

## **SPECIAL MEETING OF DUN LAOGHAIRE RATHDOWN COUNTY COUNCIL**

**02 March 2022**

### **Wildlife Corridors Map**

**Motion: Councillor O. O'Connor**

That this Planning Authority pursuant to Section 12 (10) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) resolves to amend the Draft Development Plan as follows –

Amend amendment 387 by replacing the deleted text with: Note - Wildlife corridors are depicted in the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Biodiversity Plan 2021-2025.

**Report:**

The Executive agrees with the sentiment of this motion which accepts amendment 387 and makes a minor modification by way of additional text. The executive would recommend a slight modification to the wording of the proposed motion as the Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Biodiversity Action Plan 2021-2025 is still in draft form.

Proposed amendment 387 is as follows;

“Amend Supplementary Map B2 (Appendix 10) to replace the following text at the end of Section 10.1.1

‘Policy GIB23: County-wide Ecological Network’ (page 297):

~~“Note: The map will be updated at amendment stage with data from the forthcoming wildlife corridor plan~~

**This map is indicative only and does not purport to show all occurrences of ecologically sensitive sites. Locally Important Biodiversity Sites (LIBS) do not have a legal status.”**

Note: Show the Cherrywood Planning Scheme area greyed out.

Note: Update open spaces to show Beckett and Ticknick Park”

The Executive would note that a further alteration to proposed amendment 130 is now proposed in response to Motions 6 and 7 on the Material Amendments. The revised wording would introduce the following text to Section 8.7.1.5 ‘Policy Objective GIB22: Non-Designated Areas of Biodiversity’ (page 171):

*“It is envisaged that wildlife corridors will be depicted in the forthcoming Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Biodiversity Action Plan 2021-2025.”*

The Executive considers that a similar note could be included on Supplementary Map B1, which refers to the envisaged wildlife corridors in the forthcoming Biodiversity Action Plan.

**Recommendation**

Accept amendment 387 and apply a minor modification to proposed amendment 387 as follows (minor amendment is shown in red text, underlined and in italics):

Amend Supplementary Map B2 (Appendix 10) to replace the following text at the end of Section 10.1.1 'Policy GIB23: County-wide Ecological Network' of Appendix 10:

~~"Note: The map will be updated at amendment stage with data from the forthcoming wildlife corridor plan~~

*Note: The wildlife corridors will be depicted in the forthcoming Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Biodiversity Action Plan 2021-2025.*

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