

## **Environmental Report**

Report for:

**Shobdon Neighbourhood Area** 

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## **Shobdon Parish Environmental Report**

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## Non-technical summary

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is an important part of the evidence base which underpins Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDP), as it is a systematic decision support process, aiming to ensure that environmental assets, including those whose importance transcends local, regional and national interests, are considered effectively in plan making.

The Shobdon Parish has undertaken to prepare an NDP and this process has been subject to environmental appraisal pursuant to the SEA Directive. The Parish lies to the north-west Herefordshire close to the border with Wales, and is approximately 10 km to the west of Leominster.

The Shobdon NDP was subject to an independent examination in the autumn 2017: the examiner's report was received on 15 December 2017. The report concluded that the NDP did not meet the basic conditions as a full planning appraisal of the options and consistent assessments of the sites had not been undertaken. It concluded that the NDP would need to be subject to a further regulation 14 and regulation 16 consultation period to address this.

This assessment has been an iterative process and has been undertaken during the initial process from Reg14 until the examination and then on the reviewed draft plan.

The submission Shobdon NDP (August 2018) includes 6 objectives and it is intended that these objectives will be delivered by 15 criteria based planning policies; there are three small site allocations all within the proposed settlement boundary. A number of other sites have been assessed which were considered as options but not included within the NDP.

The environmental appraisal of the Shobdon NDP has been undertaken in line with the Environmental Assessment of Plan and Programmes Regulations 2004. Stage A of the SEA process involved Scoping and Stage B provided a review and analysis of the NDP. Stage C involved preparing an Environmental Report and Stage D comprises a formal consultations undertaken on the drafts and submission documents.

Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) screening has been carried out as the parish falls within the catchment for the River Wye (including River Lugg), and is within 10km of Downton Gorge both of which are European sites (Special Area of Conservation). The HRA assesses the potential effects of the NDP on the River Wye SAC and Downton Gorge.

On the whole, it is considered that the Shobdon NDP is in general conformity with both national planning policy contained in the National Planning Policy Framework and strategic policies set within the Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy). Nor does it propose any growth that would be over and above that prescribed by strategic policies.

Once made (adopted) by Herefordshire Council, the effects of the policies within the Shobdon NDP will be monitored annually via the Council's Annual Monitoring Report (AMR).

## 1.0 Introduction

1.1 This report forms the Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of the Shobdon Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP).

1.2 The Shobdon NDP proposes three site allocations within the settlement boundary, Shobdon village is identified within table 4.14 which is targeted for proportional levels of growth in Policy RA1 of the Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy). The NDP also provides general policies for guiding future development across the parish as a whole.

## Purpose of the SEA

- 1.3 SEA is a requirement of EC Directive 2001/42/EC (the SEA Directive) which requires the assessment of the effects of certain plans and programmes on the environment to ensure that the proposals in that plan or programme contribute to the achievement of sustainable development.
- 1.4 The Directive was transposed into domestic legislation through the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004 and which applies to plans with significant environmental effects.
- 1.5. A screening opinion was carried out on the Shobdon NDP and it concluded that due to the range of environmental designations in and around the parish, there may be significant environmental effects and consequently an SEA would be required.

## **Parish Neighbourhood Plan Context**

- 1.6 The Parish lies to the north-west Herefordshire close to the border with Wales, and is approximately 10 km to the west of Leominster.
- 1.7 The neighbourhood area boasts many natural features, including 3 Special Wildlife Sites and 1 ancient woodland. There are numerous built heritage assets, too, including listed buildings, 3 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and non-designated assets.
- 1.8 The vision for Shobdon in 2031 is as follows:

"The Parish of Shobdon will continue as a sustainable, thriving and prosperous community supporting a high quality of life for all its residents, with a balanced population and a distinctive settlement at its core exhibiting vitality and dynamism.

"This means that new development benefitting the whole community will be accommodated in ways that meet changing circumstances, especially adapting to environmental, social and economic needs, while retaining and preserving the area's heritage, natural environment and local greenspace. The rate at which such development takes place ensures new residents can be absorbed into the community without overwhelming its values and expectations."

- 1.9 The 6 NDP objectives are as follows:
  - 1. To address traffic issues including the speed of vehicles through the village; the effect of traffic noise on amenity; and the need for safer access by pedestrians and cyclists to local services and facilities and campaign for better road maintenance throughout the parish.
  - 2. To provide a range and choice of affordable new homes to meet the needs of all sections of the community and which is appropriately spread throughout the parish and provides a pleasant community environment. These homes should be built in manageable numbers and density designed to respect and enhance the character of the parish.
  - 3. To maintain a thriving local economy by ensuring employment and enterprise opportunities are available for local people. Appropriate business will be encouraged to the area by ensuring a good Broadband reception and adequate local services.

- - 4. To support the provision of improved infrastructure, in particular roads/pavements; public transport; the sewerage system; surface water drainage and broadband and telecommunications equipment. Infrastructure to reduce carbon dependence will also be encouraged through seeking appropriate alternative energy methods.
  - 5. To maintain and enhance existing community, sports, recreational and social facilities whilst encouraging the development of new facilities to provide for the expected growth of the parish.
  - 6. To protect and maintain the natural and historic environment3 of the Parish, in particular its designated areas, sites and buildings4; and its landscape character, especially views and vistas across open countryside, ensuring access to these through the public footpath and bridle way network.

## **Context of Neighbourhood Plans**

- 1.10 NDPs are a relatively new type of planning document that form a key part of the Government's localism agenda. They enable local communities to develop plans that reflect local aspirations, in accordance with strategic policies.
- 1.11 The Shobdon NDP must therefore conform to national planning policy set within the NPPF and strategic level local policy including the Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy).
- 1.12 The Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy) was adopted on the 16 October 2015.
- 1.13 Paragraph 48 of the NPPF and Planning Practice Guidance set out the weight that may be given to relevant policies in emerging plans, including NDPs, and indicated that weight may be given to relevant policies in emerging NDPs according to:
  - The stage of preparation of the emerging plan (the more advanced the preparation, the grater the weight that may be given):
  - The extent to which there are unresolved objections to relevant policies (the less significant the unresolved objections, the greater the weight that may be given); and
  - The degree of consistency of the relevant policies in the emerging plan to the policies in this Framework (the closer the policies in the emerging plan to the policies in the Framework, the greater the weight that may be given).
- 1.14 This part of the NPPF is reinforced by Planning Practice Guidance published in March 2014, which is clear that an emerging NDP may be a material planning considered once it has reached submission/local authorities publication stage (Regulation 16). This is reinforced by recent ministerial statements and case law (West Sussex), all of which have demonstrated that an emerging NDP may be a material consideration at the Regulation 16 stage.
- 1.15 Table 4.14 of the Local Plan (Core Strategy) lists Shobdon among the settlements which it considers to be sustainable locations for growth, in line with the provisions of Policy RA2.
- 1.16 Once made (adopted) by Herefordshire Council, the Shobdon NDP will have a role in guiding future development proposals within the Parish, by setting out setting out policies against which planning applications will be determined.

### Structure of SEA

- 1.17 The structure of the document is as follows:
  - Section 2 Explains the SEA methodology and summarises the comments received in respect of the SEA Scoping Report

- Section 3 Introduces the Shobdon Neighbourhood Plan objectives and the SEA framework
- Section 4 Appraises the objectives contained within the Neighbourhood Plan against the SEA framework
- Section 5 Appraises the options considered within the Neighbourhood Plan against the SEA framework
- Section 6 Appraises the policies contained within the Neighbourhood Plan against the SEA framework
- Section 7 Discusses the implementation and monitoring of the Neighbourhood Plan
- Section 8 Concludes the SEA report by outlining next steps

## 2.0 Methodology

- 2.1 The SEA process comprised several stages and which are summarised, in some detail, below.
- 2.2 Stage A involved 4 tasks and culminated in a Scoping Report:
  - *Task A1:* Identified and reviewed relevant policies, plans and programmes and environmental protection objectives from European, National and Local sources.
  - Task A2: Collected baseline information to provide a picture of past, present and likely future conditions within the area. This helped to establish indicators which will be used to monitor the effects and performance of the Shobdon NDP.
  - Task A3: Focused on the environmental issues identified from the baseline, highlighting key issues and problems within the neighbourhood area.
  - Task A4: Used the information gathered from Tasks A1-A3 to develop a set of SEA objectives, sometimes referred to as the 'sustainability framework'.
  - *Task A5:* Collated the results of Tasks A1-A4 within a Scoping Report, a document which was subject to a statutory 5 week consultation.
- 2.3 Stage B involved 4 tasks and assessed the effects of the NDP.
  - Task B1: Tested NDP Objectives against the SEA Objectives
  - Task B2: Developed and refined the NDP options and policies
  - Task B3/B4: Predicted and evaluated the significant effects of the NDP
- 2.4 Stage C involved preparing an Environmental Report. This report presents information compiled during Stage B of the SEA process and constitutes the Draft Environmental Appraisal of the NDP. It accompanied the Draft Plan during its formal Regulation 14 consultation with people who live, work and carry out businesses in the neighbourhood area, as well as statutory bodies listed in the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.
- 2.5 Following the draft consultation, changes were made to the plan for submission and these were assessed within Task D2 and D3 which included the amendments of 8 policies. Minor wording and layout changes were made to the objectives of the plan, however these were not significant to require additional assessment. Producing an Environmental Report is therefore a legal requirement and the submission of this report to Herefordshire Council forms Stage D of the SEA process.

2.6 Following the independent examination, the examiner's report indicated that the plan did not meet the basic conditions and therefore would need to repeat some stages of the process. This includes a further Reg14 and Reg16 consultation with its accompanying environmental assessments.

2.7 Following the latest Reg14 consultation, five policies have been amended and they have been assessed within this report.

## **Scoping Report Consultation**

- 2.7 With regard to the SEA scoping assessments, documents A1 to A4 were completed by a Herefordshire Council Planning Officer and sent to the Parish Council for comment, in readiness for a 5 week consultation with statutory bodies, pursuant to the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004.
- 2.8 After the document was approved by the Parish Council, the Shobdon SEA Scoping Report was available to four<sup>1</sup> statutory bodies for consultation from 30 October to 4 December 2014.

## **Consultation outcomes from Statutory Consultees**

- 2.9 The consultation resulted in 2 responses, both of which are attached at Appendix 3.
- 2.10 Both responses were collated and incorporated within this document where relevant.

**Natural England:** Recommends that additional baseline data be sourced in respect of SSSIs, wildlife habitats, landscape character and the quality of agricultural land.

**English Heritage:** Have no substantive objection to the contents of the documents.

**Environment Agency:** No comments received

Natural Resources Wales: No comments received

## 3.0 The SEA Framework

- 3.1 As mentioned previously, Stage A of the SEA identifies and reviews relevant policies, plans and programmes and environmental protection objectives from European, National and Local sources (refer to Table A1 in Appendix 2 for details of those documents that were reviewed in completing Stage A of SEA on the Shobdon NDP).
- 3.2 The requirement to undertake this 'context review' is contained in Annexes 1(a) and (e) of the SEA Directive which states that an Environmental Report should include:
  - "...an outline of the contents, main objectives of the plan or programme and relationship with other relevant plans and programmes" and
  - "...the environmental protection objectives, established at international, Community or Member State level, which are relevant to the plan or programme and the way those objectives and any environmental considerations have been taken into account during its preparation"

## **Policy context**

3.3 The Shobdon NDP will deliver the Local Plan (Core Strategy) at parish level by adding locally specific detail to strategic policies. As a consequence, the Scoping Report for the NDP was

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Statutory consultation bodies: Natural England; English Heritage; Environment Agency Natural Resources Wales

based on the context review Herefordshire Council undertook for its Local Plan (Core Strategy).

- 3.4 The results of this assessment (context review) provide the source of the local baseline data and have been incorporated into the SEA framework. It should be noted that:
  - No list of policies, plans and programmes can ever be exhaustive and that Herefordshire Council has selected those considered to be of particular relevance to the planning system;
  - New or revised plans and policies can emerge during the SEA process
- 3.5 The following strategies and plans have been reviewed and, where appropriate, incorporated within the SA Framework objectives:
  - The EC Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations (2010) These regulations transpose the Habitats Directive in England, Wales and to a limited extent Scotland by ensuring that activities are carried out in accordance with the Habitats Directive, which is to protect biodiversity through the conservation of natural habitats and species of wild flora and fauna.
  - The EC Water Framework Directive (2000) Commits all EU member states to achieve good qualitative and quantitative status of all water courses by 2015
  - The Wildlife and Countryside Act (1981) The major legal instrument for wildlife protection in Britain, although other significant acts have been passed since. It has numerous parts and supplementary lists and schedules many of which have been amended since publication.
  - Biodiversity 2020: A strategy for England's wildlife and ecosystem services (2011) Forms part of the UK's Post-2010 Biodiversity Framework by setting out England's
    contribution towards the UK's commitments under the United Nations Convention of
    Biological Diversity.
  - The Countryside and Right of Way Act (2000) Creates a statutory right of access on foot to certain types of open land, to modernise the public rights of way system, to strengthen nature conservation legislation, and to facilitate better management of AONBs
    - The Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act (2006) Designed to help achieve a rich and diverse natural environment and thriving rural communities through modernised and simplified arrangements for delivering Government policy.
    - Revised EU Sustainable Development strategy (2009) Sets out a single strategy on how the EU will more effectively meet its long-standing commitment to meet the challenges of sustainable development.
    - National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) (2012) Consolidates the suite of PPG/PPS into one succinct planning policy document.
    - Planning Practice Guidance (2013) Sets out the vision, objectives and policies for the Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy), which will guide development across the county up to 2031.
    - Herefordshire Local Transport Plan 3 (LTP) 2013-2015 Sets out the Council's strategy for supporting economic growth, social inclusion and reducing the environmental impacts of transport, as well as the program of investment for the period April 2013 to April 2015.

 Understanding Herefordshire Report (2014) - Important to understand the place such as the local economy natural and built environment in which people live, learn and work as part of understanding their quality of life. Enable development for economy and housing to the required levels and growth should be supported by sustainable transport measures.

- Malvern Hills AONB Management Plan 2014-2018 (2014) Identifies the issues and challenges facing the special features of the area and contains 24 guiding principles and 46 strategic objectives which will help address them.
- Wye Valley AONB management Plan 20014-2018 (2014) The Management Plan is the prime document which sets out the vision for the area and the priorities for its management.
- Herefordshire Economic Development Strategy 2011-2016 Aims to increase the economic wealth of Herefordshire by setting out proposals and to support business growth up to 2016.
- Herefordshire Employment Land Study (2012) Includes employment land assessments for the plan period 2011-2031. The study includes Quantitative and Qualitative assessments of employment land, assessment of market demand and need, as well as providing forecasts and recommendations for future employment need over the plan period.
- Herefordshire Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) (2009) -The SHLAA aims to justify site allocations in plans by:
  - Identifying sites which are capable of delivering housing development
  - o Assessing sites for their housing potential; and
  - Predicting when a site could be developed for housing.
- Herefordshire Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA) (2013) Builds on an earlier Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) developed for Herefordshire and Shropshire. Its purpose is to inform the Local Plan's policies regarding housing need and demand (for market and affordable housing) within each of the 7 Housing Market Areas (HMAs) in Herefordshire between 2011 and 2031.
- Herefordshire Local Housing Requirements Study (2012) Technical assessment of the housing market and potential future local housing requirements which supports planning policy regarding the amount of growth, housing tenure and housing type needed within Herefordshire up to 2031.
- Herefordshire Rural Housing Background Report (2013) Provides the justification for the proportional housing growth targets outlined in the Core Strategy
- Herefordshire Draft Gypsies and Travellers Assessment (2013) Assesses the accommodation needs of Gypsies and Travellers across Herefordshire.
- Herefordshire Local Biodiversity Action Plan (2007) Focuses conservation
  efforts on the areas within Herefordshire that will result in the greatest benefit for
  ecological networks, habitats and species.
- Building Biodiversity into the LDF (2009) Provides the Council's Local Plan (Core Strategy) with evidence in respect of biodiversity and geodiversity, identifying both opportunities and constraints across Herefordshire.

• Herefordshire Green Infrastructure Strategy (2010) - Develops a framework of natural and culturally important features and functions so that planning for a sustainable future is at the heart of planning within Herefordshire.

- Renewable Energy Study (2010) Assesses the energy demand within Herefordshire and the ability for the county to accommodate renewable and low carbon energy technologies.
- Herefordshire Playing Pitch Assessment (2012) Produces a strategic framework, audit and assessment and needs analysis of outdoor sports pitches and facilities for Herefordshire. The document arises as a result of a recommendation in the Herefordshire and Worcestershire Sports Facilities Framework to develop local standards for playing fields and sports pitches throughout Herefordshire.
- Open Spaces Study (2006) The 2006 space audit and assessment of need is a snap shot of the quality, quantity and distribution of open space across Herefordshire.
- Play Facilities Study (2012) The Play Facilities Study 2012 updates the
  previous play facilities analysis under the Open Spaces Study 2006 and provides
  guidance and a framework for the development, delivery and continued
  sustainability of providing new and improved play facilities for children and young
  people in Herefordshire to 2031.
- Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) and Water Cycle Study (2009) The
  Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) provides a summary of flood risk in
  Herefordshire to inform the location of future development. The Water Cycle
  Study examines how water resources and water supply infrastructure,
  wastewater treatment, water quality, sewerage and flood risk could constrain
  growth across Herefordshire.
- 3.6 Appendix 1 of the Shobdon NDP Scoping Report provides additional detail on the Plans, Policies and Programmes mentioned above and identifies the implications for the SEA and NDP.

## **SEA Objectives and baseline characteristics**

3.7 The SEA objectives that were used at Stages A and B of the process are listed in the following table.

SEA C	SEA Objective									
1	To maintain or enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)									
2	To maintain or enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes									
3	To improve the quality of surroundings									
4	To conserver or where appropriate enhance the historic environment and culture heritage									
5	To improve air quality									
6	To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment									
7	To reduce contributions to climate change									
8	To reduce vulnerability to climate change									
9	To improve water quality									
10	To provide for sustainable sources of water supply									
11	To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk									
12	To conserve soil resources and quality									
13	To minimise the production of waste									

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14	To improve the health of the population
15	To reduce crime and nuisance
16	To conserve natural and manmade resources

- 3.8 The SEA objectives detailed above conform to the SEA Directive, and are derived from the Sustainability Appraisal undertaken for the Herefordshire Local Plan Core Strategy 2011-2031.
- 3.9 Baseline information gathered during Stage A of the SEA process provided details of the current environmental characteristics of the neighbourhood area and the status of its natural assets and features (refer to Appendix 2). This information was analysed as part of Task B2 of SEA, which looked at the extent to which the emerging NDP policies will help or obstruct these characteristics.
- 3.10 Following the completion of Task B2 of SEA it was apparent that the largest environmental issue within the Parish has an impact on the County as a whole is water quality; the River Wye (including the River Lugg), though currently meeting all its conservation objectives, will require effective management, in order to ensure that the quality of water does not deteriorate to the point that nutrient targets are missed further downstream.
- 3.11 The NDP does propose five small sites on the edge of the village but the Plan also includes criteria based policies which will help mitigate the effect of the development. The allocated sites do not exceed the growth figures of the Core Strategy. On this basis, the delivery of the NDP should not exacerbate existing problems regarding water quality or have an unacceptable adverse impact.
- 3.12 Baseline characteristics within the SEA detail the current environmental status of environmental characteristics in the neighbourhood plan area from different sources. The source of Baseline Information used in Table A2 in Appendix 2, and analysed in Table B2 can be found in Appendix 4 Baseline characteristics in relation to the Shobdon NDP SEA objectives are listed below.

SEA Objective	Baseline Data / Characteristic	Future Baseline trends
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	The 2011-2013 AMR does not contain updated conservation data. There are no SSSIs within Shobdon parish 2010/11: 17 Habitat Action Plans and 14 Species Action Plans are currently in operation across Herefordshire. Staunton-on-Wye & District Group has: 3 SWS. There are no NNRs and SINCs within the parish.	% of SSSI land in favourable condition (Increase) % of SSSI land in unfavourable condition but recovering (Increase) % of SSSI land in unfavourable condition and declining (Decrease)  To capitalise on opportunities to enhance the areas of value to nature conservation as much as possible.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	There are no outstanding enforcement actions or appeals concerning locally important buildings within Shobdon at present. There are no conservation areas within the Parish.	To wherever possible improve upon or otherwise maintain current status.

To improve quality of surroundings	In terms of Shobdon itself, 3.61 hectares of playing pitch area, 2.75 (75%) hectares of playing pitch area with secured community access: Shobdon Football Ground; Shobdon Cricket Ground	No specific targets identified
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	Whilst there is no qualitative, locally specific data available at present, there are a numerous archaeological and historic sites in Shobdon according to the latest version of the register.	To wherever possible improve upon or otherwise maintain current status.
To improve air quality	Between 2005 and 2010 Herefordshire's total and per capita carbon emission reduced by 7% and 8% respectively; while UK's total and per capita carbon emission reduced by 8% and 12% respectively within the same period. This suggests that air quality is improving.	To reduce the overall carbon emissions.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	% of Herefordshire residents who travel to work by: Car: 70.1%, Foot: 14.7:,Bicycle: 4.3%,Bus: 2%, Train: 0.8%,Motorbike: 0.8%,Taxi: 0.3%,Other: 7%.	To encourage the take up of lesser polluting modes of transport.
To reduce contributions to climate change	Herefordshire latest figure of C02 emissions per capita-dates back to 2010: 1.61 million tonnes (mtCO²)	To reduce the overall carbon emissions.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	Reduce the risk of flooding-There have been no approvals contrary to EA advice since reporting began in 2004. The 2011-2013 AMR does not contain updated conservation data.	To have no applications permitted contrary to EA advice.
To improve water quality	Percentage of river length assessed as good or very good chemical quality and ecological quality as required by the Water Framework Directive. Latest figure dates back to 2005: 84%.	To ensure that rivers meet their conservation objectives and do not fall below the required standard of quality.  New development within the area could lead to the water quality failing the phosphate levels and conservation objectives.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	Shobdon parish falls into the Herefordshire Conjunctive Use Water Resource Zones (WRZs), one of 6 zones covering Herefordshire. 39% of demand is from non-household use.	No specific targets identified
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency on flood defence grounds. The 2011-2013 AMR does not contain updated conservation data.	To have no applications permitted contrary to EA advice.
To conserve soil resources and quality	Around the parish of Shobdon the soil classification is Grades 2 and 3. Percentage of all new development completed on previously developed land.2010/11: 67%2011-13: 57%.	Measure the number of hectares of best and most versatile soil lost through development  To increase the number of

		homes built on PDL in line with the provisions of national planning policy
To minimise the production of waste	No baseline data available	No specific targets identified.
To improve health of the population	No baseline data available	No specific targets identified.
To reduce crime and nuisance	No baseline data available	No specific targets identified.
To conserve natural and manmade resources	There are numerous listed buildings within the parish and 3 SAMs. None of which are currently recorded in the Buildings at Risk Register. There are no outstanding enforcement actions or appeals concerning locally important buildings within Shobdon parish at present. 3.The Parish Area has the following landscape types: Principal settled farmlands and principal wooded hills.	To wherever possible improve upon or otherwise maintain current status.

3.13 There are three objectives for which there is no local baseline data available and therefore this provides a limitation on the baseline data and whether the NDP policies are able to more towards or away from this data, this also means that there are no future trends to link the SEA objective too.

## 4.0 Assessing the NDP Objectives (original draft Reg14)

- 4.1 The objectives listed above in paragraph 1.9 aim to realise the vision for Shobdon in 2031.
- 4.2 The table below tests these NDP objectives against the SEA objectives, providing a summary of the results of Task B1 of SEA. The full results are available at Appendix 4 of this report.
- 4.3 The majority of those NDP objectives which have a relationship with the SEA framework are positively compatible with it or have a neutral effect. Some of the relationships between the Plans objectives to the SEA objectives remain unclear due to the full details of developments not being known, i.e design, density etc. and potential vehicular increase due to the rural nature of the Parish, which could impact upon air quality and vulnerability to climate change.
- 4.4 The NDP and local Plan policies provide mitigation towards the location of new development to ensure the impact of such is reduced and therefore a more positive outcome against the SEA objective is expected long term.

	Key:										
+	Compatible										
-	Possible conflict										
0	Neutral										
Х	No relationship between objectives										
?	Unclear, more information needed										

NDP	SEA	SEA Objectives														
Objectives	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Objective 1	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	Х	Х	Х	х	х	+	+	+	+
Objective 2	?	+	+	+	0	-	?	х	?	X	X	?	?	X	X	?
Objective 3	?	+	?	+	Х	?	?	?	Х	X	?	?	?	х	х	?
Objective 4	?	+	+	?	Х	?	?	Х	Х	X	?	+	?	+	+	?
Objective 5	X	+	+	+	Х	?	Х	X	X	X	?	X	?	+	+	+
Objective 6	+	+	+	+	?	?	?	?	х	х	?	+	х	?	?	+

## 5.0 Assessing the NDP Options (original draft Reg14)

- All options that were considered by Shobdon Parish during the development of their Plan have been assessed as part of the SEA, the summary matrix of the assessment can be found in Table B2 options these tables are in Appendix 4.
- The options covered the areas likely to go forward in the Plan. These options were considered at public consultation events across the Parish. The results of which will feed into the identification of the preferred options and ultimately the draft policies.
- 5.3 A 'do nothing' option was also considered by the Parish, i.e. not undertaking a Neighbourhood Development Plan, however this was disregarded at an early stage by the Parish Council.
- The Shobon parish options all had a generally positive or unknown impact upon the Baseline data and SEA objectives, in particular Option 4 would have the least impact upon the environment and move towards the SEA objectives, but still has some unknown effect on the baseline due to not knowing where the larger scale housing site would be located, however there is more opportunity to mitigate against the effects on the SEA objectives. The Option 3 would also have some unknown effect due to not knowing the location of the new small scale housing sites and also not knowing how many sites would be required to be spread around the village. This option states small scale development but no further details are included to understand how a policy would impact upon the baseline. Therefore the development of the policy will need to consider the SEA objectives.
- Overall all of the options had mainly a positive effect on the SEA objectives and baseline, if the policies that are developed incorporated the elements of the options that are ensuring mitigation of new development and additional details are provided for the location and design of any proposed site then the assessment of the policies should result in a positive result. As these options were generally moving towards the SEA objectives any further alternatives would probably be moving away and therefore no further options are required to be assessed.

NDP	SEA	SEA Objectives														
Options	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Option 1	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х				Χ
Option 2	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				+
Option 3	+	+	+	+	+	?	?	+	+	+	?	+				+
Option 4	++	++	++	+	+	?	?	?	+	?	+	+				+

## 6.0 Appraisal of the policies

A key part of developing a plan such as the Shobdon NDP is developing a range of options and testing these, so that a preferred way forward can be selected.

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- 6.2 The Draft NDP emerging set of draft policies can be appraised for the purposes of Stage B of the SEA:
  - Policy S1 Promoting a Sustainable Community
  - Policy S2- Development Strategy
  - Policy S3 Highways and Transport infrastructure
  - Policy S4 Meeting housing needs within Shobon village
  - Policy S5 Phasing of development
  - Policy S6 Provision of affordable housing
  - Policy S7 Design criteria for residential development
  - Policy S8 Supporting local business
  - Policy S9 Renewable and low carbon energy
  - Policy S10 Surface and foul water drainage
  - Policy S11 Accessibility to community facilities
  - Policy S12 Broadband infrastructure
  - Policy S13 Protection and provision of open space
  - Policy S14 Retaining the natural environment and landscape
  - Policy S15 Protecting local heritage

### Stage B of SEA

- 6.3 In the context of Task B1 of SEA, the previous section of this report identified that many of the NDP objectives are compatible with the SEA framework, while others had either a neutral impact, no relationship with the SEA objectives or if needed; further information such as location of development. Additional policy safeguards within the NDP and Local Plan (Core Strategy) would help mitigate any possible conflicts.
- 6.4 With regard to Task B2 of SEA, the NDP policies were measured against both the SEA framework and the baseline characteristics identified during Stage A of the process; here, there was no baseline data available in respect of SEA Objectives 3 and 9. Full details of this appraisal are attached at Appendix 4.
- 6.5 The policies largely score as positive or neutral against the SEA objectives and will not, therefore, have an adverse impact on the baseline characteristics or immediate environmental impacts. This is because they are criteria based policies which only consider schemes on their own merits, as and when planning applications are submitted to the local planning authority.
- There are some unknown factors, particularly where the location of specific piece of development (i.e tourist facilities or business units) is not yet known.

NDP Policy	SEA	EA Objectives														
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Policy 1	+	+	+	+	Х	?	+	+	+	+	+	+	Х	Х	Х	+
Policy 2	+	+	?	?	0	?	?	Х	Х	Х	0	?	х	х	х	?
Policy 3:	?	+	+	+	+	++	+	х	х	х	х	х	х	x	х	+
Policy 4	+	+	?	+	0	?	?	X	Х	Х	0	?	Х	Х	X	?

NDP Policy	SEA	Objec	tives													
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Policy 5	+	+	?	?	х	?	х	х	х	х	+	?	х	Х	Х	+
Policy 6	+	+	?	?	0	?	?	X	Х	X	0	?	Х	X	х	?
Policy 7	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	?	+	+	Х	Х	Х	+
Policy 8	+	+	+	+	?	?	Х	Х	?	?	?	?	Х	Х	Х	+
Policy 9	+	+	+	+	+	+	+ +	+ +	0	х	+	+	х	х	х	+
Policy 10	+	+	+	+	Х	Х	+	+	+	Х	+	+	Х	Х	Х	+
Policy 11	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	Х	?	+	Х	Х	Х	+
Policy 12	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	0	0	0	+	Х	X	X	+
Policy 13	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	Х	Х	+	+	+	Х	X	X	+
Policy 14	++	++	++	+	0	0	X	X	?	X	+	+	X	X	X	+
Policy 15	++	++	+	++	X	X	X	X	Х	X	X	+	X	X	X	+
5 small scale housing sites identified within the settlement boundary	+	?	?	+	?	?	?	X	х	x	+	?	+	X	X	+

- 6.7 The results of Task B3, as shown at Appendix 4, demonstrate that the cumulative impact of the NDP policies over the course of the plan period is generally positive. Although some policies may have a neutral or uncertain impact during the first 5 years of the plan period, there is no reason why they cannot have a positive effect in the medium to long-term due to policy safeguards included in the Local Plan (Core Strategy); these safeguards should avoid or mitigate against unacceptable adverse impacts.
- Task B4 of SEA brings together the results of earlier tasks and thus identifies the cumulative impact of the entire of the NDP. This task, which is also attached at Appendix 4, reveals that the objectives and policies contained in the Shobdon NDP are in general conformity with the Local Plan (Core Strategy), which means that the cumulative effect of the plan will contribute to the achievement of the SEA objectives.
- None of the NDP policies are considered to be in direct conflict with or propose greater levels of growth and development than strategic policies contained in the Local Plan (Core Strategy), which themselves have undergone a full Sustainability Appraisal.

## Stage D of the SEA – assessment of the changes to policies following the draft consultation (Reg14 – February 2016)

- 6.10 As mentioned previously, 8 policies were refined following the Draft Plan consultation which took place from 8 February to 21 March 2016. These changes were necessitated by comments received during the consultation period rather than specifically as a result of the Environmental Report. Minor word changes were made to the objectives of the plan but these were not significant enough to require a reassessment at this stage.
- 6.11 To ensure clarity within the plan the 5 sites indicated within paragraph 5.6 of the draft Shobdon NDP have now been included within Policy S4. Therefore these sites will also form part of the reassessment given their policy status. Additional area which were considered and not included within the plan have been included within the assessment as an additional option. With this in mind the settlement boundary has been delineated in a consistent manner and in line with Guidance Note 21 produced by Herefordshire Council. Therefore a range of variations on a settlement boundaries are not considered required for assessment.
- 6.12 The results of this further assessment can be seen in detail within Appendix 7. They reveal the outcomes of Stage B process mentioned above were largely unaffected or strengthen by the refinements to the policies.

## Stage D of the SEA – assessment of the change to policies following the submission consultation (Reg16 – January 2017)

- 6.13 The submission consultation was undertaken between 9 January and 20 February 2017. Following this consultation, there was a requirement to re-evaluate the delivery potential of the site allocations within the submission NDP to ensure the delivery of the Core Strategy requirements and therefore conformity.
- 6.14 The main changes have been the adjustment of the settlement boundary to the south of the village to reduce the potential windfall development, acknowledgement of the sites which have planning permission and the inclusion of an additional sites; 'Land to the east of the Paddocks'
- 6.15 The revisions were found to be unlikely to have a negative results on the baseline. The full assessment can be found in Appendix 9.

## Stage D of the SEA – assessment of the redrafted Reg14 following the examination (May 2018)

- 6.16 The Shobdon NDP was subject to an independent examination in the autumn 2017: the examiner's report was received on 15 December 2017. The report concluded that the NDP did not meet the basic conditions as a full planning appraisal of the options and consistent assessments of the sites had not been undertaken. It concluded that the NDP would need to be subject to a further regulation 14 and regulation 16 consultation period to address this.
- 6.17 Amendments to the redrafted NDP include policies S1, S3, S4, S6, S8, S9, S12 and S13. A site has also been removed and a further one added from those previously examined. In order to make the assessment comprehensive, the whole plan has been reassessed.

Policy S1 Policy S2 Policy S3 Policy S4	Promoting a sustainable community Development Strategy Highway and transport infrastructure Meeting housing needs within Shobdon village  o Land east of The Paddocks o Land to the south of Canterbury Lane opposite the Grove Land west of the Paddocks
Policy S5 Policy S6 Policy S7 Policy S8 Policy S9 Policy S10 Policy S11 Policy S12	Provision of affordable housing design criteria for residential development Supporting local business Renewable and low carbon energy Surface and foul water drainage Accessibility to community facilities Broadband Infrastructure Local Green Space and open space
Policy S13 Policy S14	Retaining the natural environment and landscape Protecting local heritage

- 6.18 Following a further housing assessment, the housing allocations within the village have been amended. These is to take account of planning permissions which have been granted whilst the NDP is in progress. The redrafted plan now contains three sites which have been assessed within this SEA (sites which were previously considered were assessed within earlier versions of the SEA). Many of these sites are now reflected within the commitments.
- 6.19 The alternative site options have been assessed and are always included within Appendix 11
  - Site 1 Land to the west of the Old Power House
  - Site 2- Land to the east of the Old Gymnasium
  - Site 3 Land to the south of Bateman Close

- Site 4 Land to the north-west of The Grove (Old play area)
- Site 5 Pearl Lake, west of the Paddock
- Site 6 /6A Land to the east of The Paddock and the Humbers
- Site 7 Land north of Moor Meadow, at Hillhampton Farm
- Site 8 Land to the west of Wildflower House
- Site 9 Land to the south of New Cottages
- Site 10 /10A Land to the south of Rosevilla Terrace
- Site 11 Land to the east of Shobdon Primary School
- Site 12 Part field to the south of Bar Meadow
- Site 13 Orchard to the south of the Grove.

6.20 The revisions were found to be unlikely to have a negative effect on the SEA baseline. A full assessment of the policies can be found in Appendix 11.

## Stage D of the SEA – assessment of the redrafted Reg16 (Aug 2018)

- 6.21 A further Reg14 consultation was undertaken on the Shobdon NDP between 23 May and the 5 July 2018. Amendments have been made to 5 policies; S4, S6, S7, S9 and S12.
- 6.22 Many of these amendments are minor in nature and consist of additional wording and an additional open space designation in Policy S12.
- 6.23 These revisions were found to be unlikely to have a negative effect on the SEA baseline. The full assessment can be seen within Appendix 13.

## 7.0 Implementation and monitoring

- 7.1 Herefordshire Council as the Local Planning Authority should make arrangements to monitor the significant effects of implementing a neighbourhood plan.
- 7.2 Regulation 17 of the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004 requires the Local Planning Authority to monitor the significant environmental effects of the implementation of any NDP that was subject to SEA, in order to identify unforeseen adverse effects at an early stage and to enable appropriate remedial actions.
- 7.3 Accordingly, Herefordshire Council will monitor outcomes from the NDP policies and the results of these will be reported in the Council's Annual Monitoring Report (AMR).
- 7.4 The AMR runs from 1 April to 31 March each year and the topics covered therein include the following:
  - Housing delivery;
  - Previously developed land
  - Housing completions
  - Affordable housing conditions
  - Employment land delivery.

## 8.0 Next steps

- This report will be subject to a formal public consultation of 6 weeks duration alongside the resubmission Reg16 Shobdon NDP.
- 8.2 Responses on the draft NDP will be reviewed as part of the examination.
- Any changes made to the NDP as a consequence of the examination will trigger a review of the SEA, unless they do not materially affect the outcomes of Stage B of the SEA process.

## Appendix 1



## Initial Habitat Regulations Assessment and Strategic Environmental Assessment Screening Notification

The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulation 2012 (Reg. 32)

Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 (d)

Neighbourhood Area:	Shobdon Neighbourhood Area					
Parish Council:	Shobdon Parish Council					
Neighbourhood Area Designation Date:	17/07/2012					

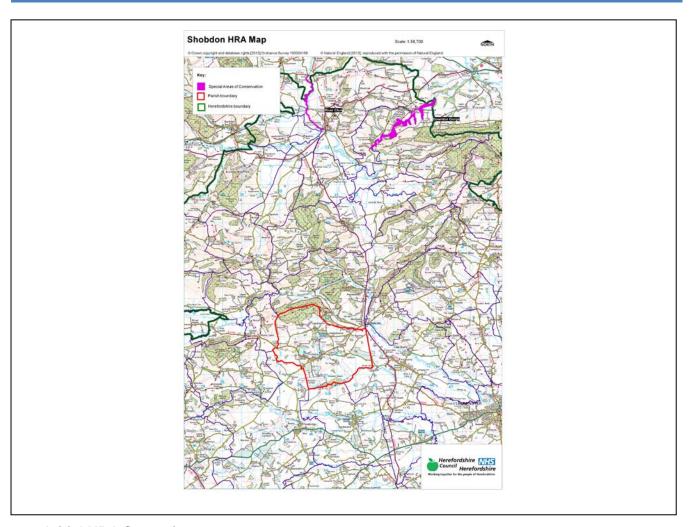
## Introduction

This Initial Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) and Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening has been undertaken to assess whether any European Sites exist within or in proximity to the Neighbourhood Area which could be affected by any future proposals or policies.

Through continual engagement the outcomes of any required assessments will help to ensure that proposed developments will not lead to Likely Significant Effects upon a European Site or cause adverse impacts upon other environmental assets, such as the built historic or local natural environment.

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## HRA Initial Screening: Map showing relationship of Neighbourhood Area with European Sites (not to scale)



## **Initial HRA Screening**

## River Wye (including the River Lugg) SAC:

Does the Neighbourhood Area have the River Wye (including the River Lugg) in or next to its boundary?	N	The River Wye/Lugg is not within the borders of the Parish
Is the Neighbourhood Area in the hydrological catchment of the River Wye (including the River Lugg) SAC?	Υ	The majority of the Parish is within the River Lugg hydrological catchment area. The very eastern tip is in the River Arrow catchment area.
If yes above, does the Neighbourhood Area have mains drainage to deal with foul sewage?	Υ	There is mains drainage at Shobdon

## **Downton Gorge SAC:**

Is the Neighbourhood Area within 10km of Downton Gorge SAC?	Y Downton Gorge is 9.5km away from Parish	the
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## **River Clun SAC:**

Does the Neighbourhood Area include: Border Group Parish Council or Leintwardine Group	N	River Clun does not border the Parish
Parish Council?		

## **Usk Bat Sites SAC:**

Is the Neighbourhood Area within 10km of the	N	Usk Bat Sites are 48.3km away from the
SAC boundary?		Parish

## Wye Valley & Forest of Dean Bat Sites SAC:

Is the Neighbourhood Area within 10km of any of	N	The Parish is 47km away from Wye
the individual sites that make up the Wye Valley &		Valley and Forest of Dean Bat Sites
Forest of Dean Bat Sites?		

## **Wye Valley Woodlands SAC:**

Is the Neighbourhood Area within 10km of any of the individual sites that make up the Wye Valley	The Parish is 47.6km away from the Wye Valley Woodlands
Woodlands Site?	,

## **HRA Conclusion:**

The assessment above highlights that the following European Sites will need to be taken into account in the future Neighbourhood Development Plan for the Shobdon Neighbourhood Area and a Full HRA Screening will be required.

## **European Site**

(List only those which are relevant from above)

River Wye (including the River Lugg) SAC

Downton Gorge SAC

## Strategic Environmental Assessment Initial Screening for nature conservation landscape and heritage features

The following environmental features are within or in general proximity to the Shobdon Neighbourhood Area and would need to be taken into account within a Strategic Environmental Assessment. In addition, the NDP will also need to consider the other SEA topics set out in Guidance Note 9a to ensure that the plan does not cause adverse impacts.

SEA features	Total	Explanation	SEA required
Air Quality Management Areas	0	There are no AQMA's within the Parish	N
Ancient Woodland	1	Chaff Wood	Υ
Areas of Archaeological Interest	0	There are no AAI's within the Parish	N
Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty	0	There are no AONB's within the Parish	N
Conservation Areas	0	There are no Conservation Areas within the Parish	N
European Sites	0	There are no SACs within the Parish	N
Flood Areas		Flood Zones 2 and 3 at the south of the Parish to the east and south of Shobdon Airfield, and flows up towards Shobdon	Y
Listed Buildings	Numerous	There are numerous listed buildings throughout the Parish	N
Local Sites (SWS/SINCs/RIGS)	3 (SWS)	Shobdon Pools; Marsh Covert; Pinsley Brook	Υ
Long distance footpaths/trails	1	The Mortimer Trail	Υ
Mineral Reserves	0	There are no Minerals Reserves sites within the Parish	N
National Nature Reserve	0	There are no NNR's within the Parish	N
Registered & unregistered parks and gardens	1 Registered	Shobdon Arches	Υ
Scheduled Ancient Monuments	3	Shobdon Arches; Shobdon Castle Mound; Round Barrow 270yds (250m) south of Shobdon Church	Y
Sites of Special Scientific Interest	0	There are no SSSI's within the Parish	N

## **Decision Notification:**

The initial screening highlights that the Neighbourhood Development Plan for the Shobdon Neighbourhood Area:

a) Will require further environmental assessment for Habitat Regulations Assessment and Strategic Environmental Assessment.

Assessment date: 23/05/2013

Assessed by: James Latham

## **Appendix 1: European Sites**

The table below provides the name of each European Site, which has been screened in for the purposes of neighbourhood planning in Herefordshire; includes their site features of integrity; and vulnerability data. This is based on the sites individual features of integrity and their vulnerabilities, which could include distance criteria. This has been used in identifying which parishes are likely to require a full HRA Screening of their future Neighbourhood Development Plan, to establish if their plan might have Likely Significant Effects on a European Site.

### **Downton Gorge**

**Site Features:** *Tilio-Acerion* forests of slopes, screes and ravines

Vulnerability data: 10km for air quality associated with poultry units or other intensive agricultural practices.

### **River Clun**

Site Features: Freshwater pearl mussel Margaritifera margaritifera

Vulnerability data: Water quality is important to maintain the site feature. Parishes either side of the River Clun will be affected.

## **River Wye**

**Site Features:** Water courses of plain to montane levels with the *Ranunculion fluitantis* and *Callitricho-Batrachion* vegetation. Transition mires and quaking bogs. White-clawed (or Atlantic Stream) crayfish *Austropotamobius pallipes*. Sea lamprey *Petromyzon marinus*. Brook lamprey *Lampetra planeri*. River lamprey *Lampetra fluviatilis*. Twaite shad *Alosa fallax*. Atlantic salmon *Salmo salar*. Bullhead *Cottus gobio*. Otter *Lutra lutra*. Allis shad *Alosa alosa* 

**Vulnerability data:** Proximity: Developments should not be within 100m of the designated bank. Some developments beyond 100m may also have impacts based on proximity and these issues should be addressed where possible when developing NDP policy and choosing site allocations.

Water Quality: Within the whole catchment of the River Wye, which includes the River Lugg, mains drainage issues with regards to water quality are being resolved through the Core Strategy / Local Plan and development of a Nutrient Management Plan. Welsh Water should be consulted to ensure that the proposed growth will be within the limit of their consents.

Otters: "An otter will occupy a 'home range', which on fresh waters usually includes a stretch of river as well as associated tributary streams, ditches, ponds, lakes and woodland. The size of a home range depends largely on the availability of food and shelter, and the presence of neighbouring otters. On rivers, a male's home range may be up to 40km or more of watercourse and associated areas; females have smaller ranges (roughly half the size) and favour quieter locations for breeding, such as tributary streams.

Otters without an established home range are known as 'transients'. They are mostly juveniles looking for a territory of their own, or adults that have been pushed out of their territories. Transient otters may use an area for a short while, but they will move on if conditions are not suitable or if they are driven away by resident otters. Transients will have been important in extending the range of otters, but they are very difficult to identify from field signs.

Within a home range an otter may use many resting sites. These include above-ground shelters, such as stands of scrub or areas of rank grass, and

within a nome range an otter may use many resting sites. These include above-ground shelters, such as stands of scrub of areas of rank grass, and underground 'holts' – for example, cavities under tree roots and dry drainage pipes."

(Source: EA website: http://www.environmentagency.gov.uk/static/documents/Business/Otters the facts.pdf accessed 09/04/2013)

### **Usk Bat Site**

**Site Features:** Annex I habitats present as a qualifying feature, but not a primary reason for site selection: European dry heaths, Degraded raised bogs still capable of natural regeneration, Blanket bogs, Calcareous rocky slopes with chasmophytic vegetation, Caves not open to the public, *Tilio-Acerion* forests of slopes, screes and ravines. Annex II species of primary reason for site selection: Lesser horseshoe bat *Rhinolophus hipposideros*, UK population 5%, although it is suggested this is an underestimate.

**Vulnerability data:** Lesser Horseshoe bats are known to migrate between 5km and 10km between their summer and winter roosts. The Lesser Horseshoe Bat is vulnerable to disturbance; light pollution; and habitat loss. Check with the planning ecologist for other issues.

## **Wye Valley and Forest of Dean Bat Sites**

**Site Features:** Annex II species that are a primary reason for site selection: Lesser horseshoe bat *Rhinolophus hipposideros*. Greater horseshoe bat *Rhinolophus ferrumequinum* 

**Vulnerability data:** Lesser Horseshoe bats are known to migrate between 5km and 10km between their summer and winter roosts. The Lesser Horseshoe Bat is vulnerable to disturbance; light pollution; and habitat loss. Check with the planning ecologist for other issues.

Greater Horseshoe bats are known to migrate between 20-30km between their summer and winter roosts.

NDPs closest to the European Site will need to consider:

Woodland habitat buffer.

Lesser Horseshoe Bat: Old buildings; woodland locations; sheltered valleys, extensive deciduous woods or dense scrub, close to roost sites. In areas of fragmented habitats, linear habitats such as hedgerows are important corridors. Vulnerable to loss or disturbance of both summer and winter roosts and removal of linear habitat.

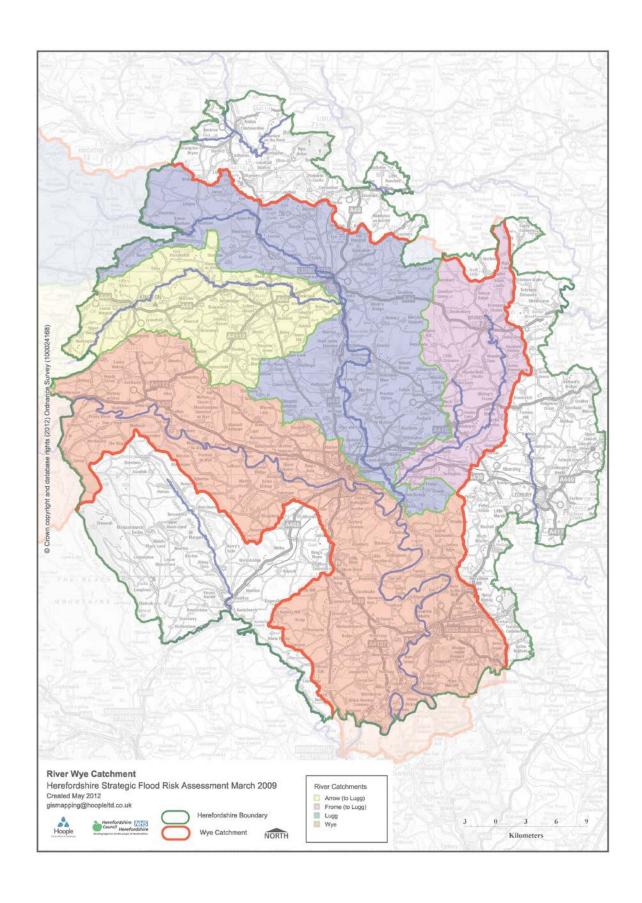
Greater Horseshoe Bat: Large buildings, pasture, edge of mixed deciduous woodland and hedgerows. Mixed land-use especially south-facing slopes, favours beetles, moths and insects they feed on. During the winter they depend on caves, abandoned mines and other underground sites for undisturbed hibernation. A system/series of sites required. Vulnerable to loss of insect food supply, due to insecticide use, changing farming practices and loss of broad-leaved tree-cover and loss / disturbance of underground roosts sites.

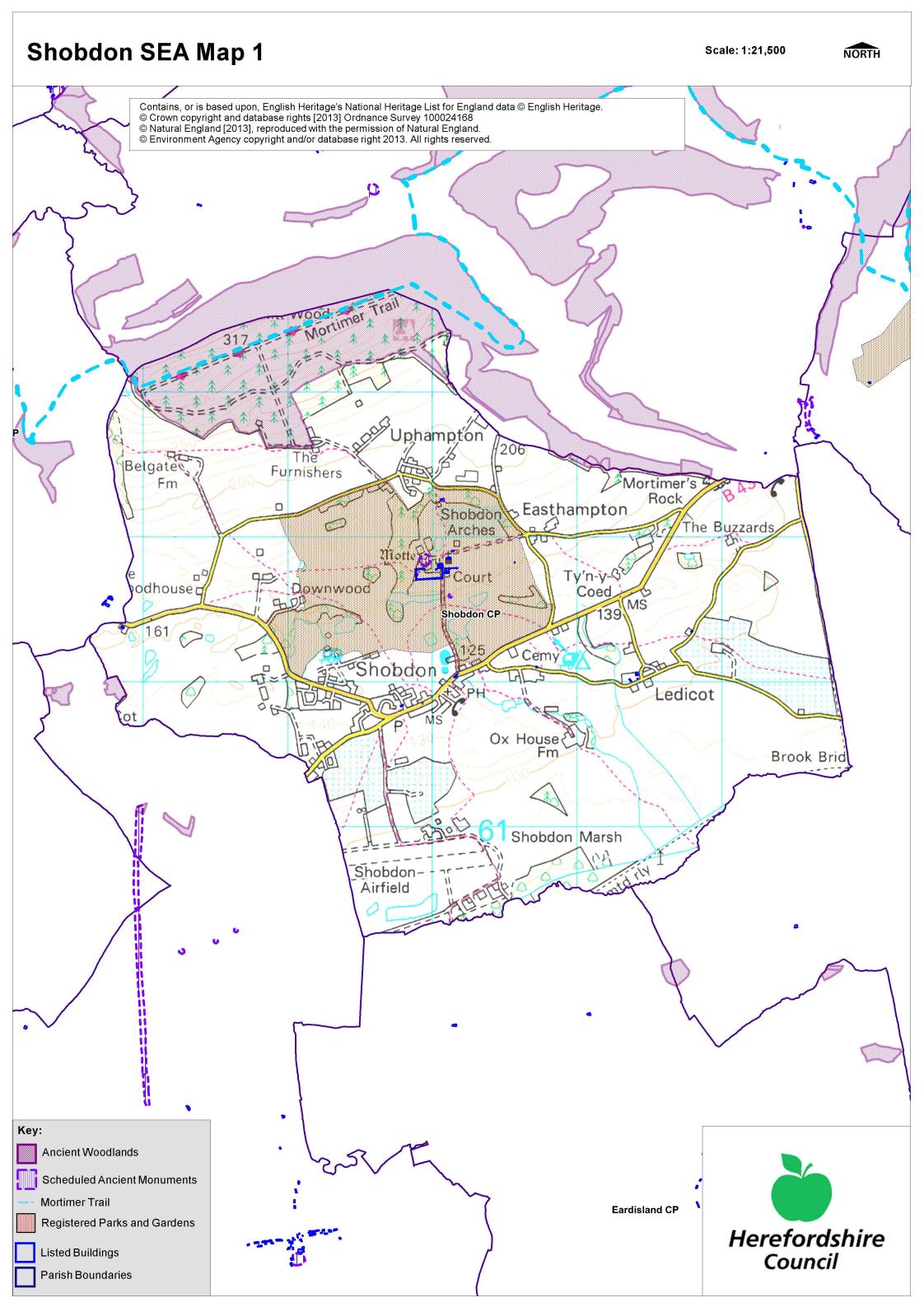
## **Wye Valley Woodlands**

**Site Features:** Annex I habitats that are a primary reason for site selection: Beech forests *Asperulo-Fagetum, Tilio-Acerion* forests of slopes, screes and ravines, *Taxus baccata* woods of the British Isles. Annex II species present as a qualifying feature, but not a primary reason for site selection: Lesser horseshoe bat *Rhinolophus hipposideros*, 51-100 residents

**Vulnerability data:** Lesser Horseshoe bats are known to migrate between 5km and 10km between their summer and winter roosts. The Lesser Horseshoe Bat is vulnerable to disturbance; light pollution; and habitat loss. Check with the planning ecologist for other issues. NDPs closest to the European Site will need to consider: Woodland habitat buffer. Lesser Horseshoe Bat: Old buildings; woodland locations; sheltered valleys, extensive deciduous woods or dense scrub, close to roost sites. In areas of fragmented habitats, linear habitats such as hedgerows are important corridors. Vulnerable to loss or disturbance of both summer and winter roosts and removal of linear habitat.

## **Appendix 2: Wye Catchment Map**







## Appendix 2

## Strategic Environmental Assessment



# Shobdon Neighbourhood Area

**Scoping Report** 

October 2014



## **Consultation on the Scoping Report**

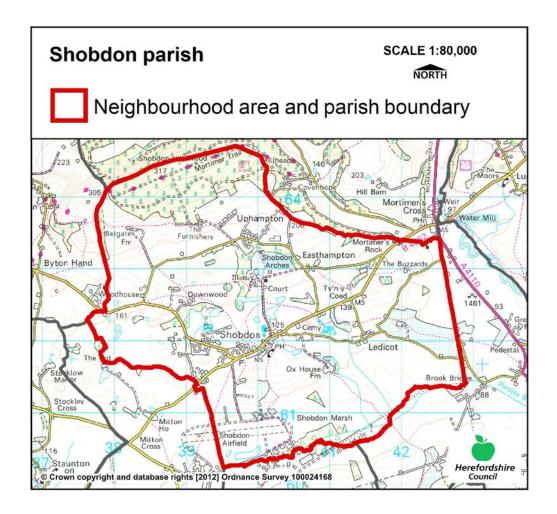
The aim of the consultation process is to involve and engage with statutory consultees and other relevant bodies on the scope of the appraisal. In particular, it seeks to:

- Ensure the SEA is both comprehensive and sufficiently robust to support the Neighbourhood Development Plan during the later stages of full public consultation;
- Seek advice on the completeness of the plan review and baseline data and gain further information where appropriate;
- Seek advice on the suitability of key sustainability issues;
- Seek advice on the suitability of the sustainability objectives.

Comments on this Scoping Report have been invited from the three consultation bodies as required by the SEA regulations, together with the Natural Resources Wales.

The three consultation bodies are as follows:

- 1. Natural England;
- 2. English Heritage;
- 3. Environment Agency.



Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
The EC Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations	European Union Legislation	2010	These regulations transpose the Habitats Directive in England, Wales and to a limited extent Scotland by ensuring that activities are carried out in accordance with the Habitats Directive, which is to protect biodiversity through the conservation of natural habitats and species of wild flora and fauna.	The Regulations make it an offence (subject to exceptions) to deliberately capture, kill, disturb, or trade in the animals listed in Schedule 2, or pick, collect, cut, uproot, destroy, or trade in the plants listed in Schedule 4. However, these actions can be made lawful through the granting of licenses by the appropriate authorities.	Biodiversity     Cultural heritage and the landscape	The NDP should be compliant with all the relevant legislation and regulations.
The EC Water Framework Directive	European Union	2000	Commits all EU member states to achieve good qualitative and quantitative status of all water courses by 2015.	Aims for 'good status' for all ground and surface waters (rivers, lakes, transitional waters, and coastal waters) in the EU.	Water	The NDP should be compliant with all the relevant legislation and regulations.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
The Wildlife and Countryside Act (1981)	Domestic Legislation	1981	The major legal instrument for wildlife protection in Britain, although other significant acts have been passed since. It has numerous parts and supplementary lists and schedules many of which have been amended since publication.	The principle mechanism for the legislative protection of wildlife in Great Britain.	<ul> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Cultural heritage and the landscape</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Soil</li> </ul>	The NDP should be compliant with all the relevant legislation and regulations.
The Countryside and Right of Way Act (2000)	Domestic Legislation	2000	Creates a statutory right of access on foot to certain types of open land, to modernise the public rights of way system, to strengthen nature conservation legislation, and to facilitate better management of AONBs.	The Act provides for a new right of access on foot to areas of open land comprising: Mountain (land over 600 metres); Moorland; Heath; Downland; Registered common land.  There are provisions to consider extending the right in the future to coastal land, but not woodland despite some early publicity suggesting this.	<ul> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Cultural heritage and the landscape</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Soil</li> </ul>	The NDP should be compliant with all the relevant legislation and regulations.

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Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
The Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act (2006)	Domestic Legislation	2006	Designed to help achieve a rich and diverse natural environment and thriving rural communities through modernised and simplified arrangements for delivering Government policy.	Provides that any public body or statutory undertaker in England and Wales must have regard to the purpose of conservation of biological diversity in the exercise of their functions.	<ul> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Cultural heritage and the landscape</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Soil</li> </ul>	The NDP should be compliant with all the relevant legislation and regulations.
Revised EU Sustainable Development strategy	EU Strategy.	2009	Sets out a single strategy on how the EU will better meet its long-standing commitment to meet the challenges of sustainable development.	Recognises the need to gradually change current unsustainable consumption and production patterns and move towards a better integrated approach to policy making. The Strategy sets overall objectives, targets and concrete actions for seven key priority challenges, predominantly environmental.	<ul> <li>Air</li> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> <li>Soil</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>	The NDP should take account of the objectives of the strategy, making the aim of sustainable development an integral part of its proposals.

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Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Biodiversity 2020: A strategy for England's wildlife and ecosystem services	National Strategy	2011	Forms part of the UK's Post-2010 Biodiversity Framework by setting out England's contribution towards the UK's commitments under the United Nations Convention of Biological Diversity.	Sets out to halt overall biodiversity loss, support healthy well-functioning ecosystems and establish coherent ecological networks, with more and better places for nature for the benefit of wildlife and people.	Biodiversity	The NDP should take account of the provisions of the strategy, making the most of opportunities to enhance wildlife habitats or restore degraded ecosystems in the process.
National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)	National Planning Policy.	2012	Consolidates the suite of PPG/PPS into one succinct planning policy document.	Aims to make the planning system less complex, more accessible and able to promote growth within the ethos of sustainable development. The presumption is in favour of sustainable development.	<ul> <li>Air</li> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> <li>Soil</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>	The guidance contained within the section on Neighbourhood Planning should be borne in mind during the preparation of the NDP.

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Planning Practice Guidance	Government Guidance	2014	Provides guidance to local planning authorities and others on the operation of the planning system.	Offers up-to-date, electronic guidance on every aspect of planning from air quality and design to land stability and rural housing.	<ul> <li>Air</li> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> <li>Soil</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>	The NPD must be progrowth and facilitate the provision and development of sustainable development.
Herefordshire Pre Submission Core Strategy 2011-2031	Development Plan Document (DPD)	2014	Sets out the vision, objectives and policies for the Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy), which will guide development across the county up to 2031.	Outlines the emerging suite of countywide planning policies relating to housing, economic development and the environment, which the NDP will need to be in conformity with where relevant.	<ul> <li>Air</li> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> <li>Soil</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>	The NDP should take account of relevant policies set within the Core Strategy.  Where necessary, the NDP should provide services, facilities and employment opportunities that are

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Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
				The Pre Submission Core Strategy includes a range of objectives, five of which directly relate to rural areas:  To meet the housing needs of all sections of the community To improve access to services in rural areas To strengthen the economic viability of the villages and their rural hinterlands.		accessible to both local and neighbouring communities. <sup>1</sup> Approximately 30 dwellings will need to be delivered within Shobdon, though this target is indicative and provides a starting point for work on the NDP.
				<ul> <li>To achieve sustainable communities and protect the environment</li> <li>To conserve, promote, utilise and enjoy our natural, built, historic and cultural assets for the fullest benefit of the whole community</li> </ul>		

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Figures do not include extant planning permissions from 2011 onwards.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
				To achieve a thriving rural Herefordshire, the Core Strategy seeks to enhance the role the villages have traditionally played in as accessible, sustainable centres for their rural catchments.		
				Seeks proportional growth of up to 12% in Shobdon (Kington HMA) over the plan period, subject to EiP outcome.		

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Herefordshire Local Transport Plan (LTP) 2013-2015	Corporate	2013	Sets out the Council's strategy for supporting economic growth, social inclusion and reducing the environmental impacts of transport, as well as the program of investment for the period April 2013 to April 2015.	The document includes three key objectives, one of which seeks to maintain access for rural residents and people without access to a car. Intrinsic to this is the retention of a 'core network' of bus services which focus on journeys between Hereford and the market towns, along with main transport corridors close to larger rural settlements. To this end, the strategy aims to increase the number of bus users by 1.3% (4,700 journeys) by 2015.	<ul><li>Air</li><li>Climatic factors</li><li>Population</li></ul>	The LTP does not explore current transport issues in the Shobdon neighbourhood area.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Herefordshire Economic Development Strategy 2011-2016	Corporate	2011	Aims to increase the economic wealth of Herefordshire by setting out proposals and to support business growth up to 2016.	The document outlines the path and direction to foster economic vitality within Herefordshire. Key objectives therefore include:  • Sustaining business survival and growth • Increasing wage levels, range and quality of jobs • Having a skilled population to meet future work needs • Developing the county's built infrastructure so enterprise can flourish.	<ul> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> </ul>	None of merit.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Herefordshire Employment Land Study	Evidence	2012	Includes employment land assessments for the plan period 2011-2031. The study includes Quantitative and Qualitative assessments of employment land, assessment of market demand and need, as well as providing forecasts and recommendations for future employment need over the plan period.	This study covers existing employment sites in Hereford, the five market towns and their rural hinterlands.  In terms of Shobdon itself, the study assesses both the Airfield site and land and premises currently occupied by:  • Kingspan • Premier Group • Invicta Works • Woods Insulation  Both Kingspan and the Airfield site are highlighted in table 5.3 with a market attractiveness score of 3 out of 3 and a planning score of 2 (potential top mark 3). They are classified as 'moderate' and therefore fall within the category of sites worthy of continued protection from non-employment uses.	<ul> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> </ul>	The Shobdon NDP should ensure the continued protection of the employment land and premises currently occupied by Kingspan and the Airfield site.  It would be appropriate for the NDP to examine the continued protection of the remaining employment sites and whether there is any scope for handing them over to alternative uses, including housing development.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Herefordshire Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA)	Evidence	2009	The SHLAA aims to justify site allocations in plans by:  • Identifying sites which are capable of delivering housing development • Assessing sites for their housing potential; and • Predicting when a site could be	The remaining sites are classed as 'poor', lower grade employment land, which may be released from Shobdon's current portfolio of sites.  In terms of Shobdon, previous SHLAA identifies that 265 additional dwellings could be provided on 10 sites in and around the existing settlement, however it is unlikely that this number would materialise due to significant constraints.	Air     Biodiversity     Climatic factors     Cultural heritage     Flora and fauna     Population     Soil     Water	If site allocations are pursued then the Shobdon NDP should be informed either by SHLAA or an alternative form of housing land assessment, undertaken in line with Guidance Note 21: Site assessment and allocation sites.
			developed for housing.			

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Herefordshire Local Housing Market Assessment (LHMA)	Evidence	2013	Builds on an earlier Strategic Housing Market Assessment (SHMA) developed for Herefordshire and Shropshire. Its purpose is to inform the Local Plan's policies regarding housing need and demand (for market and affordable housing) within each of the 7 Housing Market Areas (HMAs) in Herefordshire between 2011 and 2031.	<ul> <li>Shobdon falls within the Kington HMA. Here, the study reveals that:</li> <li>57% of households are unable to afford market housing.</li> <li>There is an annual requirement for 17 affordable dwellings between 2012 and 2017.</li> <li>The study identifies that, in rural parts of the HMA, there is a need for:</li> <li>336 market houses</li> <li>181 affordable houses.</li> <li>The study highlights that within the Kington HMA the overall estimated housing need by size 2012-2017 is as follows:</li> <li>1 Bed - 64.7%</li> <li>2 bed -23.1%</li> <li>3 bed - 12.2%</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Air</li> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Population</li> <li>Soil</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>	The LHMA provides an indication of housing needs and affordability within the Kington HMA.  It provides evidence that could be used to inform policies or market and affordable housing requirements in the NDP.
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Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Herefordshire Local Housing Requirements Study	Evidence	2012	Technical assessment of the housing market and potential future local housing requirements which supports planning policy regarding the amount of growth, housing tenure and housing type needed within Herefordshire up to 2031.	The delivery of 5,300 homes in the rural areas would:  • Support growth in the rural population by 6% • Increase the number of households by 14.5%  Forecasts also predict that growth in the population of the rural areas is likely to be primarily through an increase in those aged over 75.  Moderate growth is expected in the 30-44 and 60-74 age brackets.  The Local Housing Requirements Study therefore anticipates continuing improvements in life expectancy; significant growth is expected of those in their 80s, with the existing population in their 40s and 50s moving into retirement.	<ul> <li>Air</li> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> <li>Soil</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>	This study provides an indication of housing requirements in the rural areas and the Kington HMA.  This evidence can be used to inform the content of the Shobdon NDP.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Herefordshire Rural Housing Background Report	Evidence	2013	Provides the background for the proportional housing growth targets outlined in the Core Strategy	The village of Shobdon is listed among those settlements which are considered to be sustainable locations for growth of up to 12%, in accordance with the EiP outcome.	<ul> <li>Air</li> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> <li>Soil</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>	The Shobdon NDP will need to be in general conformity with the provisions of Local Plan policies concerning the rural areas.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Herefordshire Draft Gypsies and Travellers Assessment	Evidence	2013	Assesses the accommodation needs of Gypsies and Travellers across Herefordshire.	<ul> <li>Key findings from the survey of Gypsy and Traveller households in 2012 found that:</li> <li>31% of households surveyed have some sort of accommodation need</li> <li>Of the 17 households with an accommodation need, 7 had a requirement for at least one additional pitch</li> <li>10 households had a requirement for bricks and mortar housing</li> <li>There is an additional requirement for 7 pitches and 9 units of Registered Social Landlord accommodation within Herefordshire.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Air</li> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> <li>Soil</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>	The Shobdon NDP should establish whether any of the need identified in this assessment falls within the neighbourhood area and seek appropriate pitches and provision.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Herefordshire Local Biodiversity Action Plan	Evidence	2007	Focuses conservation efforts on the areas within Herefordshire that will result in the greatest benefit for ecological networks, habitats and species.	Integrating biodiversity objectives with other environmental, social and economic needs can provide a sustainable living and working environment that benefits both people and nature.	Biodiversity	The NDP can help to achieve the priorities set within the LBAP.
Building Biodiversity into the LDF	Evidence	2009	Provides the Council's Local Plan (Core Strategy) with evidence in respect of biodiversity and geodiversity, identifying both opportunities and constraints across Herefordshire.	This document provides useful information in respect of Hereford and the market towns only.	<ul> <li>Air</li> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> <li>Soil</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>	There is a lack of information about rural areas which means it will be necessary to gather and assess existing biodiversity and geodiversity data, in order to ensure that the Shobdon NDP can overcome any existing constraints and capitalise on opportunities to enhance habitats and their networks.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Urban Fringe Sensitivity Analysis	Evidence	2010	Technical Paper which supports the SHLAA by classifying the landscape sensitivity of the urban fringe on the edges of Hereford and the five market towns.	The document provides useful information in respect of Hereford and the market towns only.	<ul> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> </ul>	None of merit.
Herefordshire Green Infrastructure Strategy	Evidence	2010	Develops a framework of natural and culturally important features and functions so that planning for a sustainable future is at the heart of planning within Herefordshire.	Establishes policies and principles for the protection and enhancement of those features and functions that contributes to the environment of Herefordshire across a range of scales.	<ul> <li>Air</li> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> <li>Soil</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>	The study provides evidence that could be taken into account when preparing policies for the Shobdon NDP.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Renewable Energy Study	Evidence	2010	Assesses the energy demand within Herefordshire and the ability for the county to accommodate renewable and low carbon energy technologies.	The total energy demand excluding transport for Herefordshire, at that point in time, was calculated as being:  • Electrical: 731 GWh/yr • Heat: 1,810 GWh/yr • Total: 2,541 GWh/yr  There is scope for all types of renewable energy production.	<ul> <li>Air</li> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> <li>Soil</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>	The study provides evidence that could be taken into account when preparing policies for the Shobdon NDP.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Herefordshire Playing Pitch Assessment	Evidence	2012	Produces a strategic framework, audit and assessment and needs analysis of outdoor sports pitches and facilities for Herefordshire. The document arises as a result of a recommendation in the Herefordshire and Worcestershire Sports Facilities Framework to develop local standards for playing fields and sports pitches throughout Herefordshire.	The study updates components of the Herefordshire and Worcestershire Sports Facilities Framework 2010 such as updating population forecasts, setting local standards for synthetic turf pitches and grass playing fields within Herefordshire. It identifies any current gaps in provision, and looks forward to 2031 to assess what facilities are likely to be required by that date.  In terms of Shobdon itself, the study reveals that there is:  3.61 hectares of playing pitch area 2.75 (75%) hectares of playing pitch area with secured community access: Shobdon Football Ground; Shobdon Cricket Ground	<ul> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> </ul>	The study provides evidence that could be taken into account when preparing policies the Shobdon NDP.

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Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Open Spaces Study	Evidence	2006	The 2006 space audit and assessment of need is a snap shot of the quality, quantity and distribution of open space across Herefordshire.	<ul> <li>The study reveals that within the Kington Area, to which Shobdon is a part, there is:</li> <li>Extensive under provision of parks and gardens</li> <li>Extensive over provision of natural and semi-natural green space</li> <li>Under provision of amenity green space and average provision for outdoor sport</li> <li>Average provision for children and young people.</li> <li>In terms of Shobdon itself, no specific sites are identified.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> </ul>	The open space audit and assessment does not give a specific indication of open space shortfalls and surpluses in the Shobdon neighbourhood area. However, there may be a need to include a policy which encourages and facilitates the provision of outdoor recreational facilities.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Play Facilities Study	Evidence	2012	The Play Facilities Study 2012 updates the previous play facilities analysis under the Open Spaces Study 2006 and provides guidance and a framework for the development, delivery and continued sustainability of providing new and improved play facilities for children and young people in Herefordshire to 2031.	In terms of Shobdon itself, the assessment found that the existing play area by the village shop offers could do with expanding.  Also assessed is the play area at the Birches, which offers provision for teenagers and has good play value.	<ul> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Cultural heritage</li> <li>Flora and fauna</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> </ul>	The study provides evidence that could be taken into account when preparing policies the Shobdon NDP.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s)	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) and Water Cycle Study	Evidence	2009	The Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) provides a summary of flood risk in Herefordshire to inform the location of future development.  The Water Cycle Study (WCS) examines how water resources and water supply infrastructure, wastewater treatment, water quality, sewerage and flood risk could constrain growth across Herefordshire.	The neighbourhood area is situated in the Lugg River catchment and flood zones 2 & 3 run along the southern borders of the parish, to the east and south of Shobdon Airfield.  Sub-catchments within this zone record a standard percentage run off of 35-40%, which is potentially highly unsuitable for infiltration source control.  The area has a moderately slow flood response (Tp-time to peak) time at around 9 - 11 hours.  The WCS identifies a significant number of water bodies in the River Lugg catchment that have poor ecological status.	<ul> <li>Biodiversity</li> <li>Climatic factors</li> <li>Material assets</li> <li>Population</li> <li>Water</li> </ul>	New development proposed through the Shobdon NDP should be assessed against the capacity of local infrastructure.  Up-to-date flood risk information should be gathered from the Environment Agency, in order to ensure that any flood risks are considered when preparing the Shobdon NDP.

## **Appendix A2** – Baseline information for Shobdon

N.B. This is based on countywide baseline information with some additions relevant to Shobdon (in red). Where no locally specific data is available for current status, trends and targets, only countywide data is reported. Any gaps in data may be filled following additional research.

SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
SEA Topic cover	red by objective: B	iodiversity, flora and	d fauna				
13. Value, maintain, restore or expand county biodiversity.	Natural environment	Net change in condition of SSSIs across Herefordshire.	There are no SSSIs within the Neighbourhood Area	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
13. Value, maintain, restore or expand county biodiversity.	Natural environment	After use of mineral sites especially wildlife habitat creation.	There is no countywide or locally specific data available at present.	-	Percentage of opportunities taken.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	-

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Derived from the Pre Submission Core Strategy Sustainability Appraisal Assessment (May 2014)

SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
13. Value, maintain, restore or expand county biodiversity.	Natural environment	Phosphate levels within the River Wye SAC and adjoining tributaries that receive increased phosphates from proportional growth.	Countywide data is available, but this indicator would not apply to this Neighbourhood Area, as the parish falls outside the catchment area for the River Wye SAC.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
13. Value, maintain, restore or expand county biodiversity.	Natural environment	Changes to protected habitats and impacts of species within the Herefordshire Local Biodiversity Action Plan.	The 2011-2013 AMR does not contain updated conservation data.  There is no locally specific data available at present.	2010/11: 17 Habitat Action Plans and 14 Species Action Plans are currently in operation across Herefordshire.  There are no formal records of any unacceptable adverse impacts on habitats or protected species.  Originally 156 Priority Species were identified for inclusion in Herefordshire's LBAP.  Similarly Herefordshire's LBAP covered 23 habitats with Action Plans.	To protect or enhance the habitats of species identified.  Zero net loss of habitats.	Herefordshire Biological Records Centre (HBRC) holds limited data on some individual sites.	

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SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
13. Value, maintain, restore or expand county biodiversity.	Natural environment	Changes in the areas of designated nature conservation sites as a consequence of planning permission.	Shobdon has:  SWS: 3 <sup>2</sup> There are no SSSIs, SINCs, NNRs, and LNRs within the parish.	As of 2012, there had been no change in the areas of designated nature conservation sites as a consequence of the planning permissions granted.	To capitalise on opportunities to protect or enhance the areas of value to nature conservation.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	NDP SEA/HRA Screening Notification Report (July 2012)
13. Value, maintain, restore or expand county biodiversity.	Natural environment	Proportion of local sites where positive conservation management has or is being implemented.	The neighbourhood area comprises the following types of landscapes:  Principal settled farmlands.  Principal wooded hills.	-	No specific targets identified.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	Herefordshire Landscape Character Assessment (2004; updated 2009).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> View SEA/HRA Screening Notification Report for further details.

SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
SEA Topic cover	ed by objectives: I	Material assets					
14. Use natural resources and energy more efficiently.	Resource consumption and climate change	Maintaining Herefordshire Council's County Site and Monuments Register.	Countywide data would be too large to incorporate into this template.  Whilst there is no locally specific data available at present, there are numerous archaeological and historic sites in Shobdon according to the latest version of the register.	-	No specific targets identified, but need to ensure that the register is kept up to date.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	Herefordshire Environmental Records Register (searched October 2014).
14. Use natural resources and energy more efficiently.	Resource consumption and climate change	Monitoring changes to historic landscapes.	Rapid Townscape Assessments (2010) were only undertaken for Hereford, Ledbury and Ross.  Urban Fringe Sensitivity Analysis (2010) only considers sites on the urban fringe of Hereford and the five market towns.	-	No specific targets identified.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations	-

SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
SEA TOPIC COVER	ed by objective: Po	pulation, Blodivers	sity, Flora and Fauna				
15. Value, protect, enhance or restore the landscape quality of Herefordshire, including its rural areas and open spaces.	Natural environment	Number of developments meeting and surpassing national design standards.	There is no countywide or locally specific data available at present.	-	No specific targets identified.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	-

SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
15. Value, protect, enhance or restore the landscape quality of Herefordshire, including its rural areas and open spaces.	Natural environment	The need for, frequency and outcomes of planning enforcement investigations/ planning appeals concerning the aspects of local loss of locally important buildings within a conservation area.	There are no conservation areas within the neighbourhood area.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
SEA Topic cover	ed by objective: C	Climatic Factors					
16. Reduce Herefordshire's vulnerability to the impacts of climate change as well as its contribution to the problem.	Resource consumption and climate change.	Transport patronage by mode.	% of Herefordshire residents who travel to work by:  Car: 70.1% Foot: 14.7: Bicycle: 4.3% Bus: 2% Train: 0.8% Motorbike: 0.8% Taxi: 0.3% Other: 7%  There is no locally specific data available at present	The number of people cycling or travelling by bus as the main form transport to get to work declined between 2001 and 2011 — across England and Wales there was little change in either. Walking or driving a car or van on the other hand increased.	To encourage the take up of less polluting forms of transport.	There are a lack of transport options for many rural communities and therefore high car ownership and dependency – the last decade has seen a 15 per cent increase in household car ownership, although this is not reflected in traffic flows of recent years with volumes in Hereford City and wider county having decreased. The proportion of people working from home increased over the decade from 15 per cent in 2001 to 17 per cent in 2011.	2011 Census

SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
16. Reduce Herefordshire's vulnerability to the impacts of climate change as well as its contribution to the problem.	Resource consumption and climate change.	Number of decentralised energy schemes granted permission.	There is no countywide or locally specific data available at present.	-	To contribute towards the national target.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	-

SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
16. Reduce Herefordshire's vulnerability to the impacts of climate change as well as its contribution to the problem.	Resource consumption and climate	Total CO2 emissions per capita	Latest figure dates back to 2010: 1.61 million tonnes (mtCO²)  There is no locally specific data available at present.	Between 2005 and 2010 Herefordshire's total and per capita carbon emission reduced by 7% and 8% respectively; while UK's total and per capita carbon emission reduced by 8% and 12% respectively within the same period. This trend hides an increase in emissions between 2009 and 2010 when total emissions in the county increased by 5% the same as across the UK (+5%).	To reduce the overall carbon emissions.	CO <sup>2</sup> emissions produced are decreasing.	Understanding Herefordshire: An integrated needs assessment (June 2013).

SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
SEA Topic cover	ed by objective: W	ater					
17. Reduce the risk of flooding and the resulting detriment to public wellbeing, the economy and the environment.	Natural environment	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency on flood defence grounds.	The 2011-2013 AMR does not contain updated conservation data.  There is no locally specific data available at present.	2010/11: None There have been no approvals contrary to EA advice since reporting began in 2004.	To have no applications permitted contrary to EA advice.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	-
SEA Topic cover	ed by objective: W	ater, air, soil, mate	rial assets				
18. Minimise local and global pollution and protect or enhance environmental resources.	Natural environment	Agricultural land usage by quality	There is no countywide data available at present.  2011: The majority of land within the neighbourhood area was listed Grade 2 (Good) or Grade 3 (Good to Moderate) for its agricultural quality.	-	Measure the number of hectares of best and most versatile soil lost through development.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	West Midland ALC Map (Natural England 2011).

SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
18. Minimise local and global pollution and protect or enhance environmental resources.	Natural environment	Percentage of river length assessed as good or very good chemical quality and ecological quality as required by the Water Framework Directive	Latest figure dates back to 2005: 84%  There is no locally specific data available at present.	Figure steadily improved before going into decline: Herefordshire 1999 85.9%, 2000 89.5%, 2001 92.2%, 2002 91.8%	To ensure that rivers meet their conservation objectives and do not fall below the required standard of quality.	None identified.	The State of Herefordshire Report (2007) Water Framework Directive (2000)
SEA Topic cover	ed by objective: S	oil					
19. Ensure integrated, efficient and balanced land use.	Built environment	Percentage of all new development completed on previously developed land.	2011/13: 57%  There is no locally specific data available at present.	2010/11: 67%  Completions on PDL had risen to 71% by 2005.	To increase the number of homes built on PDL in line with the provisions of national planning policy.	The number of brownfield completions has fallen slightly in recent years, though this is probably the offshoot of tough market conditions.	Herefordshire Council AMR (2011/13)
19. Ensure integrated, efficient and balanced land use.	Built environment	Housing densities in urban and rural areas	There is no countywide or locally specific data available at present.	-	No specific targets identified.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	-

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SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
19. Ensure integrated, efficient and balanced land use.	Built environment	Level of development in urban areas compared to rural.	There is no countywide or locally specific data available at present.	-	No specific targets identified.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	-
SEA Topic covere	ed by objective: Cu	ultural heritage	1			1	1
20. Value, protect or enhance the character and built quality of settlements and neighbourhoods and the county's historic environment and cultural heritage.	Built environment	Number and percentage of listed buildings and Scheduled Ancient Monuments on Buildings at Risk Register (English Heritage).	The 2011-2013 AMR does not contain updated conservation data.  There are numerous listed buildings within the parish and 3 SAMs, none of which are currently recorded in the Buildings at Risk Register.	In 2011, there were 58 heritage assets in Herefordshire that were considered to be at high risk and included in the Heritage at Risk Register.	To maintain or enhance current status.	None of the incumbent listed buildings or SAMs are considered to be at risk at present.	Buildings at Risk Register (English Heritage; searched October 2014)

SA Objective <sup>1</sup>	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
20. Value, protect or enhance the character and built quality of settlements and neighbourhoods and the county's heritage assets, historic environment and cultural heritage.	Built environment	The need for, frequency and outcomes of planning enforcement investigations/ planning appeals concerning the aspects of local loss of heritage assets, locally important buildings across the Parish and particularly within a conservation area.	There are no conservation areas within the neighbourhood area.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Appendix A3 – Environmental issues identified from the Shobdon baseline

These environmental issues are the same as most of those identified for the Herefordshire Core Strategy<sup>1</sup>

SE	A Topic	Environmental issue	SA objectives
		High reliance upon the private car causing high levels of air pollution.	01
1	Air	Need to reduce carbon emissions by encouraging less polluting forms of transport.	Objective 16
		Habitats and species of national, regional and local importance are under pressure from the adaptation and diversification of farming and forestry employment.	
2	Biodiversity	Habitats and species of national, regional and local importance are under pressure from development	Objectives 13 &15
		Minimise loss of biodiversity and expand opportunities for wildlife everywhere.	
3	Climatic factors	Reduce greenhouse gas emissions through planning, design and build.	Objective 16
4	Cultural heritage	Shobdon has 3 Scheduled Ancient Monuments and numerous Listed Buildings, all of which require ongoing protection and many in need of high levels of maintenance.	Objective 20
5	Flora and fauna	Conserve and enhance the character and quality of historic landscapes, including all types of natural flora and fauna.	Objective 15
6	Material assets	How the countryside can continue to be managed in an economically, socially and environmentally beneficial way in the face of continuing pressures on traditional farming.	Objectives 14 & 18
7	Population	Minimise energy waste through good designs, which help to reduce energy consumption and maximise efficiency.	Objective 15
′	1 opulation	Need to avoid enforcement investigations/action concerning locally important buildings and those within conservation areas in particular.	Objective 10
8	Soil	Promoting development of previously developed land and buildings as opposed to greenfield sites or agricultural land of the highest quality.	Objectives 18 & 19
9	Water	Issues relating to availability of resources, foul drainage, pollution, and abstraction in a county which supports water dependent biodiversity of international and national importance, given the predicted climate change consequences for water availability and demanding projections for new housing.	Objectives 17 & 18

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Derived from the Pre Submission Core Strategy Sustainability Appraisal Assessment (May 2014) and LDF General Scoping Report (June 2007)

coping: Ta	sk A3 (Shobdon)	Environmental issues (Octobe		
	Steady decline in the chemical quality of rivers over the last 10 years.			
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## **Appendix A4** – SEA framework (objectives, indicators and targets)

SEA Topic(s)	SEA Objective(s)	SA Objective(s)	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
Air	<ul> <li>To improve air quality.</li> <li>To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment</li> </ul>	Minimise local and global pollution and protect or enhance environmental resources.	Minimise water, air, soil, groundwater, noise and light pollution from current activities and the potential for such pollution.	Transport patronage by mode.	To encourage the take up of less polluting forms of transport.
			Protect and enhance the quality of watercourses.		
			Provide opportunities to improve soil quality or reduce contaminated land.		
Biodiversity, Flora and fauna	To maintain or enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	<ul> <li>Value, maintain, restore or expand county biodiversity.</li> <li>Value, protect, enhance or restore the landscape quality of Herefordshire, including its rural areas and open spaces.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Protect or enhance habitats of international, national, regional or local importance.</li> <li>Protect international, national, regional or locally important terrestrial or aquatic species.</li> <li>Maintain wildlife corridors and</li> </ul>	Net change in condition of SSSIs across Herefordshire.	N/A
			minimise fragmentation of ecological areas and green spaces.	After use of mineral sites especially wildlife habitat creation.	Percentage of opportunities taken.

SEA Topic(s)	SEA Objective(s)	SA Objective(s)	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
			<ul> <li>Manage access to sites in a sustainable way that protects or enhances their nature conservation value.</li> <li>Create new appropriate habitats.</li> </ul>	Phosphate levels within the River Wye SAC and adjoining tributaries that receive increased phosphates from proportional growth.	N/A
			<ul> <li>Value, enhance and protect natural environmental assets including AONB's, historic landscapes, open spaces, parks and gardens and their settings</li> </ul>	Changes to protected habitats and impacts of species within the Herefordshire Local Biodiversity Action Plan.	To protect or enhance the habitats of species identified.  Zero net loss of habitats.
			<ul> <li>Encourage local stewardship of local environments, for example by promoting best practices in agricultural management.</li> <li>Ensure that environmental</li> </ul>	Changes in the areas of designated nature conservation sites as a consequence of planning permission.	To capitalise on opportunities to enhance the areas of value to nature conservation.
			<ul> <li>impacts caused by mineral operations and the transport of minerals are minimised.</li> <li>Promote the use of rural areas and open space by all, encourage easy non-car based access, and accommodate the needs of disabled users.</li> </ul>	Proportion of local sites where positive conservation management has or is being implemented.	The number of local sites under positive conservation management (Increase).

SEA Topic(s)	SEA Objective(s)	SA Objective(s)	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
	To reduce contributions to climate change     To reduce vulnerability to climate change	Reduce Herefordshire's vulnerability to the impacts of climate change as well as its contribution to the problem.		Number of decentralised energy schemes granted permission.  Total CO2 emissions per capita.	To contribute towards the national target.  To reduce the overall carbon emissions.

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SEA Topic(s)	SEA Objective(s)	SA Objective(s)	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
Cultural heritage	To conserve or enhance the historic environment, heritage assets and cultural heritage.	Value, protect or enhance the character and built quality of settlements and neighbourhoods and the county's heritage assets, historic environment and cultural	Preserve, protect and enhance Conservation Areas, Listed Buildings, archaeological remains, and other features and areas of historical heritage and cultural value e.g. locally listed buildings.	Number and percentage of listed buildings and Scheduled Ancient Monuments on Buildings at Risk Register (English Heritage).	To maintain or enhance current status in Shobdon.
		heritage.	<ul> <li>Prevent development which is inappropriate in scale, form or design to its setting or to its function or local area.</li> <li>Encourage development that creates and sustains well-designed, high quality built environments that incorporate green space, encourage biodiversity and promote local distinctiveness and sense of place.</li> <li>Encourage cleanliness and/or improve the general appearance of the area.</li> </ul>	The need for, frequency and outcomes of planning enforcement investigations/ planning appeals concerning the aspects of local loss of heritage assets, locally important buildings across the Parish and particularly within a conservation area.	N/A

SEA Topic(s)	SEA Objective(s)	SA Objective(s)	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
Material assets Landscape	<ul> <li>To conserve natural and man-made resources.</li> <li>To improve the quality of surroundings</li> <li>To maintain or enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes</li> </ul>	Use natural resources and energy more efficiently.      Minimise local and global pollution and protect or enhance environmental resources.	<ul> <li>Maximise energy efficiency and minimise the consumption of non-renewable energy i.e. from fossil fuels.</li> <li>Minimise the consumption of water, land, soil, minerals, aggregates and other raw materials by all? E.g. through integrated transport, sustainable resource-efficient design, local sourcing of food, goods, materials.</li> <li>Encourage the reuse/enhancement (to high standards of sustainable resource-efficient design) of existing buildings and minimise the need for new build.</li> <li>Encourage the use of clean technologies and water minimisation techniques.</li> </ul>	Maintaining Herefordshire Council's County Site and Monuments Register.  Monitoring changes to historic landscapes.  Agricultural land usage by quality	No specific targets identified, but need to ensure that the register is kept up to date.  No specific targets identified.  Measure the number of hectares of best and most versatile soil lost through development.

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SEA Topic(s)	SEA Objective(s)	SA Objective(s)	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
Population	To improve the health and well-being of the population.	Value, protect, enhance or restore the landscape quality of Herefordshire, including its rural areas and open spaces.	Value, enhance and protect natural environmental assets including AONB's, historic landscapes, open spaces, parks and gardens and their settings.	Number of developments meeting and surpassing national design  The need for,	No specific targets identified.
		and open opaces.	<ul> <li>Encourage local stewardship of local environments, for example by promoting best practices in agricultural management.</li> <li>Ensure that environmental impacts caused by mineral operations and the transport of minerals are minimised.</li> </ul>	frequency and outcomes of planning enforcement investigations/ planning appeals concerning the aspects of local loss of locally important buildings within a conservation area.	N/A
			Promote the use of rural areas and open space by all, encourage easy non-car based access, and accommodate the needs of disabled users.		

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SEA Topic(s)	SEA Objective(s)	SA Objective(s)	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
Soil	To conserve soil resources and quality	Minimise local and global pollution and protect or enhance environmental resources.	Minimise water, air, soil, groundwater, noise and light pollution from current activities and the potential for such pollution.	Percentage of all new development completed on previously developed land.	To increase the number of homes built on PDL in line with the provisions of national planning policy.
		Ensure integrated,	Provide opportunities to		
		efficient and balanced land use.	improve soil quality or reduce contaminated land.	Housing densities in urban and rural areas.	No specific targets identified.
			Ensure new developments are in appropriate locations, optimising the use of		
			previously developed land and buildings, primarily focussed on the urban areas and are accessible by walking, cycling or sustainable transport and/or will increase the share of these transport modes, thereby reducing the need to travel.	Amount of land identified as best or most versatile agricultural land lost to development.	No specific targets identified.

SEA Topic(s)	SEA Objective(s)	SA Objective(s)	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
Water	<ul> <li>To improve water quality</li> <li>To provide for sustainable sources of water supply</li> <li>To reduce, avoid and manage flood risk</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reduce the risk of flooding and the resulting detriment to public well-being, the economy and the environment.</li> <li>Minimise local and global pollution and protect or enhance environmental resources.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Reduce flood risk both presently and taking into account climate change.</li> <li>Prevent inappropriate development of the floodplain, and include flood protection systems.</li> <li>Include sustainable urban drainage systems where appropriate.</li> <li>Minimise water, air, soil, groundwater, noise and light pollution from current activities and the potential for such pollution.</li> <li>Protect and enhance the quality of watercourses.</li> </ul>	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency on flood defence grounds.  Percentage of river length assessed as good or very good chemical quality and ecological quality.	To ensure that rivers meet their conservation objectives and do not fall below the required standard of quality, as set out in the Water Framework Directive.

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# Appendix 3



#### WEST MIDLANDS REGION

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04 December 2014

Dear Sir or Madam

CONSULTATION ON SEA SCOPING REPORTS FOR NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANS IN: Almeley; Bishops Frome; Bishopstone Group; Brampton Abbots & Foy; Fownhope; Orleton & Richards Castle; Shobdon; Welsh Newton & Llanrothal Group; Weston under Penyard; Wigmore Group.

Thank you for your e-mail and the invitation to comment on the SEA Scoping Reports for the Neighbourhood Plans listed above. We have no substantive objection to the contents of the documents. However, having considered the above Neighbourhood Plans please note that overall our comments and recommendations to you in relation to these remain substantively the same as those which we communicated to you in our letter of the 15<sup>th</sup> August 2014 in response to the first tranche of SEA Scoping Reports. We urge you to refer back to and consider these representations before finalizing the reports in relation to the above Neighbourhood Plans also.

Specifically in relation to the sixth tranche of consultations we note that all of the SEA Scoping Reports appear to have anomalous references to SAM's, the Herefordshire SMR, monitoring changes to historic landscapes and historic landscape character assessments in relation to SA Objective 14 "Use natural resources and energy more effectively". Presumably this is unintentional? Is there some confusion as between the Herefordshire Sites and Monuments Register and the Herefordshire Environmental Records Register? Would these elements in fact be more relevant under SA Objectives 15 and 20?

Other than that we note the SEA Frameworks sections of the SEA's submitted are generally commendable in their approach of including references to historic landscape and townscape quality, the maintenance of the Herefordshire SMR and conservation and wherever possible enhancement of locally significant heritage assets.

I hope this is helpful.

Yours faithfully

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#### BY EMAIL ONLY

Dear Mr Latham

# Neighbourhood Plan Strategic Environmental Assessment Scoping and Habitat Regulations Assessment Screening for:

Almeley (136042)
Bishops Frome (136965)
Bishopstone Group (136967)
Brampton Abbotts & Foy (136970)
Fownhope (136972)
Orleton & Richards Castle (136975)
Shobdon (136978)
Welsh Newton & Llanrothal Group (136979)
Weston under Penyard (136982)
Wigmore Group (136984)

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated and received by Natural England on 30 October 2014.

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.

We welcome the production of this SEA Scoping report. With respect to the natural environment Natural England wishes to make the following comments which are intended to further improve the SEA and its usefulness in assessing the Neighbourhood Plan.

### Appendix A1 – Plans, policies and programmes

In addition to the plans, policies and programmes listed, we suggest that the following are relevant and should be added:

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- Natural Environment White Paper
- Biodiversity 2020

#### Wigmore Group

Shropshire Hills Management Plan 2014-2019

#### All that refer to:

Malvern Hills AONB Management Plan 2009- 2014, we advise referring to the more up to date Malvern Hills AONB Management Plan 2014 to 2018.

Wye Valley AONB Management Plan 2009-2014, we advise also referring to <u>Draft Wye Valley Management Plan 2014 -19</u>.

#### **Appendix A2 – Baseline information**

#### Biodiversity, flora and fauna

<u>Almeley</u>

Bishop's Frome

Shobdon

Under objective-13. "Value, maintain, restore or expand county biodiversity", proposed indicator"Net change to condition of SSSIs across Herefordshire", it is stated under Current Status that
"there are no SSSIs within the Neighbourhood area". Whilst this statement is correct, consideration
should be made of impacts to SSSIs outside the Neighbourhood Area which could be impacted by
Neighbourhood Area plan.

#### Fownhope

Under objective-13. "Value, maintain, restore or expand county biodiversity", proposed indicator"Net change to condition of SSSIs across Herefordshire" SSSI's within the parish boundaries are
listed. Consideration should be made of impacts to SSSIs (Woodshuts Wood and SSSI Scutterdine
Quarry SSSI) outside the Neighbourhood Area which could be impacted by Neighbourhood Area
plan.

#### Welsh Newton & Llanrothal Group

In the section on the current status of 13: "Phosphate levels within the River Wye SAC and adjoining tributaries that receive increased phosphates from proportional growth" there are no trends, targets, issues and constraints and baseline (information) source and would refer you to the other Neighbourhood Area Scoping Report we have been consulted on which do include these details.

#### All

Under the proposed indicator "Changes to protected habitats and impacts of species within the Herefordshire Local Biodiversity Action Plan", we advise an additional or at least the following baseline information source -Maps of priority habitats and species are available on *Magic*, Defra's GIS package for environmental assets (www.natureonthemap.naturalengland.org.uk). We note that some of the report refer to the Herefordshire Council AMR (2010/11) as a baseline information source- could this be applied to all of them?

#### Water, air, soil and material assets

This section (or suitable alternative) should include information on geodiversity. The baseline and assessment should make reference to geological conservation and the need to conserve, interpret and manage geological sites and features, both in the wider environment and in relation to designated features. The Herefordshire & Worcestershire Earth Heritage Trust may be of



assistance.

<u>Almeley</u>

Bishop's Frome

Bishopstone Group

**Fownhope** 

Shobdon

Weston under Penyard

In topic "Water, air, soil, material assets"- 18. Minimise local and global pollution and protect or enhance environmental resources, a distinction should be made between soil Grade 3a and 3b. The best and most versatile land is defined as Grades 1, 2 and 3a by policy guidance (see Annex 2 of NPPF).

### Appendix A3 – Environmental issues identified from the baseline

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Natural England welcomes the environmental issues identified.

#### Appendix A4 – SEA Framework

ΑII

Under topic "Nature Conservation"- "Value, maintain, restore or expand county biodiversity", we advise that any indicators chosen should allow for the monitoring of the effects of the plan on the objective concerned, and not the objective more generally. Thus, for example, condition of Sites of Special Scientific Interest is not a useful thing to monitor, but impacts of the plan on Sites of Special Scientific Interest might be.

Under the SEA topic "Landscape" reference could be made to the county Landscape Character Assessment and Landscape Characterisation studies including Historic Landscape Characterisation if this has been carried out.

Under SEA topic "material assets", there are no targets identified against the indicator "monitoring changes to the historic landscape". We suggest that the LPA could utilise Historic Landscape Characterisation studies and monitor the number of applications permitted despite a significant impact on the landscape having been identified.

Shobdon

Weston under Penyard)

We advise separating the topics Material assets and Landscape.

#### **Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening**

We would remind you of one of the basic conditions that a draft neighbourhood plan or Order must met, as set out in the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012, which states that 'The making of the neighbourhood development plan is not likely to have a significant effect on a European site'.

Almeley

Bishop's Frome

Bishopstone Group

<u>Fownhope</u>

We welcome this initial assessment and agree that a full screening exercise will be required to assess the impacts on the River Wye (including the River Lugg) Special Area of Conservation (SAC).

#### Welsh Newton & Llanrothal

We welcome this initial assessment and agree that a full screening exercise will be required to assess the impacts on the River Wye SAC and Wye Valleys Woodlands SAC



#### Brampton Abbotts and Foy

#### Weston under Penyard)

We welcome this initial assessment and agree that a full screening exercise will be required to assess the impacts on the River Wye (including the River Lugg) SAC, Wye Valley & Forest of Dean Bat Sites SAC and Wye Valleys Woodlands SAC.

#### Orleton & Richards Castle

Shobdon

#### Wigmore Group

We welcome this initial assessment and agree that a full screening exercise will be required to assess the impacts on the River Wye (including the River Lugg) Special Area of Conservation (SAC) and Downton Gorge SAC.

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 <u>only</u> please contact Gillian Driver on 0300 060 4335. For any new consultations, or to provide further information on this consultation please send your correspondences to <u>consultations@naturalengland.org.uk</u>.

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.

Yours sincerely

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# Appendix 4

Objectives verses SEA Objectives (SMART and Compatibility Test)				
SEA Stage B1	Key:	SMART criteria:		
+ =/++	Compatible/ Very comp	S - Specific:	NDP objectives should specify what is intended to be done in detail and should not be open to a wide range of misinterpretations	
-=	Possible conflict	M – Measurable:	It should be possible to monitor NDP objectives in a quantifiable way, by the use of indicators. Indicators should be measurable with limited resource implications.	The following matrix appraises the emerging Shobdon NDP Objectives in terms of their SMART criteria and their compatibility with
0 =	Neutral	A – Attainable/achievable:	NDP objectives should be achievable and deliverable, related to the scale of growth proposed	the SEA Objectives. These have been developed from Government guidance on
X =	No relationship between objectives	R – Realistic:	NDP objectives should relate to the overall vision of the plan. Likewise, chosen indicators should relate to objectives and their outcomes.	SEA and from the local evidence base gathered for identifying the NDP issues.
?=	Unclear, more information needed	T – Time-Bound:	Objectives should be specific to the NDP period or another specified time-frame. Objectives should be associated with a target and indicators should specify when the target should be achieved.	

## **SEA Objectives**

- 1- To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)
- 2- To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes
- 3- To improve quality of surroundings
- 4- To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and culture heritage
- 5- To improve air quality
- 6- To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment
- 7- To reduce contributions to climate change
- 8- To reduce vulnerability to climate change
- 9- To improve water quality
- 10- To provide for sustainable sources of water supply
- 11- To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk
- 12- To conserve soil resources and quality
- 13- To minimise the production of waste
- 14- To improve health of the population
- 15- To reduce crime and nuisance
- 16- To conserve natural and manmade resources

NDP objectives							SI	EA O	bjectiv	ves										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Conclusions	Recommendations	SMART Test of NDP objective	After SMART objectives
Objective 1 – Address traffic issues through the parish	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	X	X	X	X	+	+	+	+	Overall this objective has a positive impact upon the SEA objectives.	Any policy will need to ensure that it is not just limited to speed limits as this will not be a planning matter	This objective meets all of the SMART criteria.	
Objective 2 – provide a range and choice of affordable new homes to meet the needs of all sections of the community	?	+	+	+	0	-	?	×	?	X	X	?	?	X	X	?	Overall this objective has a positive impact upon the SEA objectives however there are some unknown factors which cannot be determined until the location of the new housing has been identified	Ensure that the site assessments for allocation of housing sites take into consideration the environmental impact.	This objective meets all of the SMART criteria.	
Objective 3 – maintain a thriving local economy, by ensuring employment and enterprise opportunities are available.	?	+	?	+	X	?	?	?	x	X	?	?	?	X	X	?	Further details are required with regards to the type of business and location. Policy safeguards exist within both the Core Strategy and neighbourhood plan to mitigate any impacts upon the environment.	Many of these objectives could be positive if the business were kept local thereby reducing traffic, and had policy safeguards to ensure no adverse impact upon the environment.	This objective meets all of the SMART criteria. This objective is specific and measurable via the Authority Monitoring Report (AMR). It will be attainable, achievable and realistic.	
Objective 4 – Support the provision of improved infrastructure	?	+	+	?	X	?	?	X	X	X	?	+	?	+	+	?	This objective has a fairly positive impact upon the SEA objectives however there are some unknown factors such as location for any new facilities and also the potential increase in traffic to the community facilities.	This objective will need to ensure any policy relating to it includes mitigation methods for any new development of community facilities	This objective meets all of the SMART criteria.	
Objective 5 – Maintain and enhance existing community, sports, recreational and social facilities whilst encouraging development of new facilities	X	+	+	+	X	?	X	X	X	X	?	X	?	+	+	+	This objective does not have a direct relationship with many of the SEA objectives, but the objectives that there is a relationship are compatible.		This objective meets the SMART criteria. This objective is specific and measurable via the Authority Monitoring Report (AMR). It will be attainable, achievable and realistic.	
Objective 6 – protect and maintain the natural and historic environment	+	+	+	+	?	?	?	?	X	X	?	+	X	?	?	+	This objective is generally compatible with the SEA objectives. Policy safeguards exist within both the Core Strategy and neighbourhood plan to mitigate any impacts upon the environment.		This objective meets the SMART criteria	

Objectives verses SEA Objectives (SMART and Compatibility Test)				
SEA Stage B1	Key:	SMART criteria:		
+ =/++	Compatible/very comp	S - Specific:	NDP objectives should specify what is intended to be done in detail and should not be open to a wide range of misinterpretations	The following matrix appraises the emerging Shobdon NDP Objectives
-=	Possible conflict	M – Measurable:	It should be possible to monitor NDP objectives in a quantifiable way, by the use of indicators. Indicators should be measurable with limited resource implications.	in terms of their SMART criteria and their compatibility with the SEA
0 =	Neutral	A – Attainable/achievable:	NDP objectives should be achievable and deliverable, related to the scale of growth proposed	Objectives. These have been developed from Government
X =	No relationship between objectives	R – Realistic:	NDP objectives should relate to the overall vision of the plan. Likewise, chosen indicators should relate to objectives and their outcomes.	guidance on SEA and from the local evidence base gathered for
?=	Unclear, more information needed	T – Time-Bound:	Objectives should be specific to the NDP period or another specified time-frame. Objectives should be associated with a target and indicators should specify when the target should be achieved.	identifying the NDP issues.

#### **SEA Objectives**

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#### Baseline carried over from Stage A

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NDP							SE	A ob	jectiv	/es									
Options	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Summary in relation to baseline	Overall commentary and any initial cumulative effects/ Recommendations	Conformity with Core Strategy
Baseline	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	NA	NA	NA	13			
Not to undertake NDP but rely on Core Strategy policies	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x				x	Do nothing option is essentially not to produce a neighbourhood plan and rely on the criteria policies within the Core Strategy to guide further development. Specific policies and proposals for the parishes would not exist.	All developments would need to be in conformity with the Core Strategy. The Core Strategy has been subject to a Sustainability Appraisal and policies met the SEA objectives.	n/a
Do a NDP	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				+	Prepare a NDP allows for certainty for the Parish, and ensures that local policies are in place to guide development.	All policies within the NDP would need to be in general conformity with the national policies and the Local Plan.	This option would meet the requirements of the Core Strategy in terms of SEA.
Allocate one large housing site	+	+	+	+	+	?	?	+	+	+	?	+				+	This option would give certainty as it would be one area defined for development, and would allow for any environmental concerns to be alleviated through the site allocation and policy wording. However it could also provide more impact upon the environment as it would be a larger site and could impact more on the surroundings.	Ensure that environmental impacts are kept to a minimum through site assessment and policy wording, also the policy wording needs to safeguard the character and setting of the area is kept.	This option would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Allocate several smaller housing sites	+	+	+	+	+	?	?	?	+	?	+	+				+	Utilising small groups of houses allows the character of the area to remain, but it also ensures through policy that additional environmental benefits can be met. The policy wording can ensure that the quality of the landscape and surroundings remain.	This option would be able to meet the housing requirements in the Core Strategy as it will allow greater capacity, any environmental concerns can be dealt with on a case by case basis.	This option would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.

Objectives verses SEA Objectives (SMART and Compatibility Test)				
SEA Stage B1	Key:	SMART criteria:		
+ =/++	Compatible/very comp	S - Specific:	NDP objectives should specify what is intended to be done in detail and should not be open to a wide range of misinterpretations	The following matrix appraises the emerging Shobdon NDP Objectives
-=	Possible conflict	M – Measurable:	It should be possible to monitor NDP objectives in a quantifiable way, by the use of indicators. Indicators should be measurable with limited resource implications.	in terms of their SMART criteria and their compatibility with the SEA
0 =	Neutral	A – Attainable/achievable:	NDP objectives should be achievable and deliverable, related to the scale of growth proposed	Objectives. These have been developed from Government
X =	No relationship between objectives	R – Realistic:	NDP objectives should relate to the overall vision of the plan. Likewise, chosen indicators should relate to objectives and their outcomes.	guidance on SEA and from the local evidence base gathered for
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Policy S1: Promoting a sustainable community	+	+	+	+	x	?	+	+	+	+	+	+	x	X	x	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, and seeks to mitigate against the effects of housing development on the environment and local area, and will look to achieve measures to reduce traffic impact.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy for sustainable communities.	Overall this policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
Policy S2: Development Strategy	+	+	?	?	0	?	?	X	x	x	0	?	x	x	x	?	This policy has a mixed effect on the baseline but this is due to the unknown factors of where the housing is likely to go. Other policies within the NDP cover the detail of housing requirements and mitigate against this policy.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in relation to the settlement boundaries and housing development within policy RA2.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S3: Highways & transport infrastructure	?	+	+	+	+	++	+	X	X	X	x	x	x	x	x	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy for transportation.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S4: Meeting Housing needs within Shobdon village	+	+	?	+	0	?	?	x	x	X	0	?	x	x	x	?	This policy has a mixed effect on the baseline but this is due to the unknown factors of where the housing is likely to go. Other policies within the NDP cover the detail of housing requirements and mitigate against this policy.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in relation to the settlement boundaries and housing development within policy RA2.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S5: Phasing of development	+	+	?	?	x	?	x	x	x	x	+	?	x	x	x	+	This policy would help to introduce the development at a gradual scale throughout the plan period thereby maintaining the character of the area. However there will be still some unknown factors due to location of development.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in relation to delivery of housing	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA
Policy S6: Provision of affordable housing	+	+	?	?	0	?	?	x	x	x	0	?	x	x	x	?	This policy has a mixed effect on the baseline but this is due to the unknown factors of where the housing is likely to go. Other policies within the NDP cover the detail of housing requirements and mitigate against this policy.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in relation to affordable housing.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S7: Design Criteria for residential development	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	?	+	+	x	x	x	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, and seeks to mitigate against the effects of housing development on the environment.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy for housing proposals.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S8: Supporting local business	+	+	+	+	?	?	x	x	?	?	?	?	x	x	x	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline. Reusing redundant buildings for employment use will help the baseline. Encouraging tourism could increase traffic into the parish therefore this is an unknown	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.

																	factor on the baseline.	
Policy S9: Renewable and low carbon energy	+	+	+	+	+	+	++	++	0	x	+	+	x	X	X	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, this policy will help to follow the trends and reach targets set in the baseline.  Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy.  This policy meet the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy.  Strategy requirements of the second strategy.	Core ents in
Policy S10: Surface and foul water drainage	+	+	+	+	X	X	+	+	+	X	+	+	x	X	x	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, and seeks to mitigate against the effects of housing development on the environment, particularly in relation to surface water flooding.  Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy for safeguarding against surface water flooding  Strategy requirements the purpositive and the requirements in the Core Strategy for safeguarding against surface water flooding the purpositive and the requirements in the Core Strategy for safeguarding against surface water flooding the purpositive and the requirements in the Core Strategy for safeguarding against surface water flooding the purpositive and the requirements in the Core Strategy for safeguarding against surface water flooding the purpositive and the requirements in the Core Strategy for safeguarding against surface water flooding the purpositive and the requirements in the Core Strategy for safeguarding against surface water flooding the purpositive and the requirements in the Core Strategy for safeguarding against surface water flooding the purpositive and the requirements in the Core Strategy for safeguarding against surface water flooding the purpositive and the requirements in the Core Strategy for safeguarding against surface water flooding the purpositive and the requirements in the Core Strategy for safeguarding against surface water flooding the purpositive and the purpositive and the requirements in the Core Strategy for safeguarding against surface water flooding the purpositive and the p	e Core ents for
Policy S11: Accessibility to community facilities	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	x	?	+	x	x	x	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, and seeks to mitigate against the effects of any new community development would have on the environment.  Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy.  Strategy requirements of the core strategy.	Core ents in
Policy S12: Broadband infrastructure	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	0	0	0	+	x	X	x	+	Overall this policy has mainly a neutral impact on the baseline data.  Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in supporting broadband infrastructure.  This policy meet the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in supporting broadband infrastructure.  Strategy requirements of the supporting broadband infrastructure.	Core ents in
Policy S13: Protection and provision of open space	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	x	+	+	+	x	X	x	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, retaining the character of the area and ensuring a valued open space is protected.  Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy.  This policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy.  Strategy requirements of the second strategy.	Core ents in
Policy S14: Retaining the natural environment and landscape	+	+	+	+	0	0	X	X	?	X	+	+	X	X	X	+	Overall this policy has a positive impact upon the baseline as the policy seeks to have regard to environmental constraints.  Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy regarding landscape and the environment.  Strategy requirements of the core of th	Core ents in
Policy S15: Protecting local heritage	+	+	+	+	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	+	X	X	X	+	Overall this policy has a positive impact upon the baseline as the policy seeks to have regard to environmental and heritage within the Parish.  Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy regarding heritage assets.  This policy meet the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy regarding heritage assets.	Core ents in
5 small scale housing sites identified within the settlement boundary	+	?	?	+	?	?	?	X	X	X	+	?	+	X	x	+	Overall these sites are within the settlement boundary and therefore close to facilities and public transport routes. However there are still some unknown factors such as design of development, energy efficient etc. however there are policy safeguards within this NDP and the Core strategy  Overall these sites meet the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy regarding housing delivery  Strategy requirements of the settlement that the requirements in the Core Strategy regarding housing delivery	Core ents in

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# Key:

++ Move	+ Move towards	Move away	- Move away	0 Neutral	? Uncertain	N/A No
towards	Marginally	significantly	marginally			relationship
significantly						

Policy S1: Promoting a sustainable community

SEA Objective	cumulative e	nt of effect (conseffects, significant nagnitude of the three time period	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.	
To improve quality of	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above	

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surroundings				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.
To improve air quality	Х	Х	х	n/a
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.
To improve water	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA

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quality				objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.
To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	Х	х	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	Х	х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote

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resources			sustainable development through the plan period.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	-	development thi	Strategy in terms of SEA objective period. Policy safeguards exist to e	-

Policy S2: Development Strategy

Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities	
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet	

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townscapes				the housing requirements set out
				in the Core Strategy.
To improve quality of				This Policy is not over and above
surroundings				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
	?	?	+	objectives and will seek to meet
				the housing requirements set out
				in the Core Strategy.
To conserve and where				This Policy is not over and above
appropriate enhance				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
the historic	?	?	?	objectives and will seek to meet
environment and				the housing requirements set out
cultural heritage				in the Core Strategy.
To improve air quality				This Policy is not over and above
				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
	0	0	0	objectives and will seek to meet
				the housing requirements set out
				in the Core Strategy.
To reduce the effect of				This Policy is not over and above
traffic on the				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
environment	?	?	?	objectives and will seek to meet
				the housing requirements set out
				in the Core Strategy.
To reduce contributions	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above
to climate change	· ·	<b>!</b>	f	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA

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				objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	x	х	n/a

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To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.				

Policy S3: Highways and Transport infrastructure

SEA Objective	cumulative effect and r	nt of effect (cor effects, significa magnitude of the e three time perion	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish
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				the Parish
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	х	х	Х	n/a
To conserve soil resources and quality	Х	Х	х	n/a

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To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	х	n/a	
To improve health of the population	х	Х	х	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	_	not over and abo		ategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will s	eek to address traffic

Policy S4: Meeting housing needs within Shobdon village

SEA Objective	cumulative effect and r	nt of effect (cor effects, signification magnitude of the ethree time peri	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
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		years)		
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To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To improve quality of surroundings	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above

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environment				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce contributions to climate change	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	х	n/a

# B3: Predict and evaluate the effects of the policies and sites within the Neighbourhood Development Plan

Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	-	not over and abo Is of the parish.	ve the Core Stra	tegy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the
To conserve natural and manmade resources	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a

Policy S5: Phasing of development

SEA Objective  Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area
To improve quality of surroundings	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area
To improve air quality	Х	Х	Х	n/a
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the

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				area
To reduce contributions to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	х	n/a
To improve health of	X	X	Х	n/a

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the population				
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	,	not over and aboracter of the area		tegy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to

Policy S6: Provision of affordable housing

SEA Objective	cumulative effect and r	nt of effect (cor effects, significa magnitude of the e three time peri	ence of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.
To improve quality of surroundings	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing

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				affordable housing provision.
To reduce contributions to climate change	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	х	n/a
To improve health of	Х	X	X	n/a

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the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	Х	Х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.				

Policy S7: Design criteria for residential development

SEA Objective	cumulative effect and r	nt of effect (con effects, significa magnitude of the e three time perio	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the

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				effect of development
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the

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				effect of development	
To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	х	n/a	
To improve health of the population	х	х	x	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	Х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is development		ve the Core St	rategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate a	against the effect of

Policy S8: Supporting local business

SEA Objective	cumulative of effect and m	nt of effect (con effects, significa nagnitude of the three time perio	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)         Medium term (11 years +)           (6 – 10)				

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		years)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To improve air quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To reduce the effect of traffic on the	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above

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environment				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses
				within the parish
To reduce contributions to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish

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To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	Х	n/a	
To improve health of the population	х	Х	х	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is the parish.	not over and abo	ve the Core Stra	tegy in terms of SEA and will help to s	upport businesses within

Policy S9: Renewable an low carbon energy

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of

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				development.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To reduce contributions to climate change	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To improve water quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a

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To avoid, reduce and				This Policy is not over and above
manage flood risk				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
	+	+	+	and will help to provide mitigation
				against any effects of
				development.
To conserve soil				This Policy is not over and above
resources and quality				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
	+	+	+	and will help to provide mitigation
				against any effects of
				development.
				·
To minimise the	x	x	x	n/a
production of waste				
To improve health of	x	X	x	n/a
the population				
To reduce crime and				n/a
nuisance	Х	X	Х	
To conserve natural				This Policy is not over and above
and manmade				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
resources	+	+	+	and will help to provide mitigation
				against any effects of
				development.
Overall commentary	This Policy is	not over and abo	ve the Core Str	ategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against
and any cumulative	-	f development.		acco, terms of our tand this help to provide mitigation against
effects	any chects o	i developinent.		

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Policy S10: Surface and foul water drainage

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.	
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.	
To conserve and where appropriate enhance	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA	

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the historic environment and cultural heritage				and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To improve air quality	Х	Х	Х	n/a
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	х	х	х	n/a
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA

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Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is water flooding		l ve the Core Str	ategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a
To minimise the production of waste	x	X	X	n/a
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
manage flood risk				and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.

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Policy S11: Accessibility to community facilities

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.	
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.	
To conserve and where appropriate enhance	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA	

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the historic environment and cultural heritage				and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To improve water quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.

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Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	•	not over and abo	ve the Core Stra	ategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a
To improve health of the population	x	Х	х	n/a
To minimise the	х	Х	х	n/a
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a

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Policy S12: Broadband infrastructure

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA	
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA	
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA	

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environment and cultural heritage				
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To improve water quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	Х	n/a

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To improve health of the population	х	X	х	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is for broadban		ve the Core Stra	tegy in terms of SEA and will help to supply the	infrastructure

Policy S13: Protection and provision of open space

SEA Objective	cumulative of effect and m	nt of effect (con effects, significal nagnitude of the three time perio	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional

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				areas of open space
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	Х	n/a

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To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space				

Policy S14: Retaining the natural environment

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.
To improve quality of surroundings	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development

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				on the Parish.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.
To reduce contributions to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.

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To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.	
To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	х	n/a	
To improve health of the population	х	Х	х	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	Х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.				

Policy S15: Protecting local heritage

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and
	cumulative effects, significance of the		mitigation
	effect and magnitude of the effect in		

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	terms of the	three time perio	ods)		opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment	
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment	
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment	

## B3: Predict and evaluate the effects of the policies and sites within the Neighbourhood Development Plan

To improve air quality	Х	Х	Х	n/a	
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	х	X	х	n/a	
To reduce contributions to climate change	х	Х	х	n/a	
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	Х	х	n/a	
To improve water quality	х	Х	х	n/a	
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a	
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	х	Х	х	n/a	
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment	
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	х	n/a	
To improve health of the population	х	Х	х	n/a	

## B3: Predict and evaluate the effects of the policies and sites within the Neighbourhood Development Plan

To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment.				

# Key:

+ + Move	+ Move towards	Move away	- Move away	0 Neutral	? Uncertain	X No
towards	marginally	Significantly	marginally			relationship
significantly						

SEA Objective Objective / Policy	1. To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	2. To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	3. To improve quality of surroundings	4. To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and culture heritage	5. To improve air quality	6. To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	7. To reduce contributions to climate change	8. To reduce vulnerability to climate change	9. To improve water quality	10. To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	11. To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	12. To conserve soil resources and quality	13. To minimise the production	14. To improve health of the population	15. To reduce crime and nuisance	16. To conserve natural and manmade resources
Objective 1 – Address traffic issues through the parish	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	x	x	x	x	x	+	+	+	+
Objective 2 – provide a range and choice of affordable new homes to meet the needs of all sections of the community	?	+	+	+	0	-	?	x	?	x	x	?	?	x	x	?
Objective 3 – maintain a thriving local economy, by ensuring employment and enterprise opportunities are available.	?	+	?	+	x	?	?	?	x	x	?	?	?	x	x	?
Objective 4 – Support the provision of improved infrastructure	?	+	+	?	x	?	?	x	x	x	?	+	?	+	+	?

Objective 5 – Maintain and enhance existing community, sports, recreational and social facilities whilst encouraging development of new facilities	X	+	+	+	x	?	x	x	x	x	?	x	?	+	+	+
Objective 6 – protect and maintain the natural and historic environment	+	+	+	+	?	?	?	?	x	x	?	+	x	?	?	+
Policy S1: Promoting a sustainable community	+	+	+	+	x	?	+	+	+	+	+	+	x	x	x	+
Policy S2: Development Strategy	+	+	?	?	0	?	?	x	x	x	0	?	x	x	x	?
Policy S3: Highways & transport infrastructure	?	+	+	+	+	++	+	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	+
Policy S4: Meeting Housing needs within Shobdon village	+	+	?	+	0	?	?	x	x	x	0	?	x	x	x	?
Policy S5: Phasing of development	+	+	?	?	х	?	x	x	х	x	+	?	x	x	x	+
Policy S6: Provision of affordable housing	+	+	?	?	0	?	?	x	x	x	0	?	x	x	x	?
Policy S7: Design Criteria for residential	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	?	+	+	x	x	x	+

development																
Policy S8: Supporting local business	+	+	+	+	?	?	х	x	?	?	?	?	x	x	X	+
Policy S9: Renewable and low carbon energy	+	+	+	+	+	+	++	++	0	x	+	+	x	x	x	+
Policy S10: Surface and foul water drainage	+	+	+	+	x	x	+	+	+	x	+	+	x	x	x	+
Policy S11: Accessibility to community facilities	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	x	?	+	x	x	x	+
Policy S12: Broadband infrastructure	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	0	0	0	+	x	x	x	+
Policy S13: Protection and provision of open space	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	x	x	+	+	+	x	x	x	+
Policy S14: Retaining the natural environment and landscape	++	++	++	+	0	0	х	x	?	x	+	+	x	x	x	+
Policy S15: Protecting local heritage	++	++	+	++	x	x	х	x	x	x	x	+	x	x	x	+
Housing Site I  – Land to the north of Moor Meadow	+	?	?	+	?	?	?	x	x	x	+	?	+	x	x	+
Housing Site ii – Land to the south of bar meadow	+	?	?	+	?	?	?	x	x	x	+	?	+	x	x	+
Housing Site iii – Land to the east of Shobdon Primary school	+	?	?	+	?	?	?	x	x	x	+	?	+	x	x	+
Housing Site iv – Land at	+	?	?	+	?	?	?	X	X	X	+	?	+	x	х	+

the north-west end of The Grove																	
Housing Site v – Land to the rear of CALVI, Canterbury road	+	?	?	+	?	?	?	x	х	x	+	?	+		x	x	+
Summary of effects of whole plan on each SEA Objective	+ On balance the plan aiming to converse and enhance the natural environment.	On balance the plan aims to protect and enhance the environment around Shobdon parish and the setting and character of the village	The plan aims improve the quality of the surroundings and encourage additional facilities	The plan aims to protect and enhance the environment around Shobdon and the setting and character of the village	The Plan's objectives and policies do not specifically detail reducing the need to travel and therefore this could be strengthened to improve air quality.	The Plan's objectives and policies do not specifically detail reducing the need to travel and therefore this could be strengthened to improve air quality.	+ Policies include provisions to reduce the contributions to climate change such as design and renewable energy.	+ Policies are included to reduce the risks of flooding.	Policies are in conformity with the requirements of the Core Strategy.	Policies are in conformity with the requirements of the Core Strategy.	+ Policies are included to reduce the risks of flooding.	+ Policies aim to conform to the locational policies within the Core Strategy.	X	X		X	+ Policies exist to conserve or reuse existing resources.
Cumulative effects of whole plan (1 + 2 + 3) Commentary for significant cumulative effects	safeguards to e	ensure that the ef	fects on environn	nental assets can	-	itigated against. N	lone of the policie		e. Policies have be d above those alre	-		-	ore Strate	egy object	ives and	contain m	any policy

# Appendix 5

#### **Shobdon NDP options**

In deciding to prepare a Neighbourhood Plan the Parish Council was aware of the alternatives which were:

i) Not to prepare a plan but rely upon Herefordshire Core Strategy which would allow developers to bring forward sites in Shobdon as they see fit in order to meet and potentially exceed the target for new housing set for the parish.

ii) The Parish Council to support the establishment of a local Steering Group to prepare a neighbourhood plan where the local community could be involved. Do a NDP

#### **Housing site options**

Allocate one large site

Allocate a number of smaller sites

# Appendix 6

Consultation date: 8 February to 21 March 2016

Consultation title: Environmental Report - Shobdon Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 14

N.B. This consultation feedback is **only** for comments received on the SEA of the draft Neighbourhood Development Plan (March 2016)

Consultee	Summary of Comments	Response to Comments
Natural England	Confirms that it meets the requirements of the Strategic Environmental Assessment, European Directive and national regulations and that concur with its conclusions	noted
English Heritage / Heritage England	No comments received	n/a
Environment Agency	No comments received specifically to the SEA	n/a
Natural Resources Wales	No comments received	n/a

# Appendix 7

Objectives verses SEA Objectives (SMART and Compatibility Test)				
SEA Stage B1	Key:	SMART criteria:		
+ =/++	Compatible/very comp	S - Specific:	NDP objectives should specify what is intended to be done in detail and should not be open to a wide range of misinterpretations	The following matrix appraises the emerging Shobdon NDP Objectives
-=	Possible conflict	M – Measurable:	It should be possible to monitor NDP objectives in a quantifiable way, by the use of indicators. Indicators should be measurable with limited resource implications.	in terms of their SMART criteria and their compatibility with the SEA
0 =	Neutral	A – Attainable/achievable:	NDP objectives should be achievable and deliverable, related to the scale of growth proposed	Objectives. These have been developed from Government
X =	No relationship between objectives	R – Realistic:	NDP objectives should relate to the overall vision of the plan. Likewise, chosen indicators should relate to objectives and their outcomes.	guidance on SEA and from the local evidence base gathered for
?=	Unclear, more information needed	T – Time-Bound:	Objectives should be specific to the NDP period or another specified time-frame. Objectives should be associated with a target and indicators should specify when the target should be achieved.	identifying the NDP issues.

NDP Policies							SE	EA ob	ojectiv	/es									
r olicies	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Summary in relation to baseline	Overall commentary and any initial cumulative effects/ Recommendations	Conformity with Core Strategy
Baseline	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	NA	NA	NA	13			
Policy S2 Change: amendment to criteria ii	+	+	+	?	0	+	?	x	x	x	0	?				?	This policy has a mixed effect on the baseline but this is due to the unknown factors of where the housing is likely to go. Other policies within the NDP cover the detail of housing requirements and mitigate against this policy.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in relation to the settlement boundaries and housing development within policy RA2 and RA3.	This policy change is in conformity with Policy RA2/RA3 of the Core Strategy.
Policy S3: Change: New criteria regarding active travel	?	+	+	+	+	++	+	x	x	x	x	x				+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy for transportation, additional changes have ensures that all aspects of active travel have been included.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S4:  Change: increase clarity by included sites and additional criteria regarding contamination	+	+	+	+	0	+	?	+	+	x	+	+				+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline. The policy has now indicated the locations of the housing growth within the settlement boundary of Shobdon.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in relation to the settlement boundaries and housing development within policy RA2. Additional certainty have been provided by the inclusion of sites within the policy.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Land to north of Moor Meadow	?	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				+	This site is subject to a current planning application for 7 dwellings (162764/O).  The details of the application will be considered within this process. Connection to	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in

															the main sewerage system will be important to ensure water quality issues against the baseline.		terms of the SEA
Land to south of Bar Meadow															1	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy
	?	+	+	+	+	?	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	The details of any scheme will be considered within the planning application process. Connection to the main sewerage system will be important to ensure water quality issues against the baseline.		requirements in terms of the SEA
Land to the north west																Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the
end of The Grove	?	+	?	+	+	?	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	The details of any scheme will be considered within the planning application process.	requirements of the core offategy.	Core Strategy requirements in
	•		•	·	•	•		•	•	·	•			•	Connection to the main sewerage system will be important to ensure water quality issues against the baseline.		terms of the SEA
Land to the rear of CALVI,															, , ,	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the
Canterbury	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		+		requirements of the core offategy.	Core Strategy
																	requirements in terms of the SEA
Land to the west of the Paddocks															having low /minor constraints. Therefore are some concerns regarding the presence of a number of trees and the impact this could	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in
	?	?	?	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	have on biodiversity and the landscape.  The details of any scheme will be considered within any future planning application process.		terms of the SEA
															Connection to the main sewerage system will be important to ensure water quality issues against the baseline.		
Policy S5:																Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in relation	This policy would meet the Core
Change: the clarify monitoring of development strategy	+	+	+	x	x	+	x	x	+	+	+	+		+		to delivery of housing	Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA
Policy S7:																Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy for housing	This policy would meet the Core
Change: additional criteria regarding landscape and biodiversity	++	++	++	+	+	+	++	+	+	?	+	+		+	1	proposals.	Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
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Policy S10: Change: policy redrafted	++	+	++	+	x	x	++	+	++	x	+	+	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, and seeks to mitigate against the effects of housing development on the environment, particularly in relation to surface water flooding and sewerage treatment.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy for safeguarding against surface water flooding	Overall this policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
Policy S11: Change:	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	x	?	+	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, and seeks to mitigate against the effects of any new community development would have on the environment.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S13:  Change: inclusion of Local Green Space	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	x	x	+	+	+	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, retaining the character of the area and ensuring a valued open space is protected.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S15: Change: Include reference to historic farmstead and other historic assets	++	++	+	++	x	x	X	x	x	X	x	+	+	Overall this policy has a positive impact upon the baseline as the policy seeks to have regard to environmental and heritage within the Parish.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy regarding heritage assets.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Option but not included  Land to the south of New Cottages	?	-	-	-	+	?	?	+	+	+	+	+	+	This area was included within the SHLAA and assessed as land with significant constraints. There are concerns regarding character of the village from the east and the impact on the Historic Park and Garden. More appropriate sites have been considered.	This area would have a mixed impact on the SEA baseline. Other sites have been considered within the settlement boundary and to the west of the village.	More details would be required to determine a effects on the SEA baseline
Land to the east of Shobdon Primary School	?	+	+	+	+	?	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	This area was not included within SHLAA.  The details of any scheme will be considered within the planning application process.  Connection to the main sewerage system will be important to ensure water quality issues against the baseline.	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA

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## Key:

++	Move	+ Move towards	Move away	- Move away	0 Neutral	? Uncertain	N/A No
	towards	Marginally	significantly	marginally			relationship
	significantly						

Policy S2: Development Strategy

Change: amendment to criteria ii

SEA Objective	cumulative e	nt of effect (con effects, significal nagnitude of the three time perio	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities	
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet	

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townscapes				the housing requirements set out
·				in the Core Strategy.
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To improve quality of				This Policy is not over and above
surroundings				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
	?	?	+	objectives and will seek to meet
				the housing requirements set out
				in the Core Strategy.
To conserve and where				This Policy is not over and above
appropriate enhance				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
the historic	?	?	?	objectives and will seek to meet
environment and			-	the housing requirements set out
cultural heritage				in the Core Strategy.
				,
To improve air quality				This Policy is not over and above
				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
	0	0	0	objectives and will seek to meet
				the housing requirements set out
				in the Core Strategy.
To reduce the effect of				This Policy is not over and above
traffic on the				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
environment	?	+	+	objectives and will seek to meet
				the housing requirements set out
				in the Core Strategy.
To reduce contributions	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above
to climate change				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA

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				objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	Х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a

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To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a				
To conserve natural and manmade resources	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.				
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.							

Policy S3: Highways and Transport infrastructure

Change: new criteria regarding active travel

SEA Objective	cumulative effect and r	nt of effect (con effects, significa nagnitude of the e three time perio	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives.
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish

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To reduce the effect of				This Policy is not over and above
traffic on the				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
environment	+	+	++	objectives, and will seek to address
				traffic and highway issues within
				the Parish
To reduce contributions				This Policy is not over and above
to climate change				the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
	+	+	+	objectives, and will seek to address
				traffic and highway issues within
				the Parish
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	Х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for				n/a
sustainable sources of water supply	Х	X	х	
To avoid, reduce and	x	х	x	n/a
manage flood risk				
To conserve soil				n/a
resources and quality	X	Х	X	
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	Х	n/a

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To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish. The addition of active travel will help to reduce the need to travel by private car.				

Policy S4: Meeting housing needs within Shobdon village

Change: Increase in clarity by including sites and additional criteria regarding contamination

SEA Objective	cumulative effect and r	nt of effect (cor effects, significa magnitude of the e three time peri	ance of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To improve quality of surroundings	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet

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				the besides and of the society
				the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce contributions to climate change	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To minimise the production of waste	х	X	х	n/a
To improve health of	х	Х	х	n/a

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the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	X	Х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish, reference to sites has now been included within the policy.				

#### Land to north of Moor Meadow

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	?	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce contributions	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA

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to climate change				objectives
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To minimise the production of waste				
To improve health of the population				
To reduce crime and nuisance				

## D3: Reassessment of the effects of the policies and sites within the Submission Neighbourhood Development Plan

To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	1	not over and abo oplication (162764		tegy in terms of SEA objectives. This si	te is currently subject to

#### Land to south of Bar Meadow

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 –	Medium term	Long term (11 years +)		
	5 years)	(6 – 10 years)	,		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	?	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA	

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townscapes				objectives
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA

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				objectives
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To minimise the production of waste To improve health of the population				
To reduce crime and nuisance				
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	-	not over and abo		itegy in terms of SEA objectives. This area was indicated within

D3: Reassessment of the effects of the policies and sites within the Submission Neighbourhood Development Plan Land to the north-west end of The Grove

SEA Objective	cumulative e	nt of effect (con effects, significal nagnitude of the three time perio	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	

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environment and				
cultural heritage				
T- in				TI. 5 II
To improve air quality	_			This Policy is not over and above
	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
				objectives
To reduce the effect of				This Policy is not over and above
traffic on the	?	?	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
environment				objectives
To reduce contributions				This Policy is not over and above
to climate change	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
				objectives
To reduce vulnershility				This Deliania and array and above
To reduce vulnerability				This Policy is not over and above
to climate change	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
				objectives
To improve water				This Policy is not over and above
quality	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
				objectives
To provide for				This Policy is not over and above
sustainable sources of	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
water supply				objectives
To avoid, reduce and				This Policy is not over and above
manage flood risk	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
				objectives

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To conserve soil				This Policy is not over and above	
resources and quality	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA	
				objectives	
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of					
the population					
To reduce crime and					
nuisance					
To conserve natural				This Policy is not over and above	
and manmade	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA	
resources				objectives	
Overall commentary	This Policy is	not over and abo	ve the Core Stra	tegy in terms of SEA objectives.	
and any cumulative					
effects					

## Land to the rear of CALVI, Canterbury Road

SEA Objective	cumulative effect and r	nt of effect (c effects, signifi nagnitude of the three time pe	cance of the he effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 –	Medium term	Long term (11 years +)		

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	5 years)	(6 – 10 years)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This site now has planning permission for 4 dwellings (P153588)
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This site now has planning permission for 4 dwellings (P153588)
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This site now has planning permission for 4 dwellings (P153588)
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This site now has planning permission for 4 dwellings (P153588)
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This site now has planning permission for 4 dwellings (P153588)
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This site now has planning permission for 4 dwellings (P153588)

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To reduce contributions				This site now has planning
	+	+	+	·
to climate change				permission for 4 dwellings
				(P153588)
To reduce vulnerability				This site now has planning
	+	+	+	permission for 4 dwellings
to climate change	т	т —	т т	'
				(P153588)
To improve water				This site now has planning
quality	+	+	+	permission for 4 dwellings
quanty				(P153588)
				(1.166666)
To provide for				This site now has planning
sustainable sources of	+	+	+	permission for 4 dwellings
water supply				(P153588)
water suppry				
To avoid, reduce and				This site now has planning
manage flood risk	+	+	+	permission for 4 dwellings
manage need nex				(P153588)
To conserve soil				This site now has planning
resources and quality	+	+	+	permission for 4 dwellings
				(P153588)
To minimise the				
production of waste				
To improve health of				
the population				
To reduce crime and				
nuisance				
To conserve natural	+	+	+	This site now has planning
				permission for 4 dwellings
				F

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and manmade				(P153588)			
resources							
Overall commentary	This site now has planning permission for 4 dwellings (P153588)						
and any cumulative							
effects							

#### Land to the west of the Paddocks

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	

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townscapes				
To improve quality of surroundings	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA

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				objectives
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To minimise the production of waste To improve health of the population				
To reduce crime and nuisance				
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is	not over and abo	ve the Core Stra	ategy in terms of SEA objectives

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Policy S5: Phasing of development

Change: Clarification of monitoring of development strategy

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)  Short Medium Long term (11 years +)  5 years)  (6 – 10		Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities	
		years)			
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area	
To improve quality of	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA	

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surroundings				and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area
To improve air quality	Х	Х	Х	n/a
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area
To reduce contributions to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	Х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	Х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	Х	х	n/a

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To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area	
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area	
To minimise the production of waste	x	Х	X	n/a	
To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	Х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and phasing the development will help to keep the character of the area.				

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Policy S7: Design criteria for residential development

Change: additional criteria regarding landscape and biodiversity

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	

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To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the

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				effect of development	
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
To minimise the production of waste	х	х	х	n/a	
To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
Overall commentary	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of				

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and any cumulative	development
effects	

Policy S10: Surface and foul water drainage

Change: policy redrafted

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.	

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To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To improve air quality	Х	Х	Х	n/a
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	х	Х	х	n/a
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of

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				surface water flooding.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	x	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	Х	х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
Overall commentary and any cumulative	This Policy is	not over and abo	ve the Core Str	ategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface

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effects	water flooding.
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Policy S11: Accessibility to community facilities

Change: policy redrafted

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.	

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To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in

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				the parish for community use.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To improve water quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	Х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a

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To reduce crime and nuisance	х	Х	х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is parish for cor		ve the Core Stra	tegy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the

Policy S13: Protection and provision of open space

Change: Inclusion of Local Green Space

_	cumulative effect and r	nt of effect (cor effects, significa nagnitude of the e three time perio	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional

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				areas of open space
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	х	n/a

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To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space				

Policy S15: Protecting local heritage

Change: Inclusion of reference to historic farmstead and other historic assets

SEA Objective	cumulative effect and r	nt of effect (cole effects, significate magnitude of the ethree time peri	ance of the e effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10	Long term (11 years +)		

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		years)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment
To improve air quality	Х	Х	х	n/a
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	х	х	х	n/a

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To reduce contributions to climate change	х	Х	х	n/a
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	х	х	х	n/a
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment
To minimise the production of waste	Х	х	x	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic

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resources			environment	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is environment	ve the Core Stra	tegy in terms of SEA and will help to p	rotect the historic

# Appendix 8

Consultation date: 9 January to 20 February 2017

Consultation title: Environmental Report - Shobdon Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 16

N.B. This consultation feedback is **only** for comments received on the SEA of the draft Neighbourhood Development Plan

Consultee	Summary of Comments	Response to Comments
Natural England	No comments received specifically to the SEA	noted
English Heritage / Heritage England	No comments received specifically to the SEA	n/a
	No comments received	n/a
	No comments received	n/a

# Appendix 9

Objectives verses SEA Objectives (SMART and Compatibility Test)				
SEA Stage B1	Key:	SMART criteria:		
+ =/++	Compatible/very comp	S - Specific:	NDP objectives should specify what is intended to be done in detail and should not be open to a wide range of misinterpretations	The following matrix appraises the emerging Shobdon NDP Objectives
-=	Possible conflict	M – Measurable:	It should be possible to monitor NDP objectives in a quantifiable way, by the use of indicators. Indicators should be measurable with limited resource implications.	in terms of their SMART criteria and their compatibility with the SEA
0 =	Neutral	A – Attainable/achievable:	NDP objectives should be achievable and deliverable, related to the scale of growth proposed	Objectives. These have been developed from Government
X =	No relationship between objectives	R – Realistic:	NDP objectives should relate to the overall vision of the plan. Likewise, chosen indicators should relate to objectives and their outcomes.	guidance on SEA and from the local evidence base gathered for
?=	Unclear, more information needed	T – Time-Bound:	Objectives should be specific to the NDP period or another specified time-frame. Objectives should be associated with a target and indicators should specify when the target should be achieved.	identifying the NDP issues.

NDP							SE	A ob	jectiv	/es									
Policies	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Summary in relation to baseline	Overall commentary and any initial cumulative effects/ Recommendations	Conformity with Core Strategy
Baseline	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	NA	NA	NA	13			
Policy S4:  Change: increase clarity by included sites and additional criteria regarding contamination	+	+	+	+	0	+	?	+	+	x	+	+				+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline. The policy has now indicated the locations of the housing growth within the settlement boundary of Shobdon.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in relation to the settlement boundaries and housing development within policy RA2. Additional certainty have been provided by the inclusion of sites within the policy.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Land to the east of the Paddocks	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				+	This location has assessed within SHLAA as having low /minor constraints.  The details of any scheme will be considered within any future planning application process.  Connection to the main sewerage system will be important to ensure water quality issues against the baseline.	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA

D3: Reassessment of the effects of the policies and sites within the re-submission Neighbourhood Development Plan

### Key:

++ Move	+ Move towards	Move away	- Move away	0 Neutral	? Uncertain	N/A No
towards	Marginally	significantly	marginally			relationship
significantly		o.g.meanay				

Policy S4: Meeting housing needs within Shobdon village

SEA Objective	effects, signif	t of effect (consider icance of the effect in term	ct and	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term	Medium term	Long term		
	(1 – 5 years)	(6 – 10 years)	(11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.	

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To improve quality of surroundings	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce contributions to climate change	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	Х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a

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To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	Х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	Х	х	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	Х	х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade resources	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	_	not over and abo Is of the parish.	ve the Core Stra	ategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the

### Land to the east of the Paddocks

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and
	effects, significance of the effect and		mitigation

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	magnitude of time periods)	the effect in term	s of the three		opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To improve quality of surroundings	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	

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To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To minimise the production of waste				
To improve health of the population				
To reduce crime and nuisance				
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA

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				objectives	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is	not over and abo	ve the Core Stra	ategy in terms of SEA objectives	

# Appendix 10

SEA Report (Shobdon Neighbourhood Plan)

Consultation feedback (Sept 2017)

Consultation date: 28 July to 15 September 2017

Consultation title: Environmental Report - Shobdon Neighbourhood Plan second Regulation 16

N.B. This consultation feedback is **only** for comments received on the SEA of the draft Neighbourhood Development Plan

Consultee	Summary of Comments	Response to Comments
Natural England	No comments received specifically to the SEA	noted
English Heritage / Heritage England	No comments received specifically to the SEA	n/a
Environment Agency	No comments received	n/a
	No comments received	n/a

# Appendix 11

Objectives verses SEA Objectives (SMART and Compatibility Test)				
SEA Stage B1	Key:	SMART criteria:		
+ =/++	Compatible/very comp	S - Specific:	NDP objectives should specify what is intended to be done in detail and should not be open to a wide range of misinterpretations	The following matrix appraises the emerging Shobdon NDP in terms of
-=	Possible conflict	M – Measurable:	It should be possible to monitor NDP objectives in a quantifiable way, by the use of indicators. Indicators should be measurable with limited resource implications.	their SMART criteria and their compatibility with the SEA
0 =	Neutral	A – Attainable/achievable:	NDP objectives should be achievable and deliverable, related to the scale of growth proposed	Objectives. These have been developed from Government
X =	No relationship between objectives	R – Realistic:	NDP objectives should relate to the overall vision of the plan. Likewise, chosen indicators should relate to objectives and their outcomes.	guidance on SEA and from the local evidence base gathered for
?=	Unclear, more information needed	T – Time-Bound:	Objectives should be specific to the NDP period or another specified time-frame. Objectives should be associated with a target and indicators should specify when the target should be achieved.	identifying the NDP issues.

NDP		SEA objectives																	
Policies	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Summary in relation to baseline	Overall commentary and any initial cumulative effects/ Recommendations	Conformity with Core Strategy
Baseline	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	NA	NA	NA	13			
Policy S1: Promoting a sustainable community	+	+	+	+	x	?	+	+	+	+	+	+	x	x	x	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, and seeks to mitigate against the effects of housing development on the environment and local area, and will look to achieve measures to reduce traffic impact.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy for sustainable communities.	Overall this policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
Policy S2  Development Strategy	+	+	+	?	0	+	?	x	x	x	0	?				?	This policy has a mixed effect on the baseline but this is due to the unknown factors of where the housing is likely to go. Other policies within the NDP cover the detail of housing requirements and mitigate against this policy.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in relation to the settlement boundaries and housing development within policy RA2 and RA3.	This policy change is in conformity with Policy RA2/RA3 of the Core Strategy.
Policy S3: Highway and Transport Infrastructure	?	+	+	+	+	++	+	x	x	x	x	x				+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy for transportation, additional changes have ensures that all aspects of active travel have been included.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S4:  Meeting housing needs within Shobdon village	+	+	+	+	0	+	?	+	+	x	+	+				+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline. The policy has now indicated the locations of the housing growth within the settlement boundary of Shobdon.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in relation to the settlement boundaries and housing development within policy RA2. Additional certainty have been provided by the inclusion of sites within the policy.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.

Site 5 - Land to the west of the Paddocks	?	?	?	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				+	This location has assessed within SHLAA as having low /minor constraints. Therefore are some concerns regarding the presence of a number of trees and the impact this could have on biodiversity and the landscape.  The details of any scheme will be considered within any future planning application process.  Connection to the main sewerage system will be important to ensure water quality issues against the baseline.	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA
Site 6 /6a - Land to the east of the Paddocks	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				+	This location has assessed within SHLAA as having low /minor constraints.  The details of any scheme will be considered within any future planning application process.  Connection to the main sewerage system will be important to ensure water quality issues against the baseline.	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA
Site 12 - Land to south of Bar Meadow	?	+	+	+	+	?	+	+	+	+	+	+				+	This area was indicated within SHLAA has land with low/minor constraints with only potential concerns regarding the access.  The details of any scheme will be considered within the planning application process.  Connection to the main sewerage system will be important to ensure water quality issues against the baseline.	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA
Policy S5: Provision of affordable housing	+	+	?	?	0	?	?	x	x	x	0	?	x	x	x	?	This policy has a mixed effect on the baseline but this is due to the unknown factors of where the housing is likely to go. Other policies within the NDP cover the detail of housing requirements and mitigate against this policy.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in relation to affordable housing.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S6:  Design criteria for residential development	++	++	++	+	+	+	++	+	+	?	+	+				+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, and seeks to mitigate against the effects of housing development on the environment.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy for housing proposals.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S7: Supporting local business	+	+	+	+	?	?	x	х	?	?	?	?	x	х	х	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline. Reusing redundant buildings for employment use will help the baseline. Encouraging tourism could increase traffic into the parish therefore this is an unknown factor on the baseline.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S8: Renewable and low carbon energy	+	+	+	+	+	+	++	++	0	х	+	+				+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, this policy will help to follow the trends and reach targets set in the baseline.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.

Policy S9:																		erall this policy
Surface and foul water drainage	++	+	++	+	x	x	++	+	++	x	+	+				+	effects of housing development on the environment, particularly in relation to safeguarding against surface water flooding Strat requ	uirements for purposes of
Policy S10: Accessibility to community facilities	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	x	?	+				+	baseline, and seeks to mitigate against the effects of any new community development would have on the environment.  the requirements in the Core Strategy.  Strategy.	s policy would et the Core itegy uirements in ns of the SEA.
Policy S11: Broadband infrastructure	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	0	0	0	+				+	impact on the baseline data.  the requirements in the Core Strategy in supporting broadband infrastructure.  Strat requirements in the Core Strategy in supporting broadband infrastructure.	s policy would et the Core itegy uirements in ns of the SEA.
Policy S12: Local Green and open space	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	x	x	+	+	+				+	baseline, retaining the character of the area and ensuring a valued open space is protected.  the requirements in the Core Strategy.  meet Strategy.	s policy would et the Core itegy uirements in ns of the SEA.
Policy S13: Retaining the natural environment and landscape	++	++	++	+	0	0	x	x	?	x	+	+	x	x	x	+	the baseline as the policy seeks to have regard to environmental constraints.  the requirements in the Core Strategy regarding landscape and the environment.  Strat requirements in the Core Strategy regarding landscape and the environment.	s policy would et the Core itegy uirements in ns of the SEA.
Policy S14: Protecting local heritage	++	++	+	++	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	+				+	the baseline as the policy seeks to have regard to environmental and heritage within the Parish.  the passeline as the policy seeks to have requirements in the Core Strategy regarding heritage assets.  Strategy regarding heritage assets.	s policy would et the Core itegy uirements in ns of the SEA.
Options conside	ered bu	t not in	cluded	l withir	n this d	Iraft Re	eg14											
Site 1 –Land to the west of the Old Power House	?	-	-	-	?	?	+	+	+	+	+	+				+	consider to be so distance from the settlement and therefore indicated as no potential.  requirements of the Core Strategy.  woul Core potential.	s allocation ald meet the e Strategy uirements in as of the SEA
Site 2 – Land to the east of the Old Gymnasium	?	+	+	+	+	?	?	?	+	?	+	+				+	part of a larger site. This site was previously safeguarded as open space and considered prone to flooding. Access is also considered	allocation ald meet the e Strategy uirements in ns of the SEA
Site 3 /3A – Land to the south of Bateman Close	?	?	?	+	+	?	+	+	+	+	+	+				+	part of a larger site along with site 2. This was considered that the site is difficult to access and was too large to be considered.  requirements of the Core Strategy.  woul Core requirements of the Core Strategy.	s allocation ald meet the e Strategy uirements in ns of the SEA

Site 4 – land to the north- west end of The Grove (old play area)	?	+	+	+	+	?	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	This is has been deemed as no longer available	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA
Site 7 - Land to north of Moor Meadow	?	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	This site now has planning permission	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA
Site 8 – Land to the west of Wildflower House	?	?	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	This area was included within the SHLAA and assessed as land with no potential within the plan period. The site abuts a Grade II Historic Park and Garden and a SWS. Access would be achievable.	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA
Site 9 - Land to the south of New Cottages	?	-	-	-	+	?	?	+	+	+	+	+		+	This area was included within the SHLAA and assessed as land with significant constraints. There are concerns regarding character of the village from the east and the impact on the Historic Park and Garden. More appropriate sites have been considered.  This site now has planning permission	This area would have a mixed impact on the SEA baseline. Other sites have been considered within the settlement boundary and to the west of the village.	More details would be required to determine a effects on the SEA baseline
Site 10 /10A – Land to the south of Roseville Terrace	?	?	?	+	+	+	?	+	+	+	+	+		+	This site was included within the SHLAA and assessed as land with significant constraints principally due to size. It is also considered that the access lane would be narrow to achieved the footpath and the highway	Overall this site meet the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA
Site 11 - Land to the east of Shobdon Primary School	?	+	+	+	+	?	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	This area was not included within SHLAA.  The details of any scheme will be considered within the planning application process.  Connection to the main sewerage system will be important to ensure water quality issues against the baseline.	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA
Site 13 - Land to the north west end of The Grove	?	+	?	+	+	?	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	This area was not included within SHLAA.  The details of any scheme will be considered within the planning application process.  Connection to the main sewerage system will be important to ensure water quality issues against the baseline.	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA
Land to the rear of CALVI, Canterbury Road	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	This site now has planning permission for 4 dwellings (P153588)	Overall this site meets the SEA objectives and requirements of the Core Strategy.	This allocation would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA

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# Key:

++ Move	+ Move towards	Move away	- Move away	0 Neutral	? Uncertain	N/A No
towards	Marginally	significantly	marginally			relationship
significantly						

Policy S1: Promoting a sustainable community

SEA Objective	cumulative of effect and m	nt of effect (con effects, significal nagnitude of the three time perio	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.	

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To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.
To improve air quality	х	Х	х	n/a
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.

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To improve water quality				This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
quanty	+	+	+	objectives and will promote sustainable development through
				the plan period.
To provide for sustainable sources of				This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
water supply	+	+	+	objectives and will promote
				sustainable development through the plan period.
To avoid, reduce and				This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
manage flood risk	+	+	+	objectives and will promote
				sustainable development through the plan period.
To conserve soil resources and quality				This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
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				sustainable development through the plan period.
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	Х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	Х	Х	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	x	Х	х	n/a
Huisance				
To conserve natural	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and

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and manmade resources				above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will promote sustainable development through the plan period. Policy safeguards exist to ensure long term effects are positive.				

Policy S2: Development Strategy

SEA Objective	cumulative of effect and m	nt of effect (con effects, significal nagnitude of the three time perio	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core	

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				Strategy.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To improve quality of surroundings	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing

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				requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To reduce contributions to climate change	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	x	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing

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				requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	Х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	X	x	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	Х	х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade resources	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing requirements set out in the Core Strategy.			

Policy S3: Highways and Transport infrastructure

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives.	
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish	
To conserve and where appropriate enhance	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in	

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the historic environment and cultural heritage				terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	Х	х	n/a

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To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve soil resources and quality	х	х	х	n/a	
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	×	n/a	
To improve health of the population	х	X	x	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and will seek to address traffic and highway issues within the Parish. The addition of active travel will help to reduce the need to travel by private car.				

Policy S4: Meeting housing needs within Shobdon village

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
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	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)	
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To improve quality of surroundings	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and

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				above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce contributions to climate change	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs

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				of the parish.	
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.	
To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	х	n/a	
To improve health of the population	х	Х	x	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	Х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish, reference to sites has now been included within the policy.				

Site 5 - Land to the west of the Paddocks

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)  Short   Medium   Long term term (1 - term (11 years +) 5 years)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
		years)			
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To improve quality of surroundings	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	

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cultural heritage				
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To conserve soil	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in

resources and quality				terms of SEA objectives	
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy i	s not over and a	bove the Core	e Strategy in terms of SEA objectiv	res

### Site 6 and 6a - Land to the east of the Paddocks

SEA Objective	effects, signif	of effect (considerance of the effect in term	ct and	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term   Medium term   Long term   (1 - 5   (11 years +)				

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	years)	(6 – 10 years)		
	) Jours)	(6 10 )64.6)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To improve quality of surroundings	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives

To reduce vulnerability to				This Policy is not over and above
climate change	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
Climate Change	т	т	т	objectives
				objectives
To improve water quality				This Policy is not over and above
	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
				objectives
				objectives
To provide for sustainable				This Policy is not over and above
sources of water supply	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
				objectives
To avoid, reduce and				This Policy is not over and above
manage flood risk	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
				objectives
To conserve soil				This Policy is not over and above
resources and quality	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
				objectives
To minimise the				
production of waste				
To improve health of the				
population				
To reduce crime and				
nuisance				
Halsanse				
To conserve natural and				This Policy is not over and above
manmade resources	+	+	+	the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
				objectives
Overall commentary	This Policy is	not over and abo	ve the Core St	rategy in terms of SEA objectives
and any cumulative				

effects	

Site 12 - Land to south of Bar Meadow

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	?	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives	

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townscapes				
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives

To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives
To minimise the				
To improve health of the population				
To reduce crime and nuisance				
To conserve natural				This Policy is not over and
and manmade	+	+	+	above the Core Strategy in
resources				terms of SEA objectives
Overall commentary	This Policy i	s not over and a	bove the Core	Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This area was
and any cumulative effects	indicated wi	thin SHLAA as h	naving low / mi	nor constraints.

Policy S5: Provision of affordable housing

SEA Objective  Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities	
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.	
To improve quality of surroundings	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.	

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To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.
To reduce contributions to climate change	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for	Х	Х	x	n/a

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sustainable sources of water supply						
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.		
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.		
To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	Х	n/a		
To improve health of the population	х	Х	х	n/a		
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a		
To conserve natural and manmade resources	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.		
Overall commentary and any cumulative	_	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and in terms of providing affordable housing provision.				

effects	

Policy S6: Design criteria for residential development

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
To improve quality of	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in	

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surroundings				terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to	

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				mitigate against the effect of development
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a

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To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development				

Policy S7: Supporting local business

SEA Objective	cumulative effect and n	nt of effect (con effects, significa nagnitude of the e three time perio	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To improve air quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish

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To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To reduce contributions to climate change	х	х	Х	n/a
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To conserve soil	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and

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resources and quality				above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To minimise the production of waste	х	х	Х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	X	х	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	Х	х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	_	s not over and a within the parish		Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support

Policy S8: Renewable an low carbon energy

cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)  Cumulative effects, significance of the effect in terms of the three time periods)  Cumulative effects, significance of the effect in terms of the three time periods)	SEA Objective	effect and magnitude of the effect in	Summary Explanation	
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	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)	
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and

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To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.  This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To reduce contributions to climate change	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To improve water quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.
To provide for sustainable sources of	Х	х	х	n/a

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water supply					
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.	
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.	
To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	Х	n/a	
To improve health of the population	х	Х	х	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide mitigation against any effects of development.				

Policy S9: Surface and foul water drainage

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.	
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface	

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				water flooding.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To improve air quality	х	Х	Х	n/a
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	х	х	х	n/a
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.

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To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	x	х	х	n/a	
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.	
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.	
To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	Х	n/a	
To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a	
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.	
Overall commentary	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects				

and any cumulative	of surface water flooding.					
effects						

Policy S10: Accessibility to community facilities

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.	

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To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.

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To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To improve water quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.
To minimise the production of waste	Х	Х	х	n/a
To improve health of	Х	Х	Х	n/a

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the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	Х	Х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to retain facilities in the parish for community use.				

Policy S11: Broadband infrastructure

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)		Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities	
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in

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				terms of SEA
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To improve water quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA
To minimise the production of waste	×	х	Х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	Х	Х	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in

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resources			terms of SEA	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	-	s not over and a e for broadband	Strategy in terms of SEA and will h	nelp to supply the

Policy S12: Local Green Space and open space

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 –	Medium term	Long term (11 years +)		
	5 years)	(6 – 10 years)	(Trycars Try		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open	

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				space
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open

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				space
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To minimise the production of waste	Х	х	×	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a

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To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a	
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space				

Policy S13: Retaining the natural environment and landscape

SEA Objective	cumulative effect and n	nt of effect (con effects, significa nagnitude of the e three time perio	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.
To improve quality of surroundings	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will

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To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	0	0	0	help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.  This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the
				Parish.
To reduce contributions to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	Х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will

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To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.  This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.
To minimise the production of waste	X	Х	Х	n/a
To improve health of the population	x	x	х	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to mitigate against the effect of development on the Parish.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	-	is not over and a ainst the effect of		e Strategy in terms of SEA and this policy will help to to on the Parish.

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Policy S14: Protecting local heritage

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment	
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment	
To conserve and where appropriate enhance	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in	

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the historic environment and cultural heritage				terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment
To improve air quality	Х	Х	Х	n/a
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	х	х	Х	n/a
To reduce contributions to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	Х	Х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	Х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	х	Х	х	n/a
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment

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To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	х	n/a		
To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a		
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a		
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment		
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to protect the historic environment.					

# Appendix 12

SEA Report (Shobdon Neighbourhood Plan)

Consultation feedback (Aug 2018)

Consultation date: 23 May to 5 July 2018

Consultation title: Environmental Report - Shobdon Neighbourhood Plan second Regulation 14

N.B. This consultation feedback is **only** for comments received on the SEA of the draft Neighbourhood Development Plan

Consultee	Summary of Comments	Response to Comments
Natural England	Concur with the conclusions	noted
English Heritage / Heritage England	No comments received	n/a
Environment Agency	No comments received	n/a
Natural Resources Wales	No comments received	n/a

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### Key:

+-	+ Move	+ Move towards	Move away	- Move away	0 Neutral	? Uncertain	N/A No
	towards	Marginally	significantly	marginally			relationship
	significantly						

Policy S4: Meeting housing needs within Shobdon village

SEA Objective	cumulative of effect and m	nt of effect (con effects, significal nagnitude of the three time perio	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs	

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				of the parish.
To improve quality of surroundings	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To reduce contributions to climate change	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs

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				of the parish.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	Х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	х	Х	х	n/a
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	х	Х	х	n/a
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.
To minimise the production of waste	Х	X	х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	Х	х	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a

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To conserve natural and manmade				This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in	
resources	?	?	?	terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and will seek to meet the housing needs of the parish, reference to sites has now been included within the policy.				

Policy S6: Design criteria for residential development

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)			Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development	

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To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development

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To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development

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To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	х	х	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	Х	х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and help to mitigate against the effect of development			

Policy S7: Supporting local business

SEA Objective	Assessment of effect (consider cumulative effects, significance of the effect and magnitude of the effect in terms of the three time periods)	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities

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	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)	
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To improve air quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and

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				above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To reduce contributions to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	х	х	n/a
To improve water quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in

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				terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To conserve soil resources and quality	?	?	?	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
To minimise the production of waste	х	Х	Х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	Х	х	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support businesses within the parish
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	_	s not over and a within the parish		Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to support

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Policy S9: Surface and foul water drainage

SEA Objective	cumulative of effect and m	nt of effect (con effects, significal nagnitude of the three time perio	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.	
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.	

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To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To improve air quality	х	Х	Х	n/a
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	х	х	х	n/a
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To provide for	Х	Х	х	n/a

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sustainable sources of water supply				
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
To minimise the production of waste	х	х	Х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	Х	х	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	Х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects of surface water flooding.
Overall commentary and any cumulative	_	s not over and a rater flooding.	bove the Core	Strategy in terms of SEA and will help reduce the effects

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Policy S12: Local Green Space and open space

SEA Objective	cumulative of effect and m	nt of effect (con- effects, significal nagnitude of the three time perio	nce of the effect in	Summary Explanation	Enhancement and mitigation opportunities
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space	
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to	

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				provide additional areas of open space
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	х	Х	х	n/a
To improve water	Х	Х	Х	n/a

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quality				
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to provide additional areas of open space
To minimise the production of waste	x	х	х	n/a
To improve health of the population	х	Х	х	n/a
To reduce crime and nuisance	х	х	х	n/a
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA and will help to

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		provide additional areas of open space	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	s not over and a reas of open spa	Strategy in terms of SEA and will h	elp to provide

Objectives verses SEA Objectives (SMART and Compatibility Test)				
SEA Stage B1	Key:	SMART criteria:		
+ =/++	Compatible/very comp	S - Specific:	NDP objectives should specify what is intended to be done in detail and should not be open to a wide range of misinterpretations	The following matrix appraises the emerging Shobdon NDP in terms of
-=	Possible conflict	M – Measurable:	It should be possible to monitor NDP objectives in a quantifiable way, by the use of indicators. Indicators should be measurable with limited resource implications.	their SMART criteria and their compatibility with the SEA
0 =	Neutral	A – Attainable/achievable:	NDP objectives should be achievable and deliverable, related to the scale of growth proposed	Objectives. These have been developed from Government
X =	No relationship between objectives	R – Realistic:	NDP objectives should relate to the overall vision of the plan. Likewise, chosen indicators should relate to objectives and their outcomes.	guidance on SEA and from the local evidence base gathered for
?=	Unclear, more information needed	T – Time-Bound:	Objectives should be specific to the NDP period or another specified time-frame. Objectives should be associated with a target and indicators should specify when the target should be achieved.	identifying the NDP issues.

NDP							SE	EA ob	ojectiv	/es									
Policies	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Summary in relation to baseline	Overall commentary and any initial cumulative effects/ Recommendations	Conformity with Core Strategy
Baseline	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	NA	NA	NA	13			
Policy S4:  Meeting housing needs within Shobdon village	+	+	+	+	0	+	?	+	+	x	+	+				+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline. The policy has now indicated the locations of the housing growth within the settlement boundary of Shobdon.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy in relation to the settlement boundaries and housing development within policy RA2. Additional certainty have been provided by the inclusion of sites within the policy.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S6:  Design criteria for residential development	++	++	++	+	+	++	++	+	+	?	+	+				+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, and seeks to mitigate against the effects of housing development on the environment.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy for housing proposals.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S7: Supporting local business	+	+	+	+	?	?	х	x	?	?	?	?	x	x	x	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline. Reusing redundant buildings for employment use will help the baseline. Encouraging tourism could increase traffic into the parish therefore this is an unknown factor on the baseline.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
Policy S8: Renewable and low carbon energy	+	+	+	+	+	+	++	++	0	x	+	+				+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, this policy will help to follow the trends and reach targets set in the baseline.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.

Policy S12: Local Green and open space	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	x	x	+	+	+	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the baseline, retaining the character of the area and ensuring a valued open space is protected.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy.	This policy would meet the Core Strategy requirements in terms of the SEA.
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# Appendix 14

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Obj	ectives and context	Wh	nere referenced in NDP/SEA
	The Neighbourhood Development Plan's purpose and objectives are made clear.	•	Section 1 (paras 1.8 – 1.9).
	The Neighbourhood Area's environmental issues and constraints, including acknowledgement of those in the Local Plan (Core Strategy) SA, where relevant, and local environmental protection objectives, are considered in developing objectives and targets.	•	Sections 2 and 3; and Tables A2 and A3
	SEA objectives are clearly set out and linked to indicators and targets where appropriate.	•	Section 3 (para 3.7).
	Links with other locally related plans, programmes and policies are identified, explained and acknowledgement for those set out in the SA of the Local Plan (Core Strategy) is given, where relevant.	•	Section 3 (para 3.5).
	Conflicts that exist between SEA and Neighbourhood Development Plan objectives; and between SEA objectives and other local plan objectives are identified and described.	•	Section 3 (paras 3.8 – 3.12)
Sco	ping		
	Statutory Consultees are consulted in appropriate ways and at appropriate times on the content and scope of the Environmental Report.	•	Section 2 (paras 2.6 – 2.7) and Appendix 3
•	The assessment focuses on significant issues.	•	Sections 2 and 4
	Technical, procedural and other difficulties encountered are discussed; assumptions and uncertainties are made explicit.	•	Sections 2 and 4

# Alternatives Realistic alternatives are considered for Section 5 (5.1 to 5.5) key issues, and the reasons for choosing them are documented. Alternatives include 'do minimum' and/or 'business as usual' scenarios wherever relevant. The environmental effects (both adverse and beneficial) of each alternative are identified and compared. Inconsistencies between the alternatives and other relevant local plans, programmes or policies are identified and explained. Reasons are given for selection or elimination of alternatives. **Baseline information** Relevant aspects of the current state of Section 1 and 4. the local, neighbourhood area environment and their likely evolution without the Neighbourhood Development Plan are described. Acknowledgement to the information in the SA of the Local Plan (Core Strategy) is given, where relevant. Environmental characteristics of the Initial screening report and Section 1. local, neighbourhood area, likely to be significantly affected are described, including areas wider than the physical boundary of the designated neighbourhood area, where it is likely to be affected by the Neighbourhood Development Plan. Difficulties such as deficiencies in Section 2. information or methods are explained.

#### Prediction and evaluation of likely significant environmental effects

- Effects identified include the types listed in the Directive (biodiversity, population, human health, fauna, flora, soil, water, air, climate factors, material assets, cultural heritage and landscape), as relevant; and other local likely environmental effects are also covered, as appropriate.
- Both positive and negative effects are considered, and the duration of effects (short, medium or long-term) is addressed.
- Likely secondary, cumulative (growing in quantity and strength) and synergistic (acting together) effects are identified, where practicable.
- Inter-relationships between effects are considered, where practicable.
- The prediction and evaluation of effects makes use of relevant accepted standards, regulations, and thresholds (i.e. data gathered for the evidence base).
- Methods used to evaluate the effects are described.

• Tables A2, A3 and A4 (Appendix 2)

- Tables B2 and B3 (Appendix 4), Table D2 and D3 (Appendix 7), D2 and D3 (Appendix 9), Table D2 and D3 (appendix 11) Table D2 and D3 (appendix 13)
- Table B4 (Appendix 4)
- Section 4
- Section 4
- Section 2

Mitigation measures

- Measures envisaged to prevent, reduce and offset any significant adverse effects of implementing the Neighbourhood Development Plan are indicated.
- Issues to be taken into account when determining planning applications or other projects, for example funding bids, are identified.
- Section 6
- Section 4

#### The Environmental Report

- Is clear and concise in its layout and presentation.
- Uses simple, clear language and avoids or explains technical terms.
- Uses maps and other illustrations, where appropriate.
- Explains the methodology used.
- Explains who was consulted and what methods of consultation were used.
- Identifies sources of information, including expert judgement and matters of opinion.
- Contains a non-technical summary covering the overall approach to the SEA, the objectives of the Neighbourhood Development Plan, the main options considered, and any changes to the Neighbourhood Development Plan resulting from the SEA.

- N/A
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- Section 2
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#### Consultation

- The SEA is consulted on as an integral part of the plan-making process of the Neighbourhood Development Plan.
- Consultation Bodies and the public likely to be affected by, or having an interest in, the Neighbourhood Development Plan are consulted in ways and at times, which give them an early and effective opportunity within appropriate time frames to express their opinions on the draft Neighbourhood Development Plan and Environmental Report.
- Section 2 (paras 2.4 2.5)
- Section 6

### Decision-making and information on the decision

- The environmental report and the opinions of those consulted are taken into account in finalising and adopting the Neighbourhood Development Plan.
- An explanation is given of how they have been taken into account.
- Reasons are given for choosing the Neighbourhood Development Plan as adopted, in the light of other reasonable alternatives considered.

- Sections 2 and 6
- Section 6
- Section 6

## Monitoring measures

- Measures proposed for monitoring the Neighbourhood Development Plan are clear, practicable and linked to the indicators and objectives used in the SEA.
- Monitoring is used, where appropriate, during implementation of the Neighbourhood Development Plan to make good deficiencies in baseline information in the SEA.
- Acknowledgement that monitoring enables unforeseen adverse effects to be identified at an early stage. (These effects may include predictions which prove to be incorrect.)
- Proposals are made for action in response to significant adverse effects arising from the monitoring of the Neighbourhood Development Plan.

- Section 5
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