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Date : 18 November 2020



Clifford Chambers Parish Council c/o Mr Jonathan Tribe, Clifford Chambers Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group (e-mail only)

Dear Mr Tribe,

Your ref :

## CLIFFORD CHAMBERS NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN SCREENING FOR STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (SEA) AND HABITATS REGULATIONS ASSESSMENT (HRA)

In accordance with the European Directive 2001/42/EC and associated Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004 (SEA Regulations), Lepus Consulting has prepared a SEA Screening Document on behalf of Stratford-on-Avon District Council to determine whether the Clifford Chambers Neighbourhood Development Plan (CCNDP) should be subject to a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA).

The Screening Document explored the potential effects of the proposed CCNDP and concluded that on the basis of the SEA Screening Assessment, the CCNDP would not result in significant environmental effects in relation to criteria set out in the SEA Regulations or the Habitats and Species Regulations. Therefore, it is concluded that a habitats regulations assessment and SEA is not required and that the CCNDP should not be screened into the HRA/SEA process.

This screening document was subsequently submitted to the statutory environmental bodies of Historic England, Environment Agency and Natural England for comment, in accordance with the SEA Regulations. The three consultees concurred with the conclusions of the Screening Document that the preparation of a SEA/HRA was not required.

Having read the Submitted Draft NDP, SEA Screening Document and responses from the three statutory consultees, I concur with the view that a SEA/HRA is not required for the CCNDP.

I hope this is sufficient for your needs. However, should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Eva Neale, Policy Planner, whose details are at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely

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