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Beaudesert & Henley-in-Arden Joint Parish Council
c/o Ray Evans
Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group
(e-mail only)

Dear Mr Evans,

**BEAUDESERT & HENLEY-IN-ARDEN NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN
SCREENING FOR STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (SEA) AND
HABITATS REGULATIONS ASSESSMENT (HRA)**

In accordance with the European Directives 2001/42/EC and 92/43/EEC and associated Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004 (SEA Regulations) and the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (Habitats Regulations), Lepus Consulting has prepared a SEA and HRA Screening Document on behalf of Stratford-on-Avon District Council. This Screening Document has been prepared to determine whether the Beaudesert & Henley-in-Arden Neighbourhood Development Plan (BHNDP) should be subject to a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and/or a Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA).

The Screening Document explored the potential effects of the proposed BHNDP and concluded that on the basis of the SEA/HRA Screening Assessment, the BHNDP would not result in significant environmental effects in relation to criteria set out in the SEA Regulations or the Habitats Regulations.

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 and HRA Screening Document and responses from the three statutory consultees, I concur with the view that a SEA/HRA is not required for the BHNDP.

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'JCP Careford'.

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