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Dear Mr Neal

WILMCOTE AND PATHLOW DRAFT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN SEA/HRA CONSULTATION

Thank you for the above consultation.

For the purposes of consultations on SEA, Historic England confines its advice to the question, "Is the Plan or proposal likely to have a significant effect on the environment?" in respect of our area of concern, cultural heritage. Our comments are based on the information supplied by the LPA in their consultation to us.

On the basis of the information supplied, including that set out in the draft plan, and in the context of the criteria set out in Schedule 1 of the Environmental Assessment Regulations [Annex II of 'SEA' Directive], Historic England concur with the Council and are of the opinion that the preparation of a Strategic Environmental Assessment is currently not necessary.

The views of the other statutory consultation bodies should be taken into account before the overall decision on the need for a SEA is made. If a decision is made to undertake a SEA, please note that Historic England has published guidance on Sustainability Appraisal / Strategic Environmental Assessment and the Historic Environment that is relevant to both local and neighbourhood planning and available at: <http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/publications/strategic-environmental-assessment-sustainability-appraisal-historic-environment/>.

As regards the HRA Assessment English Heritage does not wish to comment in detail and would defer to Natural England and other statutory consultees.

I hope this is helpful.

Yours sincerely,



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Dear Mr Neale,

Planning consultation: Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening for Wilmcote & Pathlow Neighbourhood Development Plan.

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated 27/04/2016.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

Strategic Environmental Assessment – Screening

We welcome the production of this SEA Screening report. Natural England notes and concurs with the screening outcome i.e. that no further SEA is required with regard to Natural England's remit.

Further guidance on deciding whether the proposals are likely to have significant environmental effects and the requirements for consulting Natural England on SEA are set out in the [National Planning Practice Guidance](#).

Habitats Regulations Assessment

Natural England notes the screening process applied to this Neighbourhood plan. We agree with the Council's conclusion that a HRA screening is required.

We really value your feedback to help us improve the service we offer. We have attached a feedback form to this letter and welcome any comments you might have about our service.

We would be happy to comment further should the need arise but if in the meantime you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

For any queries relating to the specific advice in this letter only please contact Tom Amos on 0300 060 1396. For any new consultations, or to provide further information on this consultation please send your correspondences to consultations@naturalengland.org.uk.

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Yours sincerely

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