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By email

Dear Sir or Madam

**Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005
Screening Determination for Perth and Kinross Local Development Plan:
Developer Contributions and Affordable Housing Supplementary Guidance**

This statement sets out the Council's determination under Section 8(1) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 on whether a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is required for the above Supplementary Guidance.

SEA Screening Procedure

The screening process involved consulting the following Consultation Authorities on whether the Supplementary Guidance is likely to have significant environmental effects:

- Historic Environment Scotland
- Scottish Environment Protection Agency
- NatureScot

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 the Supplementary Guidance is likely to have significant environmental effects.

In this instance, the Council wrote to the Consultation Authorities on 28 April 2023 and the responses are summarised in the following table:

| Consultation Authority | Comment | Likely to have significant environmental effects |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| Historic Environment Scotland | We understand that this is an update to the existing Developer Contributions and Affordable Housing Supplementary Guidance. We note that you consider that, as the guidance offers further information and advice on the policies of the Local Development Plan which have previously been subject to environmental assessment as part of the LDP SEA, significant environmental effects as a result of the guidance itself are unlikely. As noted above, we are content to agree that significant effects on the historic environment are unlikely. | No |
| NatureScot | We note that this supplementary guidance is a review of previous guidance and offers additional guidance without directing development or adding detail to the Local Development Plan. It is understood that the guidance is financial in nature and not about securing finance towards existing and future projects. On this basis, we agree with the Council's conclusion that the guidance will not result in any significant environmental effects and an SEA is not required. | No |
| SEPA | In accordance with Section 9(3) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 we have reviewed the screening report using the criteria set out in Schedule 2 of the Act. In regard to our main areas of interest (air, water, soil, human health, material assets and climatic factors) we agree with the conclusions of the screening report that the proposed PPS is unlikely to have significant environmental effects. | No |

The Council has also considered the Supplementary Guidance against the criteria set out in Schedule 2 of the Act, an analysis of which is attached.

Reasons for Determination

Having consulted the three consultation authorities and having considered the criteria set out in the Act, the Council considers that the Developer Contributions and Affordable Housing Supplementary Guidance is unlikely to have significant environmental effects. The relevant policy has been subject to assessment through the

SEA of the LDP2 so significant environmental effects as a result of the guidance that have not already been assessed elsewhere are unlikely.

The Council has therefore determined that SEA is not required.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Finlayson'.

Alasdair Finlayson
Planning Officer

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