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Dear Lewis

Strategic Environment Assessment (SEA) Screening Determination Report for Perth and Kinross Interim Local Housing Strategy 2009-2014. Ref: 00448

This statement sets out the Council's determination under Regulation 10(1) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 on whether or not a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is required for the above strategy. Please find attached Screening Report submitted by Perth and Kinross Council.

The SEA screening process

The screening process, in this instance, has involved consulting the following consultation authorities on whether the plan is likely to have significant environmental effects:

Historic Scotland
Scottish Environment Protection Agency
Scottish Natural Heritage

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

In this instance, the Council submitted a Screening Report to the consultation authorities on 17th September 2009 and their responses are summarised below:

CONSULTATION AUTHORITY	Dates comments received	SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS?
Historic Scotland	23/09/09	No
Scottish Environment Protection Agency	14/10/09	No
Scottish Natural Heritage	8/10/09	No

Having consulted the three authorities and having considered the criteria set out in the Act, the Council considers that Perth and Kinross Interim Local Housing Strategy is unlikely to have significant environment effects.

The Council has therefore determined that an SEA will not be required.

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