and reduction in species density and distribution.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-2 & 4, P-CZT-4. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-N2000-1 to 5. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10. P-CP-1 to 5.</p>
<p>O-PH-3 Maintain navigation aids and tidal gauges as necessary for the benefit of the maritime and coastal communities, subject to the requirements of the Habitats Directive.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>Strategic water, wastewater and storm drainage objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>SO-W-1 Improve water and wastewater services in those areas of the county where deficiencies exist at present, subject to the availability of resources and appropriate statutory approvals.</p>	<p>Improving water services may result in a decrease in water loss from older infrastructure and water mains.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided:</p>

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	<p>However, increased water abstraction could lead to negative impacts on groundwater and surface water dependant habitats. In turn this could lead to disturbance/loss of species and habitat loss.</p> <p>Overall, improving wastewater services will have a positive effect on surface water and groundwater quality, leading to positive impacts on habitats and species. However, where treated wastewater is discharged to receiving waters that have a low assimilative capacity or have previously not been subject to discharge, a decrease in water quality may lead to species and habitat loss.</p>		<p>SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14 O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10</p>
<p>SO-W-2 Carry out measures to address deficiencies in existing water and wastewater infrastructure, so as to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements and the objectives of the Water Framework Directive.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>SO-W-3 Preserve and further develop water and wastewater infrastructure in order to facilitate the growth of settlements at an appropriate rate which is consistent with the Core Strategy and the Settlement Structure.</p>	<p>Increased water abstraction could lead to negative impacts on groundwater and surface water dependant habitats. In turn this could lead to disturbance/loss of species and habitat loss.</p> <p>Overall, improving wastewater services will have a positive effect on surface water and groundwater quality, leading to positive impacts on habitats and species. However, where treated wastewater is discharged to receiving waters that have a low assimilative capacity or have previously not been subject to discharge, a decrease in water quality may lead to species and habitat loss.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14 O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10</p>
<p>SO-W-4 Implement adequate surface water drainage measures and prohibit unsuitable development in flood-susceptible areas.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>SO-W-5 Prepare a Water Services Strategic Plan – in compliance with the Water Services Act – for the functional area of the Council. Such a Plan may be prepared jointly with other Water Services Authorities.</p>	<p>The Water Services Plan may lead to increased water abstraction could lead to negative impacts on groundwater and surface water dependant habitats. In turn this could lead to disturbance/loss of species and</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 &</p>

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	habitat loss.		30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14 O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8 & 10. P-WS-2 to 6
Water supply policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-WS-1 Ensure an adequate, sustainable and economic supply of good quality water for domestic, commercial and industrial use, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Improving water services may result in a decrease in water loss from older infrastructure and water mains. However, increased water abstraction could lead to negative impacts on groundwater and surface water dependant habitats. In turn this could lead to disturbance/loss of species and habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14 O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8 & 10. P-WS-2 to 6
P-WS-2 Conserve water supplies through the minimisation of leakage and wastage in the interests of efficiency and sustainability.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WS-3 Promote public awareness and involvement in water conservation measures.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WS-4 Co-operate, support and advise in the provision and management of group water schemes in the County.	Potential impacts may occur where the provision of group water schemes leads to the abstraction of surface or ground water. This may lead to impacts on ground/surface water dependant Natura 2000 sites through habitat/species loss and reduction in species density and distribution.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-RHOU-1. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10.
P-WS-5 Promote the inclusion of water conservation and sustainability measures so as to minimise the use of potable water in new developments.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WS-6 Existing and future population within the County shall be served with clean and wholesome drinking water. It is Council policy to ensure that all drinking water complies with the European Union Drinking Water Directive 98/83/EC as given effect in Irish law by the European Communities (Drinking Water) (No.2) Regulations 2007, as may be amended, and to implement the relevant recommendations set out in The Provision and Quality of Drinking Water in Ireland – A report for the Years 2007-2008 (EPA Office of Environment Enforcement, 2009).	Provision of drinking water may lead to increased water abstraction. This in turn could lead to negative impacts on groundwater and surface water dependant habitats. In turn this could lead to disturbance/loss of species and habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-RHOU-1. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10.
Water supply objectives			

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<p>It is the objective of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>O-WS-1 Complete the construction of the new water treatment plant at Kilsellagh subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive</p>	<p>Abstraction of water may cause impacts on habitats and species that are surface water dependant.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WS-2 to 6, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8 & 10.</p>
<p>O-WS-2 Complete the planning and construction of the new water treatment plant at Lough Talt subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive</p>	<p>Lough Talt is within the Lough Hoe Bog SAC and as an oligotrophic lake, is a qualifying feature of the SAC. Abstraction of water may cause impacts on habitats and species that are surface water dependant.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WS-2 to 6, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8 & 10.</p>
<p>O-WS-3 Extend the existing water treatment plant at Foxes Den (depending on future growth in the Sligo and Environs area) subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive</p>	<p>The treatment plant at Foxes Den treats water abstracted from Lough Gill, which is an SAC designated for a number of surface water dependant species and habitats. Potential impacts on habitats and species that are surface water dependant from abstraction of water</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WS-2 to 6, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8 & 10.</p>
<p>O-WS-4 Carry out a strategic review of both North Sligo and Lough Easky Regional Water Supply Schemes. Any development that occurs through the implementation of this policy shall be subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive</p>	<p>Potential impacts may occur through the abstraction of surface or ground water. This may lead to impacts on ground/surface water dependant Natura 2000 sites through habitat/species loss and reduction in species density and distribution.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-RHOU-1. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10.</p>
<p>O-WS-5 Continue to advance the Water Conservation Programme in the County area.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>O-WS-6 Improve the water supply to the South Sligo Area.</p>	<p>Potential impacts on habitats and species that are groundwater and</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure</p>

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	surface water dependant from abstraction of water		that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WS-2 to 6, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8 & 10.
O-WS-7 Implement the requirements of the EC (Drinking Water) (No. 2) Regulations 2007.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WS-8 Provide an adequate water supply for fire fighting, where feasible.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WS-9 Continue to implement the annual Rural Water Programme. Any development that occurs through the implementation of this policy shall be subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive.	Potential impacts may occur through the abstraction of surface or ground water. This may lead to impacts on ground/surface water dependant Natura 2000 sites through habitat/species loss and reduction in species density and distribution.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-RHOU-1. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10.
O-WS-10 Advance all the schemes listed on the Water Services Investment Programmes, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive.	Potential impacts may occur through the abstraction of surface or ground water. This may lead to impacts on ground/surface water dependant Natura 2000 sites through habitat/species loss and reduction in species density and distribution.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WS-2 to 6, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8 & 10.
Wastewater policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-WW-1 Ensure sustainable collection, treatment and discharge of wastewater effluent generated within the County.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WW-2 Ensure that developers provide effective drainage systems with separate foul and surface water networks.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WW-3 Ensure that effluent / sludge is treated and disposed of in accordance with the required EU standards.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WW-4 Promote the sustainable use of wastewater treatment facilities.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WW-5 Strive to provide adequate wastewater treatment capacity to facilitate development in county Sligo. The provision of such infrastructure will only be pursued where the planning authority is satisfied that it is necessary	Overall, improving wastewater services will have a positive effect on	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure

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and in accordance with the requirements of the Core Strategy and the Settlement Structure of the County.	surface water and groundwater quality, leading to positive impacts on habitats and species. However, where treated wastewater is discharged to receiving waters that have a low assimilative capacity or have previously not been subject to discharge, a decrease in water quality may lead to species and habitat loss and reduction in species density and distribution.		that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10.
P-WW-6 Facilitate appropriate proposals from private developers to extend existing public wastewater infrastructure networks, where such proposals would result in the servicing of lands zoned in accordance with the Core Strategy. Any such proposal shall be assessed on a case-by-case basis.	Potential impacts from increased discharges of wastewater, leading to a decrease in water quality and reduction of species diversity and/or density	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
P-WW-7 Ensure that public wastewater treatment infrastructure is in place, with adequate capacity, prior to developments being occupied.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WW-8 All proposals for on-site Treatment Systems shall be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency Code of Practice for Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems Serving Single Houses (p.e.≤10)". (EPA 2009) and/or Treatment Systems for Small Communities, business, Leisure Centres and Hotels", and any guidance documents issued by the County Council.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WW-9 As relevant and as appropriate, seek to implement the relevant measures for individual water bodies set out in the Western River Basin Management Plan and the Shannon and North Western International River Basin Management Plans and the associated Programmes of Measures.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WW-10 Prohibit the discharge or disposal of domestic wastewater from one-off houses, following treatment, to surface water bodies.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WW-11 Ensure that adequately designed grease-traps are installed and maintained in all commercial premises where food is prepared.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WW-12 Ensure that adequately designed oil interceptors are installed in all commercial developments that include car-parks or other oil- and petrol-related activities.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WW-13 Regulate discharges to local authority sewerage schemes to protect and improve groundwater and surface water quality in accordance with the requirements of the Water Framework Directive.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WW-14 Ensure tertiary treatment (phosphorus removal) is provided in proposed upgrades to existing or new local authority wastewater treatment infrastructure.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WW-15 Discourage the use of pumping stations in private developments. Storm overflows from pumping stations serving private developments shall not be permitted.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WW-16 Promote the establishment of a satisfactory management structure in relation to existing in-situ private wastewater pumping stations.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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<p>P-WW-17 Development proposing to connect to the public wastewater treatment system shall not be permitted unless the planning authority is satisfied that adequate capacity is available. Exceptions to this policy will be considered in cases where works on upgrading the wastewater facilities have commenced and will be completed within a reasonable timeframe. In such cases, appropriate conditions shall be applied to planning permissions to ensure that the proposed development and the upgrading works are suitably phased.</p>	<p>Potential impacts from increased discharges of wastewater, leading to a decrease in water quality and loss of species diversity and/or density</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10</p>
<p>P-WW-18 In cases where a settlement is not served by a public wastewater treatment plant, or where no spare capacity exists in an existing wastewater treatment plant, individual developments proposing to use on-site wastewater treatment will be considered subject to appropriate scale, assessment, design and conditions taking groundwater vulnerability into account. Any such permitted development shall be subject to legally binding maintenance and bonding arrangements agreed with the planning authority and shall be required to connect to the public wastewater treatment plant when/if adequate capacity becomes available. However, communal on-site wastewater treatment systems (i.e. systems servicing more than 1 residential unit / commercial premises etc) will not be permitted in any case.</p>	<p>Potential impacts from increased discharges of wastewater, leading to a decrease in water quality and loss of species diversity and/or density</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10</p>
<p>P-WW-19 In cases where capacity exists, all proposed developments will be required to connect to the public wastewater treatment plant.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-WW-20 Development shall be accompanied by financial contributions to facilitate the provision of wastewater treatment infrastructure with adequate capacity that will ensure compliance with the provisions of the relevant River Basin Management Plan(s) and the Habitats Directive.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>P-WW-21 It is Council policy to implement the relevant recommendations set out in Urban Waste Water Discharges in Ireland for Population Equivalents Greater than 500 Persons – A Report for the Years 2006 and 2007 (EPA Office of Environment Enforcement, 2009) where feasible, and to examine the feasibility of connecting unsewered areas including individual properties/premises currently serviced by septic tanks to existing and planned sewer networks subject to the availability of resources.</p>	<p>Overall, improving wastewater services will have a positive effect on surface water and groundwater quality, leading to positive impacts on habitats and species. However, where treated wastewater is discharged to receiving waters that have a low assimilative capacity or have previously not been subject to discharge, a decrease in water quality may lead to species and habitat loss and reduction in species density and distribution.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-RHOU-1 & 3. P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. SO-W-2. P-WS-2, 3, 5, 6, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10.</p>
<p>Wastewater objectives It is the objective of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>O-WW-1 Complete the construction of the new wastewater treatment plants at Tobercurry, Grange, Strandhill and Ballinafad. Amend the policy to include 'subject to necessary approval and compliance with the Habitats Directive'</p>	<p>Potential impacts from increased discharges of wastewater, leading to a decrease in water quality and loss of species diversity and/or density</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 &</p>

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			19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10 Amend the policy to include 'subject to necessary approval and compliance with the Habitats Directive'
O-WW-2 Complete the planning and construction of the new wastewater treatment plant at Ballintogher, Bunnanadden, Cliffony, Ballinacarrow, Mullaghmore and Ballygawley, subject to necessary approvals and compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Potential impacts from increased discharges of wastewater, leading to a decrease in water quality and loss of species diversity and/or density	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
O-WW-3 Complete the construction of a wastewater collection system to pump wastewater from Rosses Point, Ballincar and Cregg into Sligo Main Drainage.	Potential impacts from increased discharges of wastewater, leading to a decrease in water quality and loss of species diversity and/or density	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
O-WW-4 Complete the planning stage for upgrade works to Collooney and Ballymote WWTPs, subject to necessary approvals and compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive	Potential impacts from increased discharges of wastewater, leading to a decrease in water quality and loss of species diversity and/or density	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10
O-WW-5 Facilitate the sustainable development of towns and villages by improving and extending wastewater infrastructure as set out in Table 9.B, subject to the availability of necessary funding and compliance with the Core Strategy and Settlement Structure for the County.	Aclare: No impacts Ballinacarrow: Potential impacts from increased discharge Ballinacarrow: Potential impacts from increased discharge Ballinacarrow / Cregg / Rosses Point Main Drainage Scheme: No impacts as discharge is via Sligo Main Drainage, which has sufficient	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-Z-6, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, O-NH-11, 18 & 19, P-NH-19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30, SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13 & 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10

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Town/Scheme	Current design PE*	Existing outfall / treatment	New design PE	Remarks	capacity. Ballinode / Hazelwood Main Drainage Scheme: No Impacts Ballintogher: Potential impacts from increased discharge of treated wastewater Ballygawley: Potential impacts from discharge of treated wastewater Ballymote: No Impacts Ballysadare: No Impacts Bunnannaddan: Potential impact through discharge of wastewater, depending on where the discharge point is. Carney: No Impacts Carrowroe Main Drainage Scheme: Potential impact through discharge of wastewater, depending on where the discharge point is Castlebaldwin: Mini plan has objective for provision of a new WWTP? Cliffony: Potential impact through discharge of wastewater, depending on where wastewater is discharged to Cloonacool: No Impacts Collooney: Miniplan indicates that WWTP will be expanded to 5,000pe Potential impact through increased discharge of wastewater, depending on where wastewater is discharged to Coolaney: No Impacts Culfadda: Potential cumulative impacts on Ballysadare Bay through discharge of wastewater from multiple WWTPs. Cummeen Main Drainage Scheme: Potential impacts from increased discharge via Sligo Main Drainage Curry: No Impacts Dromore West: No Impacts Drumcliff: No Impacts Easky: No Impacts		Amend the policy to include 'subject to necessary approval and compliance with the Habitats Directive'
Aclare	750	Inlet works, Aeration tank,clarifer, Sludge holding tank	n/a	New treatment works completed in 2005, part of 20 O&M contract			
Ballinacarrow	250	extended aeration	1000	New treatment works proposed			
Ballinafad	150	septic tank & ABR, peat based percolation system	350	New treatment works proposed			
Ballincar / Cregg / Rosses Point Main Drainage Scheme	1500	holding tank, sea outfall at Rosses point	5,000	New Collection system to be completed to pump wastewater from Rosses Point (Ballincar, Cregg, Rosses Point WWTW**) into Sligo Main Drainage - 5,000 PE			
Ballinode / Hazelwood Main Drainage Scheme	n/a	n/a	n/a	Drainage Masterplan has been developed.			
Ballintogher	200	Aeration tanks & peat-based percolation system	500	New WWTW to be completed as part of small scheme programme.			
Ballygawley	n/a	n/a	750	New treatment works and collection system proposed			
Ballymote	3000	Inlet Works, extended aeration, Clarifier, sludge Holding tanks, Satellite Hub centre.	n/a	Design Review to be completed and upgrade of the existing WWTW to be completed			
Ballysadare	4500	New inlet works, aeration tanks, Clarifier, storm tank and sludge holding tank	n/a	new treatment works completed in 2005, part of 20 O&M contract			
Bunnannaddan	80	septic tank	350	New WWTW to be completed as part of small scheme programme.			
Carney	2500	New inlet works, aeration tanks, Clarifier, and sludge holding tank	n/a	New treatment works completed in 2007.			
Carrowroe Main Drainage Scheme	n/a	n/a	4000	Proposed new Collection system to be completed.			
Castlebaldwin	100	septic tank & peat-based percolation system	n/a	n/a			
Cliffony	450	extended aeration	1750	New treatment works proposed			
Cloonacool	750	Inlet works,Aeration tank,clarifer, Sludge holding tank	n/a	New treatment works completed in 2005, part of 20 Yr O&M contract.			
Collooney	1400	extended aeration, clarifer	n/a	Preliminary Report to be completed for upgrade of the existing WWTW.			
Coolaney	2500	New inlet works, aeration tanks, Clarifier, storm tank and sludge holding tank	n/a	new treatment works completed in 2007, part of 20 yr O&M contract.			

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Culfadda	150	extended aeration	n/a	Spare Capacity in the existing plant	Enniscrone: No Impacts Geevagh: No Impacts Grange: Potential impact through increased discharge of wastewater, depending on where wastewater is discharged to Gorteen: No impacts Monasteraden: No Impacts Mullaghmore: Potential impact through increased discharge of wastewater, depending on where wastewater is discharged to Rathcormack: No Impacts Riverstown: No Impacts Rockfield: No Impacts Sligo Main Drainage Scheme: No Impacts Strandhill: Potential impact through increased discharge of wastewater, depending on where wastewater is discharged to Teesan/Lisnalurg Main Drainage Scheme: No Impacts Tobercurry: Potential impact through increased discharge of wastewater, depending on where wastewater is discharged to		
Cummeen Main Drainage Scheme	n/a	n/a	3,000	proposal to pump wastewater from Cummeen into Sligo Main Drainage - 3,000 PE			
Curry	400	extended aeration	n/a	Spare Capacity in the existing plant			
Dromore West	2500	New inlet works, aeration tanks, Clarifier, storm tank and sludge holding tank	n/a	New treatment works completed in 2007, part of 20 yr O&M contract.			
Drumcliff	150	septic tank & peat-based percolation system	n/a	Review of this scheme to be completed.			
Easky	450	extended aeration	n/a	Upgrade works completed in 2008, New Pumping station to be completed in early 2010, part of 20 yr O&M contract.			
Enniscrone	5000	New inlet works, aeration tanks, Clarifier, storm tank and sludge holding tank, Sludge Hub Centre.	n/a	New treatment works completed in 2008, part of 20 yr O&M contract.			
Geevagh	250	extended aeration	n/a	Upgrade works completed in 2009 as part of small scheme programme			
Grange	280	extended aeration	2,500	new treatment works proposed			
Gorteen	2500	New inlet works, aeration tanks, Clarifier, storm tank and sludge holding tank	n/a	new treatment works completed in 2008			
Monasteraden	400	extended aeration	n/a	none			
Mullaghmore	320	holding tank, sea outfall	2400	new treatment works proposed			
Rathcormack	N/A	N/A	N/A	Funding will be sought from the DoEHLG to assess the feasibility of providing public wastewater treatment.			
Riverstown	600	extended aeration	n/a	Spare Capacity in the existing plant			
Rockfield	250	Extended aeration plant	n/a	New scheme completed in 2007			
Sligo Main Drainage Scheme	50,000	New Pumping station, New inlet works, aeration tanks, Clarifiers, storm holding tanks tank and Sludge Hub Centre.	n/a	New Treatment plant completed in 2009.			
Strandhill	1500	oxidation ditch	4,500	upgrade of existing WWTW			
Teesan / Lisnalurg Main Drainage Scheme	5,500	Pumping station and associated pipework	n/a	All work associated with this scheme were completed in 2009.			
Tobercurry	1400	Imhoff tank, percolating tank, tertiary treatment	5,000	upgrade of existing treatment works proposed			
O-WW-6 Achieve compliance with the Urban Wastewater Treatment (Amendment) Regulations 2004 with regard to wastewater collection, treatment and discharge and implement the relevant recommendations set out in Urban Waste Water Discharges in Ireland for Population Equivalents Greater than 500 Persons – A Report for the Years 2006 and 2007 (EPA)..					No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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O-WW-7 Implement the Sludge Management Plan for the County.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy. Potential impacts may occur from landspreading of sludges or construction of facilities to process sludges. Impacts may result in loss of habitats and species, pollution of watercourses from run-off of nutrients and decrease in surface and groundwater quality, leading to reduction in species density and distribution.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-AGD-3, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8, 10.
O-WW-8 Achieve compliance with the requirements of the Water Framework Directive.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Surface water drainage policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-SW-1 Require the provision and use of separate foul and surface water drainage systems.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SW-2 Ensure that developments are kept at an appropriate distance from watercourses, to protect them from contamination, allow for natural drainage and facilitate channel clearing maintenance.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SW-3 Preserve and protect the water quality of natural surface water storage sites, such as wetlands, where these help to regulate stream flows, recharge groundwater and screen pollutants (such features also provide important habitat functions).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SW-4 Protect wetland areas and floodplains from development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SW-5 Prohibit the alteration of natural drainage systems and, in the case of development works, require the provision of acceptable mitigation measures in order to minimise the risk of flooding and negative impacts on water quality (including run-off, erosion and sedimentation).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SW-6 Protect drainage characteristics of river channels and streams that can facilitate surface water drainage, by ensuring that development is kept at an appropriate distance from stream banks and/or adequate protection measures are put in place.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SW-7 Promote storm water retention facilities for new developments and existing catchment areas, particularly where developments are proposed in proximity to an existing open water course or stream.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-SW-8 Encourage and, where appropriate, require that the permitted flow from a development to a public storm water drain or watercourse is restricted/equal to the natural run-off rates from the undeveloped site.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Waste management policies			
P-WM-1 Promote reduction, recycling, reuse and proper management of all waste through practices which limit environmental pollution.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WM-2 Liaise with and encourage the private sector, semi-state and voluntary groups to actively pursue initiatives which involve recycling and/or reuse. Minimise unnecessary consumption of depletable natural resources and, through the proper reuse and recycling of waste, divert as much waste from landfill as possible.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WM-3 Promote the development of facilities in accordance with the waste hierarchy principle, which involves a shift toward preventive and waste minimization measures, while developing recycling and reuse, disposal with	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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energy recovery and, as the last option, disposal of residual waste to landfill.			
P-WM-4 Promote measures to reduce the production of waste and encourage the recycling of construction and demolition waste and the reuse of aggregates and other materials in future construction projects.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WM-5 Require the incorporation of waste reduction/minimisation measures in the design and construction of developments, particularly those that are likely to give rise to large amounts of C&D waste. For certain developments, site-specific waste plans will be required.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WM-6 Require all new developments – including residential, commercial and industrial developments, neighbourhood centres, shopping and retail areas – to provide adequate storage for the three segregated municipal waste types (organic, recyclable and landfill waste) and incorporate waste management facilities commensurate with their nature and scale. Waste collection points shall have adequate access to provide for loading and further division after recycling on site, in order to facilitate the achievement of high recycling levels, as specified in the Waste Management Plan.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WM-7 Encourage and enforce initiatives under Waste Management Regulations made under the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2010 and implement the 'polluter pays principle', proximity principle, precautionary principle and the principle of shared responsibility in all waste management initiatives and investigations.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Waste management objectives			
O-WM-1 Implement the Connacht Waste Management Plan and strive to provide, or assist the private sector in the provision of the necessary waste management infrastructure required for the achievement of the targets.	Any development within the county could potentially have direct and/or indirect impacts on the Natura 2000 network through fragmentation of habitats or habitat loss, reduction in species density and distribution and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and operation of facilities.	Y	Current plan is being revised and this will be subject to AA. In addition, the following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5.
O-WM-2 Make appropriate provision for a bring bank centre for glass and cans in each village.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WM-3 Co-operate with other agencies in ensuring the safe disposal of hazardous waste by implementing the relevant provisions of the National Hazardous Waste Management Plan 2008-2012.	Implementation of the NHWMP may lead to the development and construction of infrastructure. This could lead to potential impacts habitats or habitat loss, reduction in species density and distribution and disturbance of species. Pollution of watercourses may occur during construction and operation of facilities.	N	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 8, 10. P-CP-2 to 5.
O-WM-4 Examine the feasibility of energy recovery from large sewage treatment facilities.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WM-5 Strive to implement the Litter Management Plan 2007-2010 and successor plans.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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O-WM-6 Where resources allow, carry out risk assessments in accordance with the EPA published code of practice <i>Environmental Risk Assessments for Unregulated Waste Disposal Sites</i> for any historic unregulated waste disposal sites identified and develop appropriate remediation plans for such sites.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WM-7 Promote the roll-out and encourage the use of the third bin for organic waste.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WM-9 In relation to any proposals for development of lands that may be contaminated or filled with waste (e.g. reclaimed / filled lands), require the applicants to engage specialist environmental consultants to investigate and assess the presence and extent of contamination, and to recommend remediation measures for agreement with the Local Authorities.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WM-10 Require the preparation of Waste Management Plans for the construction stages of developments where deemed necessary.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Water quality policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-WQ-1 Ensure that all development proposals have regard to the policies, objectives and measures detailed in the River Basin Management Plans.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WQ-2 Ensure that all development proposals have regard to the policies and objectives of the Sligo Groundwater Protection Scheme to ensure the protection of groundwater resources and groundwater dependent habitats and species.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WQ-3 Ensure compliance with the provisions of the European Communities Environmental Objectives (Surface Waters) Regulations 2009 and the European Communities Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) Regulations 2010 (S.I.9 of 2010) and the Groundwater Directive (2006/118/EC) on the protection of groundwater against pollution and deterioration..	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WQ-4 Ensure compliance with the provisions of the European Communities (Quality of Shellfish Waters) Regulations and the objectives of Shellfish Pollution Reduction Programmes.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WQ-5 Ensure compliance with the requirements of the Bathing Water Quality Regulations 2008 (S.I. No. 79 of 2008).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WQ-6 Protect the quality of estuarine, coastal and designated Shellfish Waters by controlling land-based discharges to these waters.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WQ-7 Strictly limit and control new development in or near the catchment areas of water bodies, particularly salmonid rivers and those that are the source of the following drinking water supplies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lough Gill ▪ Lough Arrow ▪ Kilsellagh Source catchment ▪ Lough Talt ▪ Lough Easky ▪ Gortnaleck and Lyle streams ▪ Riverstown Source Catchment 	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WQ-8 Require adherence to any source protection plans for the above-mentioned drinking water source catchments.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WQ-9 Require that all proposals for on-site wastewater treatment systems be designed and constructed in accordance with the Environmental Protection Agency's <i>Code of Practice for Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems Serving Single Houses</i> (p.e.≤ 10) (EPA 2009).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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P-WQ-10 Prohibit any development which is likely to lead to the deterioration of water quality.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-WQ-11 Ensure compliance with European Communities (Good Agricultural Practice for Protection of Waters) Regulations 2009.			
Water quality objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-WQ-1 Implement the management measures contained in the Western RBD, Shannon International RBD and North-western International RBD Management Plans.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WQ-2 Implement the Shellfish Pollution Reduction Programmes.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WQ-3 Ensure the continuation of measures to enforce water pollution legislation.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WQ-4 Seek to achieve consistency between development management and environmental pollution control measures taking adaptation to climate change into account.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WQ-5 Continue monitoring, auditing and reviewing County Sligo's environmental status with regard to the quality of groundwater, river, lake, estuarine and coastal waters.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WQ-6 Require farmers in high-risk areas to prepare nutrient management plans.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WQ-7 Consider drafting bye-laws under the Local Government (Water Pollution) (Amendment) Act 1990, where it is considered necessary for the regulation of agricultural and forestry activities and on-site wastewater treatment systems.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WQ-8 Maintain existing satisfactory water quality and improve all unsatisfactory waters in the County in accordance with the provisions of the EU Water Framework Directive (2000/60/EC).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WQ-9 Prepare and enforce Source Protection Plans for drinking water catchments within the County.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WQ-10 Require that all discharges to waters and sewers be licensed in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government (Water Pollution) Acts 1977 & 1990, European Communities Environmental Objectives (Surface Waters) Regulations 2009 (S.I. No. 272 of 2009) and European Communities Environmental Objectives (Groundwater) Regulations, 2010 .	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WQ-11 Promote public awareness of invasive species, to maximise protection for all water bodies from infestation by invasive species, including Zebra Mussel, and Japanese Knotweed.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-WQ-12 Promote public awareness on the protection of water quality and water conservation.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Policies for development in coastal areas			
P-DCA-1 Generally restrict development in the coastal zone - specifically between coastal roads and the sea - except where it can be demonstrated that it does not detract from views or impact on environmentally sensitive areas. Exceptions will be considered for sustainable tourism development, public infrastructural works and development that is contiguous with existing towns and villages.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-1, 2 & 4. P-CZT-1,3 & 4, O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1, 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11.

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			P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WW-1, 7, & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP 1 to 5. P-DCA-4
<p>P-DCA-2 Restrict the location of industrial development within the coastal zone to resource-based activities that have a clear and demonstrable need, i.e. those dependent on resources offered at the sea or coast (e.g. maritime industries, mariculture). All such proposals will be subject to the strict application of location, siting and design criteria.</p>	<p>Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-1, 2 & 4. P-CZT-1,3 & 4, O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1, 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11. P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WW-1, 7, & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP 1 to 5. P-DCA-4</p>
<p>P-DCA-3 Promote existing degraded coastal areas, i.e. those where quarrying or other deleterious activities have taken place, as significant brownfield development sites, subject to appropriate environmental mitigation measures and the strict application of location, siting and design criteria.</p>	<p>Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-1, 2 & 4. P-CZT-1,3 & 4, O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1, 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11. P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WW-1, 7, & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP 1 to 5. P-DCA-4</p>
<p>P-DCA-4 Any development proposal in coastal areas will be subject to the requirements of the Habitats Directive, including the assessment of potential cumulative, in-combination effects in association with other, plans, programmes, projects and works.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
Objectives for development in coastal areas			
<p>O-DCA-1 Maintain and update the Marine Emergency Response Plan for the Sligo Coast.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>O-DCA-2 Control and minimise sources of water and land pollution.</p>	<p>No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy</p>	<p>N</p>	
<p>O-DCA-3 Consider the establishment of a local forum for each of the coastal cells along the County's coastline, involving landowners, local communities and relevant interest groups, to explore and resolve coastal zone management issues that are specific to each area.</p>	<p>Impacts, including indirect and cumulative impacts, may occur where solutions to coastal zone management issues include physical alterations to the coastal zone. This may have implications where physical alterations occur within the Natura 2000 network</p>	<p>Y</p>	<p>The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-1, 2 & 4. P-CZT-1,3 & 4, O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1, 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-</p>

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	or where such works alter currents and/or deposition and accretion of sand and sediments, affecting habitats up and down the coast		NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11. P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WW-1, 7, & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP 1 to 5
Policies for coastal protection			
P-CP-1 Ensure that regard is paid to visual and environmental considerations in the design of coastal defence works.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-CP-2 Ensure that any developments permitted within the coastal zone are appropriately sited, having regard to coastal flooding, vulnerability and the predicted rise in sea level.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-CP-3 Require that flood risk assessment is carried out in relation to development proposals within the coastal zones, where appropriate.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-CP-4 Establish development limits and natural buffers at the coast, particularly in conjunction with the preparation of local area plans and mini-plans.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-CP-5 Strictly control the nature and pattern of development on all promontories and headlands, and ensure that, if development is permitted, it is designed and landscaped to the highest standards. Landscaping will be of a type that is predominantly native to the area and sea-salt spray-resistant.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Objectives for coastal protection			
O-CP-1 Carry out the coastal zone management and protection works outlined below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strandhill effluent treatment works – coastal protection works • Enniscrone strand - protection of riverbank, pumping station and lifeguard building • Pullacheeny - coastal protection • Strandhill - dune management • Easkey - scenic drive protection 	Potential impacts on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay) and/or Ballysadare Bay SAC/SPA from works at Strandhill • Killala Bay/Moy Estuary SAC/SPA from works at Enniscrone Pollution of watercourses during construction	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-TOU-1, 2 & 4. P-CZT-1,3 & 4, O-CZT-1 & 4. P-RHOU-1, 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11. P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WW-1, 7, & 10, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3,8 & 10. P-CP-1 TO 5.
O-CP-2 Identify, prioritise and implement coastal protection works within the coastal zone that are considered necessary, subject to the availability of resources.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-CZT- 4, 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11. P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1, 4, 5, 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-CP-1 TO 5
O-CP-3 Monitor existing dune management schemes on an ongoing basis and effect appropriate repairs, improvements and extensions, subject to the availability of resources and compliance with the Habitats Directive	Carrying out repairs, improvements and extensions to existing dune management schemes may lead to disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss as well as a	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-CZT- 4, 3, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11.

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	decrease in species distribution and density		P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1, 4, 5, 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-CP-1 TO 5
O-CP-4 Examine existing beach bye-laws and make appropriate amendments, in the interest of protecting sand dunes from encroachment and damage.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-CP-5 Continue to employ soft engineering techniques (i.e. dune stabilisation and planting) where appropriate.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-CZT- 4, P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7 O-NH-11. P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1, 4, 5, 6 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-CP-1 TO 5
Air quality policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-AQ-1 Support the ban on bituminous coal in Sligo City and Environs and encourage the use of smokeless fuel throughout the County.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-AQ-2 Encourage a more energy-efficient approach to the design and servicing of buildings for residential, commercial, industrial and other uses, including public buildings.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-AQ-3 Facilitate and encourage an increase in the supply and use of public transport.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-AQ-4 Ensure, in conjunction with the EPA, that all existing and new developments are operated in a manner that does not contribute to deterioration in air quality.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-AQ-5 Ensure all new developments incorporate appropriate measures to minimise odour nuisance from the development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-AQ-6 Promote the retention of trees, hedgerows and other vegetation, and encourage tree planting as a means of air purification and filtering of suspended particles.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-AQ-7 Protect the air quality in the County and promote the preservation of best ambient air quality compatible with sustainable development.			
Noise control policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-NC-1 Seek to protect the amenity of dwellings, businesses, community facilities and other existing developments when assessing proposals for development that is likely to generate significant levels of noise.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NC-2 Ensure all new developments incorporate appropriate measures to minimise noise nuisance from the development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-NC-3 Ensure that restaurant, takeaway and bar developments incorporate appropriate measures to minimise the impact of noise from the development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Major Accidents Directive policy It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-MAD-1 Consult with the Health and Safety Authority when assessing proposals for a new Seveso establishment or modifications to an establishment, and when assessing proposals for development in the vicinity of existing Seveso establishments.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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Major Accidents Directive objective It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
O-MAD-1 Maintain appropriate distances between establishments covered by the Major Accidents Directive and residential areas, areas of public use and areas of particular natural sensitivity or interest.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Flood risk management policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
P-FRM-1 Protect and enhance the County's floodplains, wetlands and coastal areas subject to flooding as vital green infrastructure which provides space for storage and conveyance of floodwater, enabling flood risk to be more effectively managed and reducing the need to provide flood defences in the future	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-FRM-2 Establish a 20-metre-wide strip/buffer zone around lakes and along both sides of all rivers and a 50-metre-wide buffer zone from soft shorelines. Development proposals will be required to maintain these buffer zones free from development. Exceptions to this may be considered strategic roads projects, for river banks enhancement works, in the case of brownfield sites and in cases where the maintenance of the buffer zone is not practically achievable. In such cases a reduced buffer width may be accepted and any such cases will be assessed on an individual basis.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-FRM-3 Restrict development within 50 m of soft shoreline and require any development proposal in the coastal zone to consider the implications of predicted sea-level rise.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-FRM-4 Where new or upgraded flood/coastal defences are essential to protect existing development, subject all such proposals to appropriate assessments in accordance with the requirements of the Floods and Habitats Directives	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-FRM-5 Ensure that no removal of sand dunes, beach sand or gravel is undertaken	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-FRM-6 Implement the provisions of the DEHLG's <i>The Planning System and Flood Risk Management Guidelines for Planning Authorities</i>	Potential impacts on Natura 2000 network, depending on the type of flood defence systems constructed. May lead to loss/fragmentation of habitats, changes in water quality/quantity	Y	Policy P-FRM-4 will ensure that where new or upgraded flood/coastal defences are essential to protect existing development, all such proposals will be subject to appropriate assessments in accordance with the requirements of the Floods and Habitats Directives
P-FRM-7 Direct strategically significant growth, projects and infrastructure to areas with a low risk of flooding	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-FRM-8 Zone/designate land for development in areas with a high or moderate risk of flooding only where it can be clearly demonstrated, on a solid evidence base, that the zoning or designation will satisfy the justification test set out in chapter 4 of the <i>Planning System and Flood Risk Management Guidelines</i>	Potential impacts on Natura 2000 network, depending on where the land is zoned. May lead to loss/fragmentation of habitats, changes in water quality/quantity	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: SP-SD-10, ZP-3, SP-Z-6, P-NH-1, 4, 7, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29 & 30. O-NH-1 to 7, 11, 18, 19. O-WW-6 & 8. P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10. O-WQ-1, 3, 8, 10. P-

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<p>P-FRM-9 Restrict development in areas at risk of flooding unless: – it is demonstrated that there are wider sustainability grounds for appropriate development; – the flood risk can be managed to an acceptable level without increasing flood risk elsewhere; – the overall flood risk is reduced, where possible. Developments considered necessary in order to meet the objectives of this Plan, or required on wider sustainability grounds, will be subject to the development management justification test outlined in chapter 5 of the <i>Planning System and Flood Risk Management Guidelines</i>. Measures such as flood compensation storage works or new hard-engineered flood defences alone will not be acceptable as justification for development in flood risk areas. Such measures will only be considered as part of a proposal if the development is warranted by the justification test on planning and sustainability grounds in the first instance, and where no alternative site is available.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	CP-2 to 5.
<p>P-FRM-10 Require development proposals, where appropriate, to be accompanied by a detailed flood risk assessment in accordance with the provisions of the DEHLG's <i>The Planning System and Flood Risk Management, Guidelines for Planning Authorities</i> and to address flood risk management in the detailed design of development, as set out in Appendix B of the Guidelines.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>P-FRM-11 Require new developments and extensions to existing developments, where relevant, to use Sustainable Drainage Systems (SDS) in order to minimise the extent of hard surfacing and paving.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>P-FRM-12 Assess flood risk in Local Area Plans in accordance with the Flood Risk Management Guidelines (OPW and DoEHLG 2009) in a manner that is appropriate to the scale and circumstances of each area and having regard to the priorities set out in the SFRA that accompanies this Plan.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>Flood risk management objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>O-FRM-1 Cooperate with the Office of Public Works in developing catchment-based Flood Risk Management Plans (CFRAMs) and incorporate relevant CFRAM recommendations into the Development Plan.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	Individual FRAMS Plans will themselves be subject to screening for compliance with the Habitats Directive
<p>O-FRM-2 Work with the OPW to establish of catchment-based Flood Planning Groups involving all key actors and groups representing agriculture, forestry, water management and land management.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>O-FRM-3 Complete future SFRAs/FRAs in accordance with the prioritisation set out in the SFRA, subject to review and the availability of additional data during the lifetime of this Plan.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	Individual SFRAs/FRAs will themselves be subject to screening for compliance with the Habitats Directive
<p>O-FRM-4 Undertake Stage II Flood Risk Assessments when reviewing local area plans, in accordance with the OPW/DoEHLG's Flood Risk Management Guidelines.</p>	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
<p>Strategic energy policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:</p>			
<p>SP-EN-1 Support the sustainable infrastructural development of energy generation and transmission networks, to</p>	Potential impacts from disturbance of	Y	The following

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ensure the security of energy supply and provide for future needs, subject to compliance with the requirements of the Habitats Directive.	species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.		objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, 19,20 & 24. O-NH-11, 18 19 . P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-CP 2 to 5
SP-EN-2 Promote energy conservation and efficiency measures and facilitate innovative building design that promotes energy efficiency in accordance with national policy and guidelines.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SP-EN-3 Encourage the development of sustainable, energy-efficient buildings throughout the plan area.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Strategic energy objectives It is an objective of Sligo County Council to:			
SO-EN-1 Preserve significant landscape views from the visual intrusion of large-scale energy infrastructure.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
SO-EN-2 Seek the extension of the natural gas supply infrastructure to Sligo.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, 19,20 & 24. O-NH-11, 18 19 . P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-CP2 to 5.
SO-EN-3 Implement Government policy on limiting emissions of greenhouse gasses and encouraging the development of renewable energy sources in an appropriate and sustainable manner.	Construction and operation of renewable energy infrastructure such as wind turbines may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss and pollution of watercourses during construction, depending on where facilities are located.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, 19,20 & 24. O-NH-11, 18 19 . P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-REN-2. P-CP2 to 5.
Policies for the provision of electricity			
P-EL-1 Facilitate the provision of new high-voltage electricity infrastructure in County Sligo.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, 19,20 & 24. O-NH-11, 18 19 . P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-CP2 to 5. P-REN-2
P-EL-1 Support the maintenance and upgrading of electricity infrastructure throughout the County.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided:

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	during construction.		P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, 19,20 & 24. O-NH-11, 18 19 . P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-REN-2. P-CP2 to 5.
Renewable energy policies			
P-REN-1 Support and promote a move away from fossil-fuel energy production through investment in renewable energy.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, 19,20 & 24. O-NH-11, 18 19 . P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-REN-2 P-CP2 to 5.
P-REN-2 Encourage and facilitate the sustainable production of energy from renewable sources, energy conversion and capture in forms such as wind power, hydro-power, wave-generated energy, biomass, solar technology and energy-efficient building design/servicing. All such development proposals will be assessed for their potential impact on Natura 2000 sites their compliance with the Habitats Directive, potential impact on designated Sensitive Rural Landscapes, Visually Vulnerable Areas, Scenic Routes and scenic views, as well as in accordance with strict location, siting and design criteria.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	Policy amended as per text in red
P-REN-3 Support existing and new enterprises who wish to use renewable energy to serve their own needs by on-site energy production, subject to normal planning criteria.			Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction. The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, 19,20 & 24. O-NH-11, 18 19 . P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-REN-2 P-CP2 to 5.
Renewable energy objectives			
O-REN-1 Identify and map, during the lifetime of this Plan (subject to resources), areas within the county where there is significant wind energy potential and where energy development would be acceptable in principle, subject to visual, landscape, heritage, environmental and amenity considerations.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-REN-2 Facilitate small-scale renewable energy developments within urban areas, where appropriate, and support small community-based generation projects in rural areas, subject to visual, landscape, heritage, environmental and amenity considerations.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-REN-3 Implement the provisions of the integrated Regional Energy Strategy that will be prepared by the Border Regional Authority in accordance with the (Draft) Regional Planning Guidelines 2010.	Implementation of this strategy may lead to the development and construction of infrastructure such as	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided:

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	electricity transmission lines. Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss during construction phase.		P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, 19,20 & 24. O-NH-11, 18 19 . P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-REN-2 P-CP2 to 5.
Telecommunications policies			
P-TEL-1 Protect areas of significant landscape importance from the visual intrusion of large-scale telecommunications infrastructure.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-TEL-2 Ensure that telecommunications infrastructure is adequately screened, integrated and/or landscaped, so as to minimise any adverse visual impacts on the environment	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
P-TEL-3 Facilitate open access to high-speed and high-capacity broadband digital networks to support the development of a smart economy within the County	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
Telecommunications objectives			
O-TEL-1 Support a programme of broadband connectivity throughout the County by liaising with telecommunication service providers.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss during construction phase.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, 19,20 & 24. O-NH-11, 18 19 . P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-CP2 to 5.
O-TEL-2 Support the National Broadband Scheme in its bid for funding for development of broadband in the county	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss during construction phase.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, 19,20 & 24. O-NH-11, 18 19 . P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-CP2 to 5.
O-TEL-3 Support and facilitate take-up of the Group Broadband Scheme and the School Broadband Access Programme.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-TEL-4 Support, by planning condition where appropriate, the development of underground broadband infrastructure for road, commercial and residential schemes, as set out in the government's recommendations.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss during construction phase.	Y	The following objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, 19,20 & 24. O-NH-11, 18 19 . P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-CP2 to 5.
O-TEL-5 Have regard to Government guidelines on telecommunications infrastructure, including <i>Telecommunications Antennae and Support Structures – Guidelines for Planning Authorities 1996</i> (DoEHLG) and any subsequent revisions.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
O-TEL-6 Implement the provisions of the Draft Border Regional Planning Guidelines 2010 by:	Potential impacts from disturbance of	Y	The following

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. supporting the repair and upgrading of the existing telephone network including the provision of improved broadband enabled individual line services to all subscribers (INFO12) b. promoting the provision of open access ducting in all new developments (INFO13) c. supporting the network-enabling of all new residential development and the provision of open access co-located communication service connection and access facilities (INFO14) d. providing open access ducting in all public infrastructural projects (INFO15) e. supporting the extension of access to the MANs to small business and residential users through lower connection and use costs (INFO17) 	<p>species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss during construction phase.</p>		<p>objectives/policies will ensure that impacts are avoided: P-NH-1 & 4, O-NH-1 to 7, P-NH-7, 19,20 & 24. O-NH-11, 18 19 . P-NH- 28, 29 & 30, P-WQ-1 to 7 & 10, O-WQ-1,3 & 8. P-CP2 to 5.</p>

Table 2: Mini-Plan General Policies

Policy	Potential Impact	Risk of Significant Impact (y/n)	Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Policy Deletion OR Amendment
General Mini-Plan Policies It is the policy of Sligo County Council to:			
13.1 Landscape, natural heritage, open space policies			
A. Protect and enhance all river banks as wildlife corridors. In order to assist in this regard, the planning authority will establish a 20-metre wide river buffer zone along both sides of all rivers.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
B. Require development proposals to maintain the river buffer zone free from development (apart from river bank enhancement works). Exceptions may also be considered in the case of brownfield sites and in cases where the maintenance of the zone is not practically achievable. In such cases, a reduced buffer width may be accepted. Any such cases will be assessed on an individual basis.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
C. Ensure that river bank enhancement works and any other development along rivers are undertaken only after consultation with the North Western Regional Fisheries Board and the National Parks and Wildlife Service of the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
D. Maintain important biodiversity habitats and features through protection from development or integration into new developments as necessary. Although not exclusive, the following are considered to be important biodiversity habitats: mature trees, groups of trees, woodlands, hedgerows.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
E. In accordance with the policies outlined in section 7.1 of this Plan, protect and maintain the conservation value of all natural heritage sites designated or proposed for designation in accordance with European and national legislation and in other relevant international conventions, agreements and processes. This includes sites designated or proposed as Special Areas of Conservation (SACs), Special Protection Areas (SPAs), Natural Heritage Areas (NHAs), Ramsar sites and Statutory Nature Reserves.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
13.2 Built heritage, streetscape and building design policies			
A. New development should seek to create coherent and attractive streetscape, reflecting and respecting the prevailing architectural style and detailing of the adjacent buildings.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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B. New development should respect and complement the form and scale of the existing village structure and should innovate by reinterpretation. The incorporation of design elements that reflect those traditional to the village streetscape will be encouraged in new development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
C. Encourage the redevelopment of vacant and derelict structures/sites within the village.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
D. Some objectives maps identify key sites or structures that have potential or already contribute to the village character by closing a view or containing a space. These sites and buildings should be developed, redeveloped or renovated with particular care having regard to their location, so that they enhance the streetscape and act as focal points or landmarks.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
E. Where possible, new development should use existing redundant buildings that contribute significantly to the village character. Wherever possible, stonewalled buildings should be protected and renovated for new use.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
F. Where feasible, stone walls should be preserved, enhanced and extended, in a manner that is in-keeping with traditional stone-walling in the vicinity. Other important non-structural elements of the built heritage should also be protected.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
G. The design of shop fronts, advertisements and signs should match the overall form and structure of the buildings to which they pertain.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
H. The size, design, colour, material and illumination of signs should be subdued. Signs should generally be positioned well below the first-floor window level. Hanging signs should be restricted to one per shop or business and their size should be proportional to the building.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
I. External illumination of buildings and signs is acceptable only by use of appropriate spotlighting of key buildings of particular architectural interest. Internal illumination of signs will not be permitted.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
J. Overhead lines and cables should be placed underground, where possible.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
K. Public lighting should be maintained and improved where possible.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
13.3 Transport, circulation and parking policies			
A. Within villages the Council shall strive to achieve the upgrading of roads, footpaths, entrances, car-parking and junctions wherever possible, along with the development of traffic-calming measures where appropriate and the extended provision of pavement appropriate for wheelchair users.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss. Pollution of watercourses during construction.	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying

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			interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
B. Require new development to provide sufficient on-site parking, which should be designed and landscaped to a high standard. Off-street parking associated with road/street frontage development should be located at the rear of the structures.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
C. Provide pedestrian and cycling linkages within and between existing and new housing/mixed-use/sports and recreational development throughout the area. Note: The routes of the proposed linkages, as indicated on the objectives maps for each settlement, are indicative only. The precise route of any such linkage shall be agreed with developers/applicants during the planning application process and shall be included as an integral part of new developments.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
D. Retain access to important natural and archaeological features.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
E. Endeavour to prepare a traffic management plan for each village. This plan shall examine all existing problems relating to traffic, parking, mobility and pedestrian movements and will identify appropriate solutions for the locality. Prospective developments shall incorporate the provisions of any such plan when prepared.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
F. Require the provision of secure cycle parking facilities within new developments where appropriate.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
G. Any proposal for the provision of pedestrian/cycle links along riverside areas shall be screened for the requirement of an appropriate assessment in compliance with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments), and in accordance with the policies outlined in Section 7.1 of this Plan.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
13.4. Village-centre-type mixed zones policies			
A. Facilitate a blend of mainly residential and commercial/retail activities in the areas zoned for mixed uses.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
B. Require high standards of design and landscaping for new development, integrating with old and new streetscape.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
C. Give special attention to the siting, layout and design of new or redeveloped buildings around junctions. Such development should ensure that a suitable façade is presented when viewed from surrounding vantage points, whilst also ensuring that appropriate building setbacks are incorporated in order to facilitate improved traffic and pedestrian circulation.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
D. Enhance existing civic space and, where feasible, provide additional small civic squares or street pockets with appropriate furniture, planting, landscaping and public lighting.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
E. Provide pedestrian-only spaces within the mixed-use zones, with particular attention to the needs of wheelchair users.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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F. Facilitate proposals for the appropriate re-use of existing vacant properties.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
G. Maintain an appropriate balance of development between the traditional village centre and new areas zoned for village centre type uses. The development of new village centre areas should not adversely impact on the traditional village core to the extent that it would undermine its quality or the role the traditional village centre plays in the economic and social life of the local community.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
13.5 Community facilities policies			
A. Maintain and enhance existing, and provide additional, sports, recreational and playground facilities where feasible.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss, Pollution of watercourses during construction, depending on where development is sited	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
B. Encourage the provision of crèche/childcare, healthcare and elderly care facilities within the development limits of villages, on sites that are easily accessible for all sections of the community.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss, Pollution of watercourses during construction, depending on where development is sited	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
C. Encourage the provision of additional recycling facilities on lands zoned for community uses. Such facilities will also be considered at other appropriate locations.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss, Pollution of watercourses during construction, depending on where development is sited	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
D. Adopt a flexible and supportive approach towards the accommodation of community facilities within a wide variety of land-use zoning categories, in particular lands zoned for community facilities, village-centre-type mixed uses, residential development and commercial/enterprise uses.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss, Pollution of watercourses during construction, depending on where development is sited	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU

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			Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
E. Promote cultural development that acknowledges and builds upon local character and distinctiveness through the natural, built and community environment.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
F. Develop area-based cultural objectives for inclusion in mini-plans.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
G. Facilitate the development of allotments in the buffer zone and at other suitable locations. Any such facility should be located within or close to existing settlements and should be easily accessible.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss, Pollution of watercourses during construction, depending on where development is sited	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
13.6 Residential development policies			
A. Residential development should generally take place incrementally, from the core towards the edges, in a manner capable of consolidating the existing village and at a pace consistent with its infrastructural capacity (in terms of physical and community infrastructure) to accommodate further development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
B. Promote residential development such as terraced townhouses and, where appropriate, apartments with communal parking and service areas.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
C. New residential schemes should incorporate a variety of house types and sizes, to offer choice and cater for a mix of households of different sizes.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
D. Encourage the development of backlands through land assembly, using shared-access arrangements and creating pedestrian and cycling linkages with existing developments.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
E. Preserve and enhance public or incidental open space within existing housing estates and provide high-quality, suitably located and well-landscaped open space in every new residential development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
F. Design the open space associated with new development to connect, or integrate, with adjoining natural features such as woodland, mature trees, groups of trees, hedgerows etc.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
G. Encourage the provision of additional residential units on lands where current densities are very low, subject to appropriate scale and the protection of existing residential amenities.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss, Pollution of watercourses	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the

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	during construction, depending on where development is sited		mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
H. Develop new residential schemes at a density that is appropriate to the scale of each settlement and the location of the site within that settlement. On this matter, regard will be had to the DoEHLG publication Guidelines for Planning Authorities on Sustainable Residential Development in Urban Areas (Cities, Towns and Villages), 2009.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
I. Encourage, where appropriate, the use of vacant residential properties for social and affordable housing. Where appropriate, community and/or commercial uses may also be accommodated in vacant residential properties. Any such proposal shall be of an appropriate scale/design, and shall be restricted to uses that are compatible with surrounding properties.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
J. Residential development will be permitted at a rate that is consistent with the Core Strategy and the Settlement Structure and also the capacity of infrastructure in each settlement. The number of existing and permitted residential units will be monitored to ensure that the potential population of each settlement is consistent with both the Settlement Structure and the infrastructural capacity.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
13.7 Business, enterprise and industrial development policies			
A. New business, enterprise or industrial units shall have shared access arrangements, where possible.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
B. Screen and landscape new business, enterprise and industrial development to a high standard, and give special attention to the design of structures located in highly visible positions or fronting main roads.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
C. If industries requiring large volumes of water wish to locate in any particular settlement, they should seek to use a private water source and provide the necessary wastewater treatment facilities, in the event that the public services do not have the required capacity to deal with the extra loading (see also section 13.9 below).	Abstraction of water may cause impacts to surface/groundwater dependant habitats, leading to habitat loss and or fragmentation and loss of species diversity/ distribution	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
D. Adopt a flexible and supportive approach towards the accommodation of small-scale business and enterprise proposals on lands zoned for residential, village-centre and community uses.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss, Pollution of watercourses	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the

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Proposals that would be compatible with existing and proposed development in the surrounding area will be encouraged subject to appropriate scale, design and servicing.	during construction, depending on where development is sited		mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
13.8 Buffer zone policies			
<p>A. Establish a buffer zone around settlements, between the plan limit and the development limit, with a view to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • consolidating and containing settlements within a single development limit; • safeguarding land for the future expansion of settlements and for the provision of infrastructure; • preserving views; • protecting the integrity of archaeological sites and monuments in the area surrounding the village; • protecting and enhancing designated nature conservation sites (pNHAs, SACs, SPAs etc). • excluding from development those lands which are at risk from flooding 	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
B. Reserve the buffer zone principally for agricultural use.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
C. Site and construct new roads and buildings in the buffer zone so as to minimize their visual and environmental impact.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss, Pollution of watercourses during construction, depending on where development is sited	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
E. Within the Buffer Zone, proposals for one-off rural housing shall only be accommodated in cases of proven need of immediate family members of locally-resident families who wish to build on their own land and have no suitable option on their holdings outside the buffer zone.	Potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats, habitat loss, Pollution of watercourses during construction, depending on where development is sited	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
F. In relation to housing, give preference to the sensitive	No negative impacts anticipated from	N	

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renovation or replacement of existing vacant or derelict structures.	implementation of objective/policy		
13.9 Water quality, water supply, surface water and wastewater treatment policies			
A. The County Council will endeavour to ensure the protection of, and where necessary, the improvement of water quality within the mini-plan areas.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
B. Strive to provide each area with an adequate and reliable water supply and a network from which to accommodate an increase in domestic, commercial and industrial growth.	Abstraction of water may cause impacts to surface/groundwater dependant habitats, leading to habitat loss and or fragmentation and loss of species diversity/ distribution	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
C. Ensure that all proposed developments can demonstrate the availability of a water supply of sufficient quantity and quality to serve the needs of the proposed development.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
D. Strive to provide settlements with public wastewater treatment facilities in accordance with details outlined in Chapter 9 (refer to Volume 1, the main CDP document).	Abstraction of water may cause impacts to surface/groundwater dependant habitats, leading to habitat loss and or fragmentation and loss of species diversity/ distribution	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
E. Development proposing to connect to the public wastewater treatment system will not be permitted unless the planning authority is satisfied that adequate capacity is available. Exceptions to this policy will be considered in cases where works on upgrading the wastewater facilities have commenced and would be completed within a reasonable timeframe. In such cases, appropriate conditions will be applied to planning permissions to ensure that the proposed development and the upgrading works are suitably phased.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
G. In cases where capacity exists, all proposed developments will be required to connect to the public wastewater treatment plant and the public water supply.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
H. In cases where a settlement is not served by a public wastewater treatment plant, or where no spare capacity exists in an	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

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existing wastewater treatment plant, individual developments proposing to use on-site wastewater treatment will be considered subject to appropriate scale, assessment, design and conditions. Any such permitted development shall be subject to legally binding maintenance and bonding arrangements agreed with the planning authority and shall be required to connect to the public wastewater treatment plant when/if adequate capacity becomes available. However, communal on-site wastewater treatment systems (i.e. systems servicing more than 1 residential unit / commercial premises etc) shall not be permitted in any case.			
I. A buffer zone shall apply in the vicinity of the existing and proposed WWTP sites. Development within this zone may be restricted or prohibited in the interests of public health and/or the protection of residential amenities. The extent of development restrictions in each individual case will be assessed at planning application stage.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
J. Maintain and upgrade, wherever possible, the surface water network within the village.	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	
13.10 Flood Risk Management			
A. The County Council will implement the recommendations and provisions of The Planning System and Flood Risk Management, Guidelines for Planning Authorities (DEHLG &OPW, November 2009). Where appropriate, and notwithstanding any particular zoning objective that may apply to the relevant lands, development proposals will be assessed in accordance with the provisions of the Guidelines, as well as those of section 10.6.2 of this Plan (see Volume 1).	No negative impacts anticipated from implementation of objective/policy	N	

Table 3: Mini Plans

MiniPlan	Natura 2000 that may be affected	Potential Impact	Risk of Significant Impact (y/n)	Specific Action Required: Avoidance/Policy Deletion OR Amendment
Aclare	002298 River Moy	Aclare is situated on the River Talt, part of the River Moy SAC. Water quality is Q5 (High Status). Any development occurring through implementation of the Aclare Mini Plan may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss as well as changes in water quality through runoff of pollution. The plan contains an objective to <i>Support the improvement of access to the River Talt by providing riverside walkways (as indicated on objectives map) and by requiring the provision of walkways in conjunction with the development of any adjoining lands.</i> This may lead to direct impacts on the SAC including habitat loss and recreational disturbance of protected species such as otter and bats.	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
Ballinacarrow	001898 Unshin River 000622 Ballysadare Bay	Objective included in plan to <i>Provide a new wastewater treatment plant with a design capacity of 1,000 PE (population equivalent).</i> Ballinacarrow is adjacent to the Owenmore river, which joins the Unshin River. The Unshin River flows into Ballysadare Bay. Water status downstream from the village is good (Q4). Discharging even treated water to a water course may cause a deterioration in water quality and a decrease in invertebrate and fish species diversity where the assimilative capacity of a river/stream is low. Potential cumulative impacts on Ballysadare Bay through discharge of wastewater from multiple WWTPs.	Y	Measures included in Plan to ensure no additional multi-unit housing developments shall be permitted in the village until the upgraded wastewater treatment facilities are connected and operational. Objective also included in plan to establish a river buffer zone.
Ballinacarrow	001673 Lough Arrow 004050 Lough Arrow SPA	Ballinacarrow is located adjacent to the Lough Arrow SAC/SPA. Any development occurring through implementation of the Mini Plan may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss as well as changes in water quality through runoff of pollution. The water supply for Ballinacarrow is currently sourced from Lough Arrow via the privately operated Corrick / Ballinacarrow GWS. The wastewater treatment plant is still operating at capacity, even after the completion of a temporary upgrade. It is proposed to provide a new wastewater treatment plant with capacity of 350 PE. Discharging even treated water to a watercourse may cause a deterioration in water quality and a decrease in invertebrate and fish species diversity where the assimilative capacity of a river/stream is low. Objectives within the plan that could lead to a significant impact on Lough Arrow include the following: <i>Support the improvement of access to Lough Arrow by encouraging the provision of pedestrian walkways (as indicated on objectives map) and by requiring the</i>	Y	Impacts on water abstraction have been assessed through screening the CDP water Supply Policies and Objectives Objective included in Plan to ensure no additional multi-unit housing developments shall be permitted in the village until the upgraded wastewater treatment facilities are connected and operational A policy is included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows 13.3 G. Any proposal for the provision of pedestrian/cycle links along riverside areas shall be screened for the requirement of an appropriate assessment in compliance with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments), and in accordance with the policies outlined in Section 7.1 of this Plan. An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-

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		<i>provision of such facilities in conjunction with the development of adjoining lands.</i> This may lead to direct impacts on the SAC/SPA from increased recreational pressure, habitat loss and/or fragmentation and pollution during construction.		Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
Ballinacar	000627 Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay) 004035 Cummeen Strand SPA	Ballinacar is located adjacent to the Cummeen Strand SAC/SPA. Any development occurring through implementation of the Mini Plan may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss as well as changes in water quality through runoff of pollution. Objective in the plan to <i>Support the improvement of access to the sea shore by encouraging the provision of walkways and open space (as indicated on objectives map).</i> Objective in the plan to <i>Encourage the creation of a walkway/cycleway circuit around the village through the provision of pedestrian links between the village, Teesan stream and the sea shore (as indicated on the Objectives Map) and require the provision of such links in conjunction with the development of adjoining lands.</i> These objectives could lead to recreational pressure on the SAC/SPA. Other objectives within the plan that could lead to recreational pressure include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Facilitate the further development and enhancement of the Radisson Hotel.</i> • <i>Promote and encourage additional tourism and recreation-related local enterprise initiatives.</i> • <i>Residential development in the vicinity of the coastline will be required to incorporate pedestrian links to the coast as indicated on the objectives map.</i> Development of WW pumping station will have to be subject to AA prior to grant of permission	Y	A policy is included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows 13.3 G. Any proposal for the provision of pedestrian/cycle links along riverside areas shall be screened for the requirement of an appropriate assessment in compliance with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments), and in accordance with the policies outlined in Section 7.1 of this Plan. An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
Ballintogher	001976 Lough Gill	It is proposed to provide a new wastewater treatment plant with capacity of 500 PE. Discharging even treated water to a watercourse may cause a deterioration in water quality and a decrease in invertebrate and fish species diversity where the assimilative capacity of a river/stream is low.	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations

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				1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands. Measures included in Plan to ensure no additional multi-unit housing developments shall be permitted in the village until the upgraded wastewater treatment facilities are connected and operational
Ballygawley	001898 Unshin River	The Unshin River is High status quality (Q-value 4-5) both upstream and downstream of Ballygawley. At present all existing developments are served by individual/communal on-site treatment systems, as there is no public wastewater treatment plant to serve the village. A site has been identified for the provision of a public wastewater treatment system with a design capacity of 750 PE (population equivalent). Discharging even treated water to a water course may cause a deterioration in water quality and a decrease in invertebrate and fish species diversity where the assimilative capacity of a river/stream is low.		An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
Ballysadare	000622 Ballysadare Bay 001898 Unshin River 004129 Ballysadare Bay SPA	Ballysadare is adjacent to both the Ballysadare Bay and Unshin River SACs. Any development occurring through implementation of the Mini Plan may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss as well as changes in water quality through runoff of pollution. Ballysadare River is High status quality (Q-value 4-5). Ballysadare Bay is classified as unpolluted. The wastewater treatment plant has been upgraded to provide for a 4,500 PE (population equivalent) and has spare capacity. The WWTP in Ballysadare has been subject to AA screening as part of its WW discharge licence application. The screening found no significant impacts from the WWTP. Objective included in the plan to <i>protect and enhance the riverbanks, both north and south of the bridge, and the floodplain meadow located to the south-east of the village, and preserve these areas as a wildlife corridor / river buffer zone.</i> Provision of pedestrian and cycling linkages along the river may impact on the Unshin River SAC The water supply for Ballysadare is sourced from Lough Gill. Potential cumulative impact on Lough Gill from abstraction	Y	Impacts on water abstraction have been assessed through screening the CDP water Supply Policies and Objectives A policy is included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows 13.3 G. Any proposal for the provision of pedestrian/cycle links along riverside areas shall be screened for the requirement of an appropriate assessment in compliance with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments), and in accordance with the policies outlined in Section 7.1 of this Plan. An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant

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				impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
Banada	002298 River Moy	<p>Banada is located adjacent to the River Moy SAC. Any development occurring through implementation of the Mini Plan may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss as well as changes in water quality through runoff of pollution.</p> <p>Water quality of River Moy at Banada is Q4 – Good status</p> <p>Objectives included in the plan to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Support improved access to the River Moy by providing riverside walkways with links to adjoining woodlands (as indicated on the Objectives Map) and by requiring the provision of such walkways in conjunction with the development of any adjoining lands.</i> • <i>Encourage the provision of pedestrian bridge over the River Moy in order to facilitate the development of a loop route along the river banks</i> <p>These objectives may lead to habitat loss and recreational disturbance of protected species such as otters and bats.</p> <p>Zoning map shows part of the SAC zoned for residential uses and community facilities. This may lead to direct impacts on the SAC such as habitat loss and fragmentation, and disturbance to key species.</p>	Y	<p>An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows:</p> <p>13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.</p>
Bunnaadden	000636 Templehouse And Cloonacleigha Loughs	<p>Objective included in the plan to upgrade the existing wastewater treatment plant to a capacity of 350 PE (population equivalent). Potential impact through discharge of wastewater, depending on where the discharge point is.</p> <p>River adjacent to town discharges to Cloonacleigha Lough – Q value 3 = Poor quality.</p>	Y	Measures included in Plan to ensure no additional multi-unit housing developments shall be permitted in the village until the upgraded wastewater treatment facilities are connected and operational
Carney	000627 Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay)	<p>WWTP has capacity of 2,500 PE – Plan allows for development connecting to the WWTP up to this limit. The application for this licence is currently being processed by the EPA. As part of the licensing process, NPWS were consulted with to determine whether or not AA is required.</p> <p>Potential cumulative impacts on Drumcliff Bay through discharge of wastewater</p> <p>Zoning map shows part of the SAC zoned for village centre uses and community facilities. This may lead to direct impacts on the SAC such as habitat loss and fragmentation, and disturbance to key species.</p>	Y	<p>The WWTP at Carney is subject to a separate impact assessment and licensing procedure by the EPA</p> <p>An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows:</p> <p>13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site,</p>

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Castlebaldwin	001673 Lough Arrow 001898 Unshin River 004050 Lough Arrow SPA	Objective in plan to reserve land for the provision of a new wastewater treatment facility to replace/upgrade existing facilities. Potential impact through discharge of wastewater, depending on where wastewater is discharged to.	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands. Measures included in Plan to ensure no additional multi-unit housing developments shall be permitted in the village until the upgraded wastewater treatment facilities are connected and operational.
Cliffony	000625 Bunduff Lough And Machair/Trawalua/Mullaghmore.	Objective in plan to upgrade the existing wastewater treatment plant to a capacity of 1,750 PE (population equivalent). Potential impact through discharge of wastewater, depending on where wastewater is discharged to.	Y	This WWTP will be subject to a discharge licence from the EPA. The application for this licence is currently being processed by the EPA. As part of the licensing process, NPWS were consulted with to determine whether or not AA is required. Measures included in Plan to ensure no additional multi-unit housing developments shall be permitted in the village until the upgraded wastewater treatment facilities are connected and operational.
Cloonacool	002298 River Moy	Cloonacool is located adjacent to the River Moy SAC. Zoning map shows an overlap between zoned land and the SAC boundary. This may lead to direct impacts on the SAC such as habitat loss and fragmentation, and disturbance to key species. Objective in the plan to <i>support the improvement of access to the Mad River and River Moy through the provision of riverside walkways at the locations indicated on the Objectives Map, and by requiring the provision of such facilities in conjunction with the development of adjoining lands.</i> Potential impacts may arise from development of the Mad River and River Moy for amenity purposes Sufficient wastewater capacity is in place to accommodate development in accordance with settlement strategy.	Y	A policy is included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows 13.3 G. Any proposal for the provision of pedestrian/cycle links along riverside areas shall be screened for the requirement of an appropriate assessment in compliance with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments), and in accordance with the policies outlined in Section 7.1 of this Plan. An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as

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Collooney	001898 Unshin River	<p>Collooney is adjacent to the Owenmore River, part of Unshin River cSAC. Any development occurring through implementation of the Mini Plan may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss as well as changes in water quality through runoff of pollution.</p> <p>Policy included in the plan to 'Encourage the provision of landscaped river walks through the village, on both sides of the Owenmore River. The provision of such facilities will be required in conjunction with the development of adjoining lands'. This objective may lead to habitat loss and recreational disturbance of protected species such as otters and bats.</p> <p>Policy included in the plan to reserve land for the expansion of the existing treatment plant, in order to increase capacity to 5,000 PE. At the same location, reserve land for a sludge management station, in accordance with the Sludge Management Plan for County Sligo.</p> <p>The existing WWTP discharges to the Unshin River. This discharge has been subject to screening for AA and was found to have no significant impact on the SAC. Expansion of the existing plant may lead to impacts through increased discharge of wastewater.</p>	Y	<p>Measures included in Plan to <i>ensure no additional development shall be allowed to connect to the existing WWTP until upgrading works are completed. Upon completion of the upgrading works, allow for development connecting to the WWTP up to a limit of 5,000 PE.</i></p> <p>A policy is included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows</p> <p>13.3 G. Any proposal for the provision of pedestrian/cycle links along riverside areas shall be screened for the requirement of an appropriate assessment in compliance with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments), and in accordance with the policies outlined in Section 7.1 of this Plan.</p> <p>An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows:</p> <p>13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.</p>
Coolaney	001898 Unshin River	<p>Coolaney is situated on the Owenbeg River, part of the Unshin River SAC. Any development occurring through implementation of the Mini Plan may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss as well as changes in water quality through runoff of pollution.</p> <p>Water quality at Coolaney is Q4 Good Status. The existing WWTP discharges to the Owenbeg River. As part of the discharge licensing application to the EPA, the assimilative capacity of the Owenbeg has found to be high and significant effects on the receiving waters were</p>	Y	<p>A policy is included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows</p> <p>13.3 G. Any proposal for the provision of pedestrian/cycle links along riverside areas shall be screened for the requirement of an appropriate assessment in compliance with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments), and in accordance with the policies outlined in Section 7.1 of this Plan.</p>

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		<p>not likely. As part of the licensing process, NPWS were consulted with to determine whether or not AA is required.</p> <p>Objectives included in plan to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retain the existing river walkway as a public amenity and provide improved/extended access to the river, pedestrian walkways along its course (e.g. from Coolaney to Rockfield) and pedestrian connections to the village's Main Street. Support the provision of a picnic and fishing area along the river, at the north-eastern edge of the village <p>These objectives may lead to habitat loss and recreational disturbance of protected species such as otter and bats</p> <p>Zoning map shows part of the SAC zoned for village centre uses and community facilities. Zoning map doesn't take into account buffer zone along river. This may lead to direct impacts on the SAC such as habitat loss and fragmentation, and disturbance to key species.</p>		<p>An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows:</p> <p>13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.</p>
Culfadda	001898 Unshin River 000622 Ballysadare Bay	<p>Culfadda is adjacent to the Owenmore river, which joins the Unshin River. The Unshin River flows into Ballysadare Bay. Objective included in plan to establish a river buffer zone.</p> <p>Sufficient WWT capacity. However, potential cumulative impacts on Ballysadare Bay through discharge of wastewater from multiple WWTPs.</p>	Y	<p>Measures included in Plan to ensure no additional multi-unit housing developments shall be permitted in the village until the upgraded wastewater treatment facilities are connected and operational</p>
Curry	River Moy (002298)	<p>Curry is located adjacent to the River Moy SAC. Any development occurring through implementation of the Mini Plan may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss as well as changes in water quality through runoff of pollution.</p> <p>Objective included in plan to <i>Support the improvement of access to the Owengarve River by encouraging the provision of riverside walkways at the location indicated on the Objectives Map and by requiring the provision of such links in conjunction with the development of adjoining lands.</i> This may lead to potential impacts from development of the Owengarve River (Part of the River Moy SAC) for amenity purposes.</p> <p>Realignment of the N17 to the east of the village would require a new crossing of the Owengarve River, which may have significant negative impacts on the SAC through habitats loss and fragmentation, disturbance of species such as otters and bats.</p> <p>Objective in plan <i>Require the realignment of the junction at Howley's Pub/Shop, in conjunction with development of adjoining lands, to providing a clear road layout through a combination of road markings, signage and hard landscaping (marked J2 on the Objectives Map).</i></p> <p>This realignment may also impact negatively on the Owengarve river. Sufficient wastewater capacity is in place to accommodate development in accordance with settlement strategy.</p>	Y	<p>An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows:</p> <p>13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.</p>

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Dromore West	N/A	No adverse impacts predicted from implementation of the Plan	N	N/A
Drumcliff	000627 Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay)	Plan allows for development connecting to the wastewater treatment plant up to a limit of 150 PE (population equivalent). Potential cumulative impacts on Drumcliff Bay from multiple WW discharges.	Y	The following objectives/policies are included in the Sligo CDP will ensure that impacts from wastewater discharge are avoided SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8 & 10
Easkey	N/A	No adverse impacts predicted from implementation of the Plan	N	N/A
Geevagh		Located between the Feorish River (to the south west) and the Camoge River (to the northeast), Geevagh is surrounded by undeveloped countryside and upland areas to the north and east. According to EPA mapping, the water quality of the Feorish River is Q4-5 (High Status) The water supply for Geevagh is currently sourced from Lough Arrow via the privately operated Geevagh / Highwood GWS. There were no capacity issues at the time of writing (March 2010). The wastewater treatment plant, recently refurbished, has a design capacity of 250 PE, but limited capacity available. Potential impacts through discharge of wastewater should this capacity be exceeded.		Impacts on water abstraction have been assessed through screening the CDP water Supply Policies and Objectives The following objectives/policies are included in the Sligo CDP will ensure that impacts from wastewater discharge are avoided SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8 & 10
Gorteen	Templehouse and Cloonacleigha Lough SAC	The WWTP at Gorteen is subject to a discharge licence from the EPA. The application for this licence examined the potential impacts on the SCA, which is 20km downstream from the primary discharge point. No adverse impacts were predicted	N	N/A
Grange	001680 Streedagh Point Dunes	It is proposed to provide a new wastewater treatment plant to serve Grange. Emissions from the existing WwTW are to the Grange River. The most recent Q value given to this River downstream of the treatment works was 4. Approximately 1km downstream of the discharge point the river flows into the Streedagh Point Dunes SAC. As part of the licencing procedure the NPWS have been asked to comment on the likely effect of the discharge on the SAC A proposed riverwalk on the objectives map terminates at the Streedagh Point Dunes SAC. This may lead to potential impacts including some habitat loss and disturbance of species.	Y	An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.
Monasteraden	004048 Lough Gara SPA	WWTP in Monasteraden has sufficient spare capacity. The WWTP will be subject to a discharge licence from the EPA.	N	N/A
Mullaghmore	000625 Bunduff Lough And Machair/Trawalua/Mullaghmore	Mullaghmore is located adjacent to the Bunduff Lough And Machair/Trawalua/Mullaghmore SAC. The Zoning map shows an overlap between zoned land and the SAC boundary. Any development occurring through implementation of the Mini Plan may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of	Y	A policy is included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows 13.3 G. Any proposal for the provision of pedestrian/cycle links along riverside areas shall be screened for the requirement of an appropriate assessment in compliance

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		<p>habitats and habitat loss as well as changes in water quality through runoff of pollution.</p> <p>Objective included in plan to <i>Encourage improved access to the seashore by providing walkways and open space (as indicated on the Objectives Map) and by requiring the provision of such facilities in conjunction with any development of adjoining lands.</i> This may lead to recreational pressure on the SAC and/or loss and fragmentation of habitats.</p> <p>Objectives in plan for a new WWTP: <i>Reserve land for the provision of a new wastewater treatment plant with a design capacity of 1,600 PE (population equivalent), and potential for further expansion to 2,400 PE.</i></p> <p>Potential impact through increased discharge of wastewater, depending on where wastewater is discharged to.</p>		<p>with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments), and in accordance with the policies outlined in Section 7.1 of this Plan.</p> <p>An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.</p> <p>Objective included in plan to ensure that <i>No additional multiple-unit developments shall be permitted to connect to the existing public wastewater system until the new treatment plant is completed and operational. In the absence of treatment capacity, on-site wastewater treatment proposals for individual developments will be considered, subject to appropriate design, site assessment etc. Communal systems will not be permitted in any case.</i></p>
Ransboro	N/A	No adverse impacts predicted from implementation of the Plan	N	
Rathcormack	000627 Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay)	It is proposed to provide a new wastewater treatment plant to serve Rathcormack. This may lead to cumulative impacts on Drumcliff Bay.	Y	<p>The following objectives/policies are included in the Sligo CDP will ensure that impacts from wastewater discharge are avoided SO-W-2, P-WW-1, 7, 10, 13, 14, O-WW-6 & 8, P-WQ-1 to 6 & 10, O-WQ-1, 3, 6, 8 & 10</p> <p>Plan includes objective that <i>'no additional multi-unit developments shall be permitted in the village until the new wastewater treatment plant is completed and operational'.</i></p>
Riverstown	001898 Unshin River	<p>Riverstown is bounded to the North and West by the Unshin River SAC. Any development occurring through implementation of the Mini Plan may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss as well as changes in water quality through runoff of pollution.</p> <p>Objective included in the plan to <i>Encourage improved access to Unshin River and Douglas River by providing walkways as indicated on the Objectives Map and by requiring their provision in conjunction with the development of adjoining lands.</i> This objective may lead to</p>	Y	<p>A policy is included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows 13.3 G. Any proposal for the provision of pedestrian/cycle links along riverside areas shall be screened for the requirement of an appropriate assessment in compliance with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments), and in accordance with the policies outlined in Section 7.1 of this Plan.</p>

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		<p>habitat loss and recreational disturbance of protected species such as otter.</p> <p>Emissions from the existing WwTW are to the Unshin (Arrow River) and are subject to an application for a discharge licence from the EPA. The most recent Q value given to this River downstream of the treatment works was 4. A Q value of 4-5 was given to the River upstream of the treatment works. The NPWS have been asked to comment on the likely effect of the discharge on the SAC</p>		<p>An additional policy has been included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows: 13.1.F. When considering any proposed development within the mini-plan areas, the planning authority must comply fully with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments) and assess whether the proposed development is likely to have a significant impact upon the integrity, conservation objectives and qualifying interests of any Natura 2000 site, notwithstanding any particular mini-plan objective that may apply to the relevant lands.</p>
Rosses Point	000627 Cummeen Strand/Drumcliff Bay (Sligo Bay)	<p>Rosses Point is located adjacent to the Cummeen Strand SAC. Any development occurring through implementation of the Mini Plan may lead to potential impacts from disturbance of species, fragmentation of habitats and habitat loss as well as changes in water quality through runoff of pollution.</p> <p>Objective included in plan to <i>'Encourage improved access to the seashore by providing walkways/open spaces and the enhancing/extending the existing seashore walk and by requiring the provision of such links in conjunction with the development of adjoining lands.'</i> This may lead to habitat loss and/or disturbance of species due to recreational pressure.</p> <p>Objective included in plan to <i>'Reserve land for the accommodation of additional car-parking demands on the site marked CP-1'</i> The area reserved under this objective is within the Cummeen Strand SAC</p> <p>Objective in plan to <i>'Reserve land at the existing wastewater treatment plant site for the provision of a pumping station to pump wastewater to the Sligo Main Drainage scheme as part of the Rosses Point / Cregg / Ballincar project.'</i></p>	Y	<p>A policy is included in Chapter 13 Mini-Plans General Policies as follows 13.3 G. Any proposal for the provision of pedestrian/cycle links along riverside areas shall be screened for the requirement of an appropriate assessment in compliance with Article 6 of the EU Habitats Directive (as transposed into Irish Law by the EU Habitats Regulations 1997 and subsequent amendments), and in accordance with the policies outlined in Section 7.1 of this Plan.</p> <p>Objective included in Plan to ensure no additional multiple-unit developments shall be permitted in the village until the upgrade to the wastewater treatment plant is completed and operational.</p>
Tourlestrane	002298 River Moy	River Moy SAC is a sufficient distance to the south of Tourlestrane to not be affected	N	