

**Delayed Office Opening  
for Employee Training**

*This office will be closed from  
8.45 am - 11.00 am on the first  
Thursday of each month.*



**Planning and Development**  
Interim Head of Service **Nick Brian**

Pullar House, 35 Kinnoull Street, PERTH,  
PH1 5GD  
Tel 01738 475000 Fax 01738 475710

Melissa Shields...  
SEA Gateway  
2-J (South)  
Victoria Quay  
Edinburgh  
EH6 6QQ \*

Contact Robert Wills  
Direct Dial 01738 475 370  
Email: [robertwills@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:robertwills@pkc.gov.uk)  
[www.pkc.gov.uk](http://www.pkc.gov.uk)

Our ref

Your ref 01382

Date 17 September 2021

Dear Ms Shields

### **Screening Determination for Planning for Nature 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 Environment 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 8<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

Their responses are summarised as follows:

<b>Consultation Authority</b>	<b>Comment</b>	<b>Likely to have significant environmental effects</b>
<b>Historic Environment Scotland</b>	Our understanding from the provided screening report is that the above guidance updates the existing non-statutory supplementary guidance and offers further detail and advice on Policies 36 and 39 from the emerging Perth and Kinross Local	<b>No</b>

	Development Plan. We note that you consider that, as the relevant policies have 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.	
<b>Scottish Environment Protection Agency</b>	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 Development Management and Wildlife Supplementary Guidance is unlikely to have significant environmental effects	<b>No</b>
<b>Scottish Natural Heritage</b>	I understand from the screening report that this non statutory guidance principally provides further information, sets out legislative requirements and good practice information in relation to Policies 36 and 39 in the Proposed LDP2. Policies 36 and 39 have recently been subject to SEA. I note that the guidance does not introduce new policy and agree that the guidance is not likely to have significant environmental effects in respect of our main areas of interest.	<b>No</b>

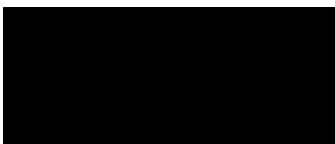
The Council has also considered the plan against the criteria set out in Schedule 2 of the Act, and this analysis is attached to this document (See Appendix).

### **Reasons for Determination**

Having consulted the three consultation authorities, and having considered the criteria set out in the Act, the Council considers that the technical corrections made to the three pieces of supplementary guidance are unlikely to have significant environmental effects.

The Council has therefore determined that SEA is not required.

Yours sincerely



Robert Wills  
Assistant Planning Officer