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Dear Sir/Madam

**Screening Determination for Perth & Kinross Council's Placemaking  
Supplementary Guidance**

This statement sets out the Council's determination under Section 8(1) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 on whether or not a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is required for the above Supplementary Guidance.

**SEA Screening Process**

The screening process involved consulting the following Consultation Authorities on whether the Supplementary Guidance is likely to have significant environmental effects:

- Historic Scotland
- Scottish Environmental Protection Agency
- Scottish Natural Heritage

As well as consulting the above bodies, responsible authorities are required to take into account the criteria set out in Schedule 2 of the Act when determining whether or not the Supplementary Guidance is likely to have significant environmental effects.

In this instance, the Council wrote to the Consultation Authorities on. Their responses are summarised as follows:

<b>Consultation Authority</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Likely to have significant environmental effects</b>
<b>Historic Scotland</b>	Our understanding from the provided screening report is that the placemaking	<b>No</b>

	<p>guide offers further detail and advice on the implementation of Policy 1 from the emerging Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan. We note that you consider that, as the relevant policy has been subject to assessment through the SEA of the LDP2, significant environmental effects as a result of the guidance are unlikely. In light of this and the further information contained within the screening report we agree that the guidance in itself is unlikely to have significant effects on the historic environment.</p>	
<p><b>Scottish Environmental Protection Agency</b></p>	<p>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. Having reviewed the Screening Report, we consider that in respect of our main areas of interest (air, water, soil, human health, material assets (of which we have a specific interest in waste) and climatic factors) the Draft Placemaking Supplementary Guidance is unlikely to have significant environmental effects. Although we are of the view that significant environmental effects are not likely, it is for the Perth &amp; Kinross Council as Responsible Authority to make a formal determination taking into account the consultation responses received.</p>	<p><b>No</b></p>
<p><b>Scottish Natural Heritage</b></p>	<p>We understand from the screening report that this guidance provides additional detail, good practice advice and guidance in relation to Policy 1 'Placemaking' in the Proposed LDP2. This policy has recently been subject to SEA. We note that the guidance does not introduce new policy or strategy and agree that the guidance is not likely to have significant environmental effects in respect of our main areas of interest.</p>	<p><b>No</b></p>

The Council has also considered the plan against the criteria set out in Schedule 2 of the Act, and this analysis is attached to this document (See Appendix).

## **Reasons for Determination**

Having consulted the three consultation authorities, and having considered the criteria set out in the Act, the Council considers that the Placemaking Supplementary Guidance is unlikely to have significant environmental effects.

The Council has therefore determined that SEA is not required.

Yours sincerely

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Planning Officer