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BY EMAIL

Dear Ms Walker

Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005
01426 Screening – Perth and Kinross Council – Housing in the Countryside Guide

Thank you for your screening consultation submitted on 28 November via the Scottish Government SEA Gateway for the above plan. In accordance with Section 9(3) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005, we have considered your screening report using the criteria set out in Schedule 2 for determining the likely significance of effects on the environment.

The screening report states that this guidance supports Policy 19 'Housing in the Countryside' in Perth and Kinross Council's Local Development Plan 2 and updates the existing guidance. We note this is a consultation draft for a revision of the existing Housing in the Countryside Guidance, which was subject to full SEA in 2009 (ref. SEA 00338). We are content that no significant environmental effects in addition to the ones considered in the previous assessment are likely from the proposed changes to the guidance. We therefore agree that the guidance is not likely to have significant environmental effects in respect of our main areas of interest.

Please note that this consultation response provides a view solely on the potential for the plan or programme to have significant environmental effects. SNH cannot comment on

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whether or not the plan meets other criteria determining the need for SEA as set out in the Act.

Should you wish to discuss this screening determination, please contact Carolyn Deasley in the first instance on 01738 458583 or via SNH's SEA Gateway at sea_gateway@nature.scot

Yours sincerely

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