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Dear Johnathan

**Screening Determination for Perth & Kinross Council Open Space and Developer
Contributions 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 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 8th January 2015. Their responses are summarised as follows:

Consultation Authority	Comment	Likely to have significant environmental effects
Historic Scotland	On the basis of the information provided, I agree that the SG is unlikely to have significant additional effects on the historic environment.	No
Scottish Environmental Protection Agency	We understand that the overarching LDP policy (CF1) has undergone SEA through the LDP process and any likely significant environmental effects identified through that process have had mitigation	No

	measures provided. We are in agreement with PKC that this SG is unlikely to cause any additional significant environmental effects and therefore a SEA is not required.	
Scottish Natural Heritage	I agree that the guidance is not likely to have significant environmental effects in respect of our main areas of interest. If an open space audit/strategy are prepared it is recommended that these are considered in terms of SEA requirements.	No

Reasons for Determination

Having consulted the three consultation authorities, and having considered the criteria set out in the Act, the Council considers that the Open Space and Developer Contributions Supplementary Guidance is unlikely to have significant environmental effects.

The Council has therefore determined that SEA is not required.

Yours sincerely



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