

Environmental Report

Report for:

Bridstow Neighbourhood Area

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Bridstow Neighbourhood Plan

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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.

Bridstow Parish Council have undertaken to prepare an NDP and this process has been subject to environmental appraisal pursuant to the SEA Directive. The Parish comprises the parishes of Bridstow, the parish lies to the west of the market town of Ross-on-Wye. The Draft Bridstow NDP includes 6 objectives it is intended that these objectives will be delivered by 24 criteria based planning policies, a settlement boundary is proposed for Bridstow, Wilton, Claytons, Buckcastle Hill.

The submission Bridstow NDP includes six objectives which are intended to address a number of issues highlighted and it is intended that these objectives will be delivered by 23 planning policies including a range of site allocations and criteria based policies. Four alternative strategic options have been tested together with a number of alternative site options.

The environmental appraisal of the Bridstow 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 provides a review and analysis of the NDP. Stage C involved preparing an Environmental Report and Stage D comprises a formal consultation on both this and the Draft Plan itself.

Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) screening showed that a full HRA assessment was not required. A separate report has been produced outlining this to accompany the draft NDP.

On the whole, it is considered that the Bridstow 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). The plan proposes a level of growth which reflects the proportionate growth that is prescribed by strategic policies. There are some revised wording changes suggested to strengthen or clarify some policies areas as a result of the SEA.

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

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 This report forms the draft Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of the Bridstow Neighbourhood Plan.
- 1.2 Bridstow Neighbourhood Plan area consists of the civil parish of Bridstow which from the administrative area of Bridstow Parish Council. The proposed plan is for the period of twenty years, 2011-2031 and has been drafted by a steering group of Bridstow Parish Council, which includes Parish Council members and residents.

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 which applies to plans with significant environmental effects.
- 1.5. The main objective of a SEA is *“to provide for a high level of protection of the environment and to contribute to the integration of environmental considerations into the preparation and adoption of plans and programmes with a view to promoting sustainable development”*. The Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations (2004). The assessment is looking at the positive and negative environmental issues that your plan might have on your local environmental assets.
- 1.6 A screening opinion was carried out on the Bridstow 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 and HRA would be required.

Bridstow Neighbourhood Plan Context

- 1.7 Bridstow Parish comprises of the parish of Bridstow. The Parish covers a rural area within central Herefordshire, and borders on the western edge of Hereford. The parish borders with several other parishes including Ross-on-Wye, Brampton Abbots and Foy Group, Walford, Peterstow. Marstow and Sellack.
- 1.8 Bridstow Parish have around a population of 906 living, the majority of the population lives within the settlement of Bridstow followed by Wilton. Facilities within Bridstow include a primary school, village hall, church, home and garden shop. There is a wider range of shops and bars in the nearby market town of Ross-on-Wye.
- 1.9 The neighbourhood area boasts many natural features, not least 5 Special Wildlife Sites, 2 SSSI and 7 unregistered parks and garden, parish borders 2 conservation areas. There are numerous built heritage assets, too, including listed buildings, 3 Scheduled Monuments and non-designated assets. The river Wye SAC runs along the eastern border of the parish.

1.10 The vision statement for Bridstow in 2031 is as follows:

“By 2031, Bridstow Parish will have retained its rural character and beautiful views. Essential development will have been accommodated in small clusters, to preserve the feel of its two villages and being mindful of how important people’s homes are to them in the existing settlements, as well as residents’ safety. There will have been work with relevant organisations and adjacent Parishes to improve facilities and amenities for local residents, such as footpaths, and to tackle problems in the Parish, such as flooding. The current limited facilities will be retained and used effectively by the community.”

1.11 The Bridstow NDP has six objectives covering different themes within the plan.

1.12 The Bridstow Neighbourhood Plan (January 2021) aims are as follows:

- To preserve, and where possible, enhance the rural character and features of the Parish, including its tranquillity.
- To address the highway safety concerns of residents
- To ensure the network for walking and cycling is effective, increasing accessibility through these means where possible.
- To accommodate new housing sensitively within and adjacent to the Parish’s settlements, ensuring the types and sizes of dwellings meet local needs in particular.
- To support local businesses where these reflect the nature and scale of the Parish, in particular farm diversification, tourism and working from home
- To strengthen community identity and cohesion, and its health and well-being

Context of Neighbourhood Plans

1.14 NDPs are a 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.

1.15 The Bridstow NDP must therefore conform to national planning policy set within the NPPF and strategic level local policy including the Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy).

1.16 The Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy) was adopted on 16 October 2015.

1.17 Paragraph 46 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 greater 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).

- 1.18 Table 4.14 of the Local Plan (Core Strategy) lists Bridstow among the settlements which it considers to be sustainable locations for growth, which is the main focus of proportionate growth, in line with the Policy RA1 and RA2.
- 1.19 Once made (adopted) by Herefordshire Council, the Bridstow NDP will have a role in guiding future development proposals within the Parish, by setting out policies against which planning applications will be determined.

Structure of SEA

- 1.20 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 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 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 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 policies and reasonable alternatives

- *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 accompanies 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 Producing an Environmental Report was therefore a legal requirement and the submission of this report to Herefordshire Council forms Stage D of the SEA process.

Scoping Report Consultation

- 2.6 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.
- 2.7 After the document was approved by the Parish Council, the Bridstow SEA Scoping Report was available to four¹ statutory bodies for consultation in June and July 2015.

Consultation outcomes from Statutory Consultees

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

Natural England: 2. Recommended addition to the plans, policies and programmes. Natural England White Paper, Malvern Hills AONB management plan 2014-2019 and Wye Valley Management Plan 2014-19. Recommended to change proposed indicators for biodiversity, flora and fauna. Recommended the water, air, soil and material assets section references geological conservation. Where a Neighbourhood Plan area is within an AONB or near to or likely to affect an AONB, we would advise that you consult the relevant AONB Unit. NE welcomes 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.

English Heritage: No comments received

Environment Agency: Attached a pro-forma, no specific comments were made to the scoping report.

Natural Resources Wales: No comments received.

¹ Statutory consultation bodies: Natural England; English Heritage; Environment Agency, Natural Resources Wales

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 Bridstow 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 Bridstow 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 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 strategies and plans have been reviewed and, where appropriate, incorporated within the SA Framework objectives. These can be seen in Appendix 1 of the Bridstow Plan Scoping Report together with the implications for the SEA and NDP highlighted.

SEA Objectives and baseline characteristics

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

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

- 3.7 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.
- 3.8 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.
- 3.9 Following the completion of Task B2 of SEA it was apparent that the largest environmental issue within the Group Parish has an impact on the County as a whole is water quality; the River Wye (including the River Lugg), this 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.
- 3.10 The NDP proposes sites allocations, settlement boundaries to identify Bridstow (Bannuttree, Buckcastle Hill, Claytons) as well as criteria-based policies. On this basis, the delivery of the NDP should not exacerbate existing problems regarding water quality or have an unacceptable adverse impact.
- 3.11 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 Bridstow Plan SEA objectives are listed below.
- 3.12 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 move 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 / aims

- 4.1 The aims listed in the NDP seek to achieve the vision of the Bridstow NDP. There are a total of 6 objectives; these are listed in paragraph 1.11 above
- 4.2 The table in appendix 4 tests these NDP aims against the SEA objectives, providing a summary of the results of Task B1 of SEA.
- 4.3 The majority of those NDP aims which have a relationship with the SEA framework are positively compatible with it or further clarification is required to fully assess the effects.

- 4.4 Task B1 of the SEA identifies that the seven NDP aims were compatible with the SEA framework. Task B1 also requires objectives to be SMART assessed. These too were seen as compatible.
- 4.5 Overall within Stage B1 the majority of the NDP aims have met SEA objectives, and the rest had no relationship with the SEA objective or needed further information such as location of development.

5.0 Assessing the NDP Neighbourhood Plan Options

- 5.1 The options that were considered during the development of the Bridstow Neighbourhood Plan were supplied by the Parish Council and have been assessed as part of the SEA. These options were predominately concerning the method of managing the proportional growth of Bridstow village, no options were supplied regarding the whole plan area. The summary matrix of the assessment can be found in Table B2 options these tables are in Appendix 4.
- 5.2 The options cover the issues that are likely to formulate the policy topics going forward in the Plan. The Parish Council held open days in November 2014 to inform residents about the plan and identify land based issues in the parish. The Parish Council issued a questionnaire in early 2016, a youth forum in April and further open days. The results of the questionnaire and open days fed into the identification of the preferred options and ultimately the draft policies.
- 5.3 To not to pursue a Neighbourhood Plan was initially considered by the parish at the start of the neighbourhood planning process. However the Parish Council disregarded this at an early stage as it was highlighted within open day event and original consultation exercise that the majority of the community would support the work undertaken for a Neighbourhood Plan.
- 5.4 The Bridstow options all had a generally positive impact upon the Baseline data and SEA objectives, in particular Option1, Option 2 and Option 3 would have upon the environment and move towards the SEA objectives, as it provides more certainty on where development will go through different strategies but all within conformity with policy RA2. They will all strive for proportionate growth within the identified settlement boundaries where the majority of the built form is. Proportionate growth is promoted using a settlement boundary, this option is flexible as sites are not allocated and housing delivery is dependent on applications. The impact on the SEA baseline is mostly a mixture of positive impact as there are safeguarding policies within the NDP to ensure impact cause from development is minimised.
- 5.5 Options 1,2,3 all had a positive effect on the sea baseline. These housing approach option will help to meet the required housing target for Bridstow. Allocation of sites for housing or other uses would give certainty to future development. Option 2 and 3 are the most favoured as it will share growth appropriate to the scale to the area. Development will be contained and in proportion to the identified settlements in line with agreed criteria although the details of where these locations to be decided from the site options consultation.

Site Options

- 5.6 Most of the site options had a mix of uncertain and neutral effects on the SEA objectives and baseline. Neighbourhood planning policies incorporate appropriate mitigation measures within the policies therefore should result in a generally a positive impact on the sea data in the short term. Once more details are known about the proposed scheme, in terms of size and design this will help further clarify the impact on the sea baseline objectives. The sites that resulted in the smallest impact on the sea objects are BK6, BK2C, BK2A/B, Bk4 and Bt2a/b.
- 5.7 Several site options were found to have an uncertain or negative impact on the baseline data. Site options BT7, BK7, C1, W1B/C, B6a and W1a have all been raised concerns through highway safety and pollution. This is because the majority of these sites are located by large A roads or major junctions. This results in potential pollution and noise pollution impact on new development as well as highway safety concern. These issues have been raised through planning history and previous SHLAA assessments. The parish is also constrained by the natural landscape as well being within the Wye Valley AONB as well so some of the sites are likely to have an effect on the natural landscape, some of the sites have the potential to use mitigation measures to alleviate its impact. All of the site options impact on water quality, flooding issues and soil quality to some extent. Further assessment of these issues can be decided when more details of the schemes are known at planning application stage.

6.0 Appraisal of the policies

- 6.1 A key part of developing a plan such as the Bridstow NDP is developing a range of options and testing these, so that a preferred way forward can be selected. The policies selected below have followed from the options process.
- 6.2 The plan has been organised to group policies under an appropriate objective. The emerging set of policies within the plan is as follows;
- Draft Policy BR1 Promoting Sustainable Development
 - Draft Policy BR2 Development Strategy
 - Draft Policy BR3 Major Development within the Wye Valley AONB
 - Draft Policy BR4 Conserving the Landscape and Scenic Beauty within the Wye Valley AONB
 - Draft Policy BR5 Protecting Heritage Assets
 - Draft Policy BR6 Enhancement of the Natural Environment
 - Draft Policy BR7 Protection from Flood Risk
 - Draft Policy BR8 Sewerage Infrastructure
 - Draft Policy BR9 Sustainable Design
 - Draft Policy BR10 Housing Design and Appearance
 - Draft Policy BR11 Traffic Measures within the Parish
 - Draft Policy BR12 Highway Design Requirements
 - Draft Policy BR13 Housing Development in Wilton
 - ~~Draft Policy BR14 Housing Site in Wilton Deleted post 14~~
 - Draft Policy BR14 Housing Development in Bridstow
 - Draft Policy BR15 Housing Sites in Bridstow Village
 - Draft Policy BR16 Housing Development within Buckcastle Hill Area of Special Character
 - Draft Policy BR17 Agricultural Diversification, Tourism and other Employment Enterprises

- Draft Policy BR18 Renewable and Low Carbon Energy
- Draft Policy BR19 Poly tunnel Proposals
- Draft Policy BR20 Protection and Enhancement of Community Facilities
- Draft Policy BR21 Protection of Local Green Space and Areas of Open Space
- Draft Policy BR22 Contributions to Community Services, Youth Provision and Recreation Facilities
- Draft Policy BR23 High Speed Broadband and Telecommunications

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 relationship with the sea baseline. Due to the impact likely to cause minimal effect, or potential impacts likely to be mitigated from additional policy safeguards included within the NDP and Local Plan (Core Strategy). The majority of objectives have no direct relationship to sea objectives relating to water quality and sustainable water supply as their aims were not likely to directly require water quality or sustainable uses of water supply.
- 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 direct baseline data available in respect of SEA Objectives 13, 14 and 15. The 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 therefore, have an adverse impact on the baseline characteristics or immediate environmental impacts. This is because the majority of the policies have in built criteria to ensure any significant effects caused from development are minimised and mitigated.
- 6.6 There are some unknown factors, particularly impact on water quality and usage, flooding issues and soil quality. These factors can be further assessed at planning application stage, when further details of the schemes are known in terms of scale and location.
- 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.
- 6.8 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 Bridstow NDP are by and large 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.
- 6.9 Mitigation measures have been included within the SEA assessment. Many of the policies already include mitigation criteria with regards to road noise impact, major development along the Wye Valley AONB,

Stage D of the SEA (Reg16)

- 6.10 The submission Bridstow NDP has been revised following the consultation. Several policies have been amended. This has included clarity of wording rather than any fundamental changes in direction or stance. One policy BR14 Housing site in Wilton had been deleted, following advice from Highways England and the high level of noise and traffic pollution on this site. The policies have only been slightly amended, 2 new policies have been added and the numbering has changed.
- 6.11 Several of the objectives have been amended. Two have been rescreened OB3 and OB4. Further criteria has been added to OB3, to protect former railway line from development and to promote as a walking and cycle route. Further criteria has been added to help consider pollution of air, noise and light.
- 6.12 The following policies have been amended and screened in D3 Assessment.
- BR10- Added further criteria to policy regarding neighbouring amenity.
 - BR11- Added further criteria to policy regarding road safety.
 - BR12- Added further criteria to policy regarding road safety and support of cycle provision.
 - BR15- Site deleted at Bannutree effecting housing figures.
- 6.12 Following rescreening, these amendments have not specifically changed the outcomes of the SEA.

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 Indeed, 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

- 8.1 This report will be subject to a formal public consultation of 6 weeks duration alongside the submission Bridstow NDP.
- 8.2 Any changes made to the NDP as a consequence of the Regulation 16 consultation and examination process 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)

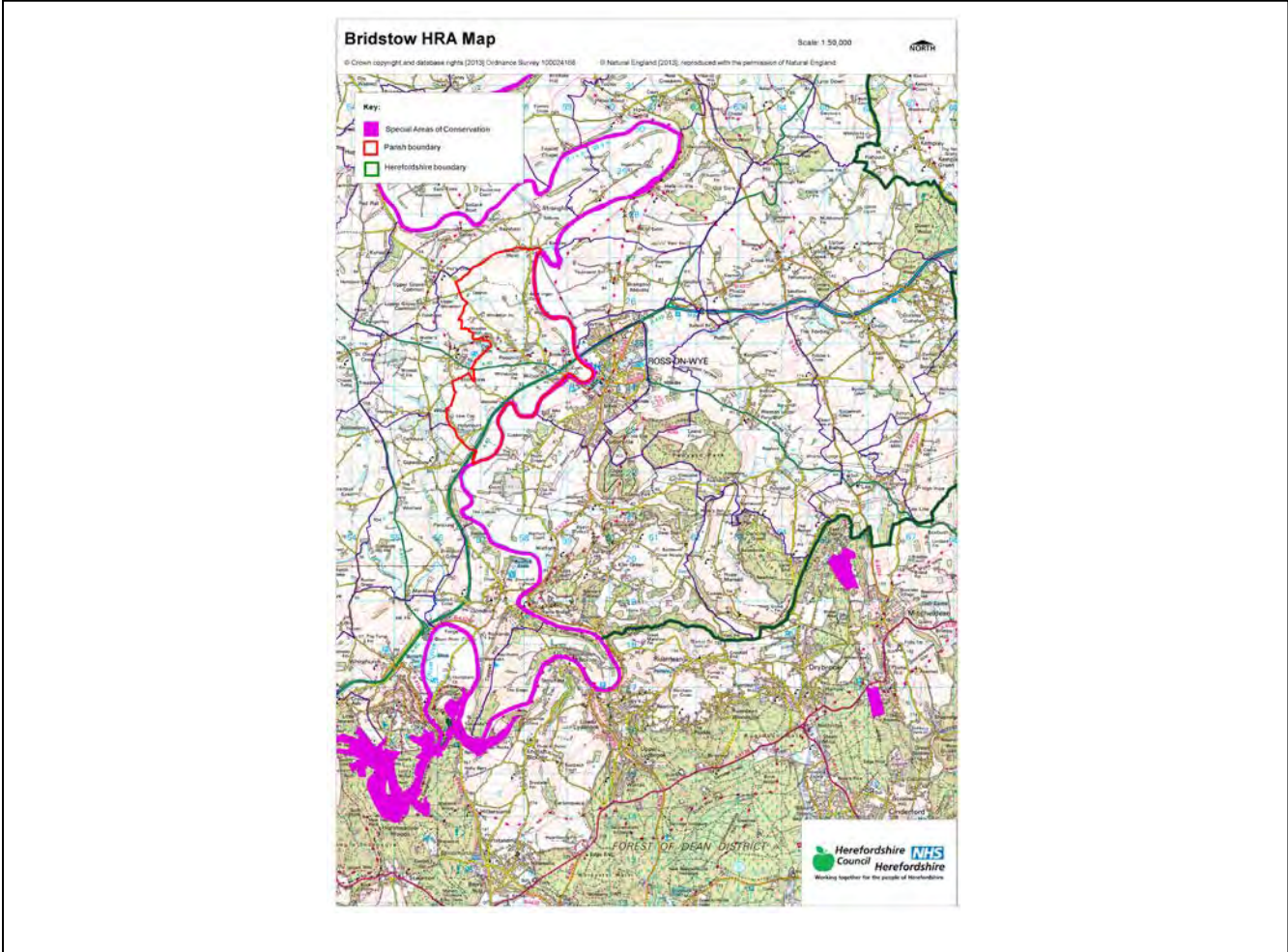
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Parish Council:	Bridstow Parish Council
Neighbourhood Area Designation Date:	23 rd September 2013

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.

**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?	Y	The River Wye runs along the eastern border of the Parish
Is the Neighbourhood Area in the hydrological catchment of the River Wye (including the River Lugg) SAC?	Y	The Parish is within the hydrological catchment of the River Wye
If yes above, does the Neighbourhood Area have mains drainage to deal with foul sewage?	N	There is no mains drainage within the Parish

Downton Gorge SAC:

Is the Neighbourhood Area within 10km of Downton Gorge SAC?	N	Downton Gorge is 48.1km away from the Parish
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River Clun SAC:

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

Is the Neighbourhood Area within 10km of the SAC boundary?	N	Usk Bat Sites are 38.3km away from the Parish
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Wye Valley & Forest of Dean Bat Sites SAC:

Is the Neighbourhood Area within 10km of any of the individual sites that make up the Wye Valley & Forest of Dean Bat Sites?	Y	The Parish is 7.1km away from Wye Valley and Forest of Dean Bat Sites
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Wye Valley Woodlands SAC:

Is the Neighbourhood Area within 10km of any of the individual sites that make up the Wye Valley Woodlands Site?	Y	The Parish is 8.5km away from the Wye Valley Woodlands
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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 Bridstow 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

Wye Valley & Forest of Dean Bat Sites SAC

Wye Valley Woodlands 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 Bridstow 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	0	There are no Ancient Woodlands within the Parish	N
Areas of Archaeological Interest	0	There are no AAls within the parish	N
Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty	1	Wye Valley AONB	Y
Conservation Areas	2	Ross on Wye Conservation Area is in the south east of the Parish; Peterstow village (border)	Y
European Sites	1	The River Wye borders the eastern edge of the Parish	Y
Flood Areas		Flood Zones 2 and 3 run along the River Wye on the eastern borders of the Parish, and through a brook/stream from east to west, running north of Bridstow, through Poolmill and exiting the Parish by Buckcastle Hill	Y
Listed Buildings	Numerous	There are numerous Listed Buildings throughout the Parish	Y
Local Sites (SWS/SINCS/RIGS)	5 (SWS)	Fields near Wellsbrook Farm (border); Wells Brook; Marsh near Bridstow Church; Marsh near Bridstow; River Wye	Y
Long distance footpaths/trails (e.g. Herefordshire Trail)	1	Herefordshire Trail	Y
Mineral Reserves	7	Blackfields (border); 3 x sites in and around Bridstow village; North of Ross/Blackfields x 2 (border); 1 x unlabelled site by The Homme (border)	Y
National Nature Reserve	0	There are no NNRs within the Parish	N
Registered & Unregistered parks and gardens	7 Unregistered	Moraston House; Ashe Ingen Court; The Prospect (border); Merton House (border); John Kyrles Garden (border); John Kyrles Walk (border); Caradoc Court (border)	Y
Scheduled Ancient Monuments	3	Wilton Castle; Wilton Bridge (border); Churchyard Cross at St Bridget's Churchyard	Y
Sites of Special Scientific Interest	2	River Wye (Unfavourable Recovering); Wilton Bluff (Favourable) (border)	Y

Decision Notification:

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

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

Assessment date: 12/08/2013

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: <i>Tilio-Acerion</i> 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 <i>Margaritifera margaritifera</i>
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 <i>Ranunculion fluitantis</i> and <i>Callitricho-Batrachion</i> vegetation. Transition mires and quaking bogs. White-clawed (or Atlantic Stream) crayfish <i>Austropotamobius pallipes</i> . Sea lamprey <i>Petromyzon marinus</i> . Brook lamprey <i>Lampetra planeri</i> . River lamprey <i>Lampetra fluviatilis</i> . Twaite shad <i>Alosa fallax</i> . Atlantic salmon <i>Salmo salar</i> . Bullhead <i>Cottus gobio</i> . Otter <i>Lutra lutra</i> . Allis shad <i>Alosa alosa</i>
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 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.

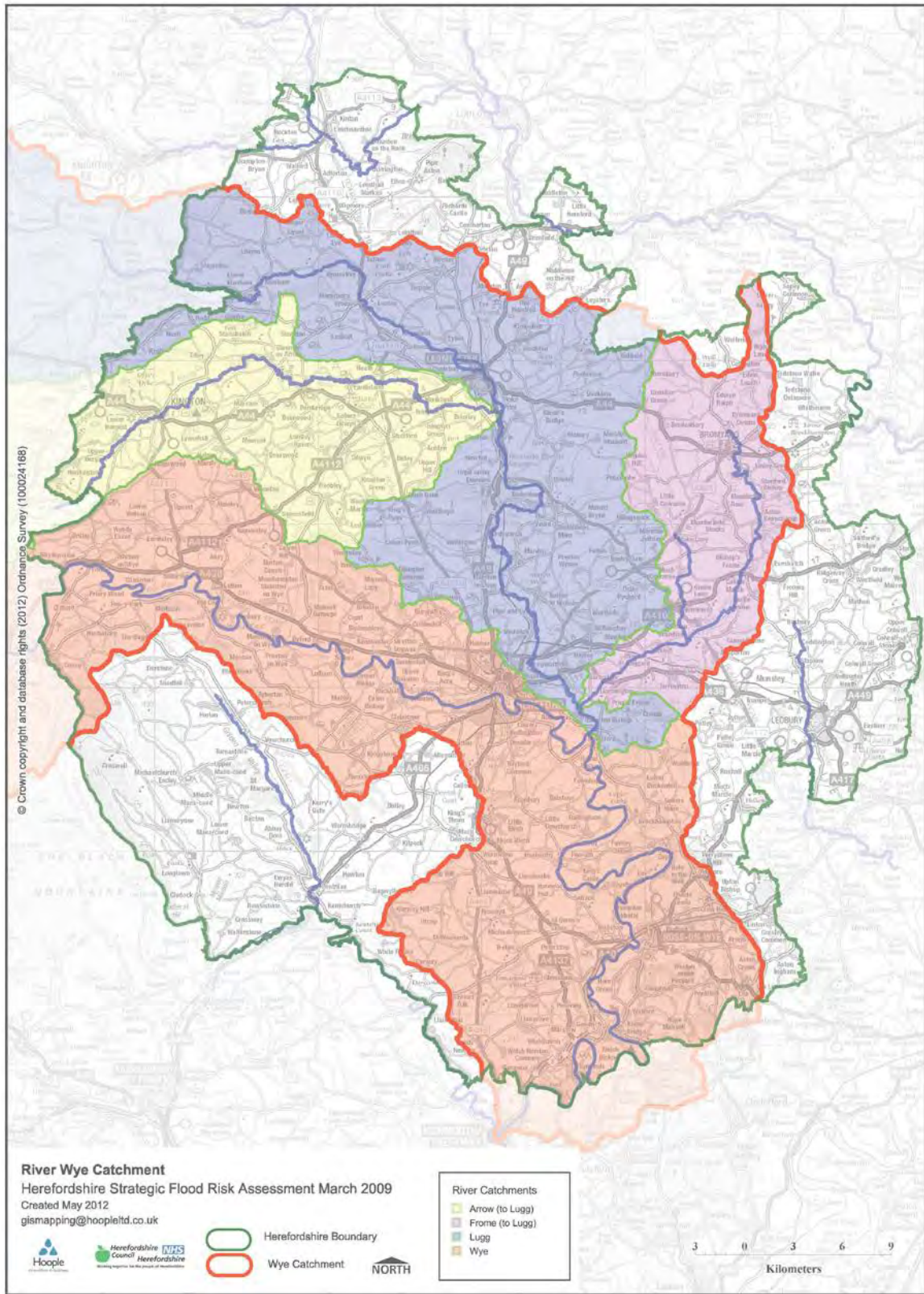
Greater Horseshoe Bat: Large buildings, pasture, edge of mixed deciduous woodland and hedgerows. Mixed land-use especially south-facing slopes, favours beetles, moths and insects they feed on. During the winter they depend on caves, abandoned mines and other underground sites for undisturbed hibernation. 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

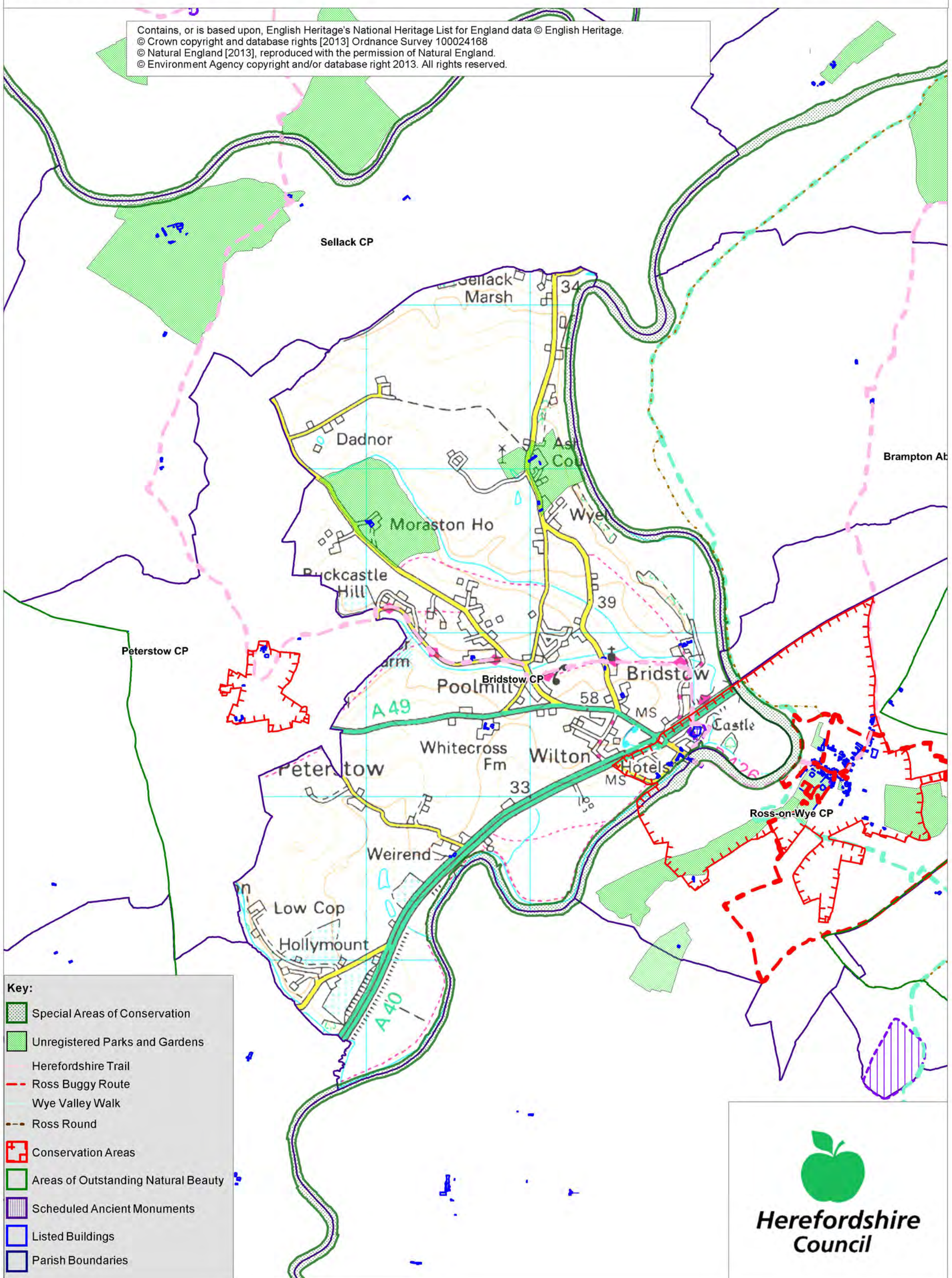


Bridstow SEA Map 1

Scale: 1:20,000



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Key:

- Special Areas of Conservation
- Unregistered Parks and Gardens
- Herefordshire Trail
- Ross Buggy Route
- Wye Valley Walk
- Ross Round
- Conservation Areas
- Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty
- Scheduled Ancient Monuments
- Listed Buildings
- Parish Boundaries

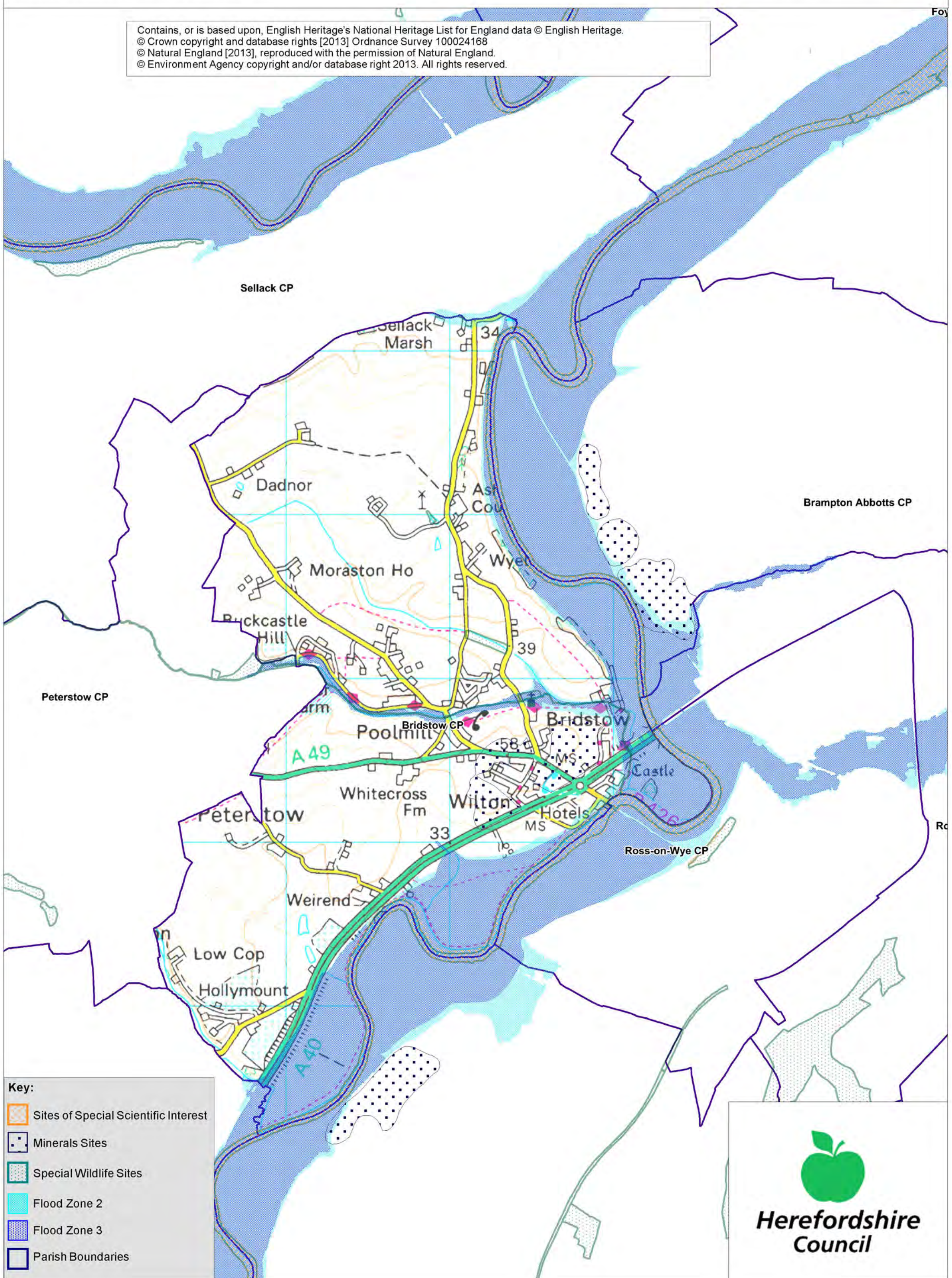


Bridstow SEA Map 2

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Key:

- Sites of Special Scientific Interest
- Minerals Sites
- Special Wildlife Sites
- Flood Zone 2
- Flood Zone 3
- Parish Boundaries

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Appendix 2

Strategic Environmental Assessment



Bridstow Neighbourhood Area

Scoping Report

June 2015

Consultation on the Scoping Report

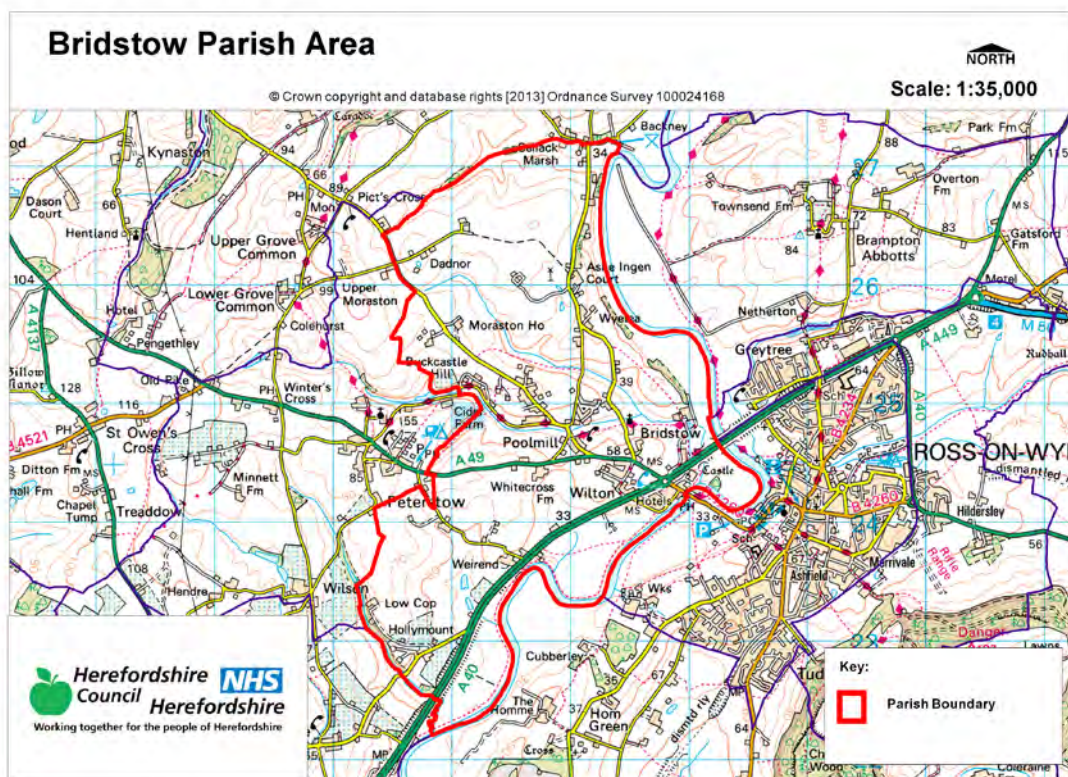
The aim of the consultation process is to involve and engage with statutory consultees and other relevant bodies on the scope of the appraisal. In particular, it seeks to:

- 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. Historic England;
3. Environment Agency.



Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biodiversity Cultural heritage and the landscape 	The Neighbourhood Plan 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water 	The Neighbourhood Plan should be compliant with all the relevant legislation and regulations.

¹ Derived from the LDF General Scoping Report (June 2007)

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	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 style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Soil 	The Neighbourhood Plan 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) ¹	Implications for the NDP and SEA
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.	<p>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.</p> <p>There are provisions to consider extending the right in the future to coastal land, but not woodland despite some early publicity suggesting this.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Soil 	The Neighbourhood Plan should be compliant with all the relevant legislation and regulations.
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	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 style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Soil 	The Neighbourhood Plan 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) ¹	Implications for the NDP and SEA
			policy.			
Revised EU Sustainable Development strategy	European Union 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.	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 style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate change and clean energy; • Sustainable transport • Sustainable production and consumption; • Public health threats; • Better management of natural resources; • Social inclusion, demography and migration; • Fighting global poverty. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air • Climate factors • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Population and human health 	The Neighbourhood Plan should take into account the objectives of the strategy. The aim of sustainable development should be implicit in its approach.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 style="list-style-type: none"> • Air • Biodiversity • Climatic factors • Cultural heritage • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Population • Soil • Water 	The guidance contained within the section on Neighbourhood Planning should be borne in mind during the preparation of the NDP.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	Implications for the NDP and SEA
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 style="list-style-type: none"> • Air • Biodiversity • Climatic factors • Cultural heritage • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Population • Soil • Water 	The NDP must be pro-growth and facilitate the provision and development of sustainable development.
Herefordshire Core Strategy, Pre-submission document 2011-2031	Development Plan Document (DPD)	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.	<p>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.</p> <p>The Core Strategy includes a range of objectives, five of which directly relate to rural areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To meet the housing needs of all sections of the community. • To improve access to services in rural areas. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air • Biodiversity • Climate factors • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Population and human health • Soil • Water 	<p>The NDP should take account of relevant policies set within in the Core Strategy.</p> <p>Where necessary, the NDP should provide services, facilities and employment opportunities that are accessible to both local and neighbouring communities.</p>

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	Implications for the NDP and SEA
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To strengthen the economic viability of the villages and their rural hinterlands • To achieve sustainable communities and protect the environment • To conserve, promote, utilise and enjoy our natural, built, historic and cultural assets for the fullest benefit of the whole community. <p>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.</p> <p>Seeks proportional growth of 14% between Bridstow and Wilton (Ross HMA) over the plan period.</p>		<p>The following settlements are the focus for proportionate growth: Bridstow and Wilton.</p>

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Herefordshire Local Transport Plan 3 (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 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 style="list-style-type: none"> • Air • Climate factors • Population and human health 	The LTP does not explore current transport issues in the Bridstow Neighbourhood Plan area, but any new development proposed through the NDP should seek to reduce the environmental impacts of transport.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Understanding Herefordshire Report	Built and natural environment	2014	<p>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</p> <p>Enable development for economy and housing to required levels.</p> <p>Growth should be supported by sustainable transport measures.</p>	An air quality management plan is in place to tackle this. Destination Hereford project is in place to give locals more sustainable transport options.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air • Climate factors • Population and human health 	None identified.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Wye Valley AONB management Plan 2009-2014	Corporate	2009	The Management Plan is the prime document which sets out the vision for the area and the priorities for its management.	<p>To conserve and enhance the natural beauty of the area.</p> <p>The Plan has strategic objectives linked to various themes: Landscape; biodiversity; geodiversity; historic environment; farming; woodlands, trees and forestry; development and transport.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air • Biodiversity • Climate factors • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Population and human health • Soil • Water 	The Bridstow Neighbourhood Plan Area is entirely within the Wye Valley AONB so will need to comply with the Wye Valley AONB Management Plan

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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.	<p>The document outlines the path and direction to foster economic vitality within Herefordshire. Key objectives therefore include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 style="list-style-type: none"> • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Material assets • Population and human health 	None of merit.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	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.	<p>This study covers existing employment sites in Hereford, the five market towns and their rural hinterlands.</p> <p>There are no employment land allocations within Bridstow at present and so the study does not identify sites which are worthy of continued protection from alternative uses. Nor does it make any recommendations in respect of employment need within the neighbourhood area.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Material assets • Population and human health 	None of merit; however the NDP process may have to explore whether there is any employment need locally and if so whether there is any scope for providing employment land and premises.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Herefordshire Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA)	Evidence	2009	<p>The SHLAA aims to justify site allocations in plans by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifying sites which are capable of delivering housing development Assessing sites for their housing potential; and Predicting when a site could be developed for housing. 	The SHLAA does not assess any sites within the neighbourhood area.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Air Biodiversity Climate factors Cultural heritage and the landscape Flora and fauna Population and human health Soil Water 	Site allocations should be informed by a housing land assessment, undertaken in line with Guidance Note 21: Site assessment and allocation sites.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	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.	<p>Bridstow falls within the Ross on Wye HMA. Here, the study reveals that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 55% of households are unable to afford market housing. • There is an annual requirement for 58 affordable dwellings between 2012 and 2017. <p>The study identifies that in the Ross on Wye HMA, there is a need for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1230 market houses • 820 affordable houses. <p>The study highlights that within the Ross HMA the overall estimated housing need by size 2012-2017 is as follows:</p> <p>1 Bed - 54.4%, 2 bed -18.4%, 3 bed – 28.2%, 4 bed – minus 1.1%</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air • Biodiversity • Climate factors • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Flora and fauna • Population and human health • Soil • Water 	<p>The LHMA provides an indication of housing needs and affordability within the Ross on Wye HMA.</p> <p>It provides evidence that could be used to inform policies or market and affordable housing requirements in the NDP.</p>
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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.	<p>The delivery of 5,300 homes in the rural areas would:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support growth in the rural population by 6% • Increase the number of households by 14.5% <p>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.</p> <p>Moderate growth is expected in the 30-44 and 60-74 age brackets.</p> <p>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.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air • Biodiversity • Climate factors • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Population and human health • Soil • Water 	<p>This study provides an indication of housing requirements in the rural areas and the Ross on Wye HMA.</p> <p>This evidence can be used to inform the content of the Bridstow NDP, which could include policies to facilitate the provision of the right types of homes in the right places.</p>

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Herefordshire Rural Housing Background Report	Evidence	2013	Provides the justification for the proportional housing growth targets outlined in the Core Strategy	The villages of Bridstow and Wilton are RA1 settlements, which means they are considered sustainable locations for proportional growth of 14%.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air • Biodiversity • Climate factors • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Population and human health • Soil • Water 	The Bridstow NDP will need to be in conformity with the provisions of Policy RA1.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Herefordshire Draft Gypsies and Travellers Assessment	Evidence	2013	Assesses the accommodation needs of Gypsies and Travellers across Herefordshire.	<p>Key findings from the survey of Gypsy and Traveller households in 2012 found that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 31% of households surveyed have some sort of accommodation need • Of the 17 households with an accommodation need, 7 had a requirement for at least one additional pitch • 10 households had a requirement for bricks and mortar housing • There is an additional requirement for 7 pitches and 9 units of Registered Social Landlord accommodation within Herefordshire. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air • Biodiversity • Climate factors • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Population and human health • Soil • Water 	The Bridstow 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) ¹	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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biodiversity 	The NDP can help to achieve the LBAP priorities.
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 style="list-style-type: none"> Air Biodiversity Climate factors Cultural heritage and the landscape Flora and fauna Material assets Population and human health Soil Water 	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 Bridstow NDP can overcome any existing constraints and capitalise on opportunities to enhance habitats and their networks.

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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 style="list-style-type: none"> • Air • Biodiversity • Climate factors • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Population and human health • Soil • Water 	The study provides evidence that could be taken into account when preparing policies for the Bridstow NDP.
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.	<p>The total energy demand excluding transport for Herefordshire, at that point in time, was calculated as being:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Electrical: 731 GWh/yr • Heat: 1,810 GWh/yr • Total: 2,541 GWh/yr <p>There is scope for all types of renewable energy production.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air • Biodiversity • Climate factors • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Population and human health • Soil • Water 	The study provides evidence that could be taken into account when preparing policies for the Bridstow NDP.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	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.	<p>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.</p> <p>In terms of Bridstow NDP itself, the study reveals that there is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0.99 ha of playing pitch area (at the Primary School) <p>There are no hectares of playing pitch area with secured community access.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biodiversity Cultural heritage and the landscape Flora and fauna Material assets Population and human health 	<p>The study provides evidence that could be taken into account when preparing policies for the Bridstow NDP.</p> <p>Additional local evidence may be required to identify if there is a need for any secured playing pitch facilities within the Group Parish.</p>

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	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.	<p>The study reveals that within the Bridstow NDP area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extensive under provision of parks and gardens • Extensive over provision of natural and semi-natural green space • Extensive under provision of amenity green space and outdoor sport • Average provision for children and young people. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity • Climate factors • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Population and human health 	The open space audit and assessment does not give a specific indication of open space shortfalls and surpluses in Bridstow.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	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.	With no formal play provision available in the villages in the Bridstow NDP area, there may be potential for developing an objective related to provision in neighbouring parishes, especially Ross on Wye.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity • Climate factors • Cultural heritage and the landscape • Flora and fauna • Material assets • Population and human health 	The study provides evidence that could be taken into account when preparing policies for the Bridstow NDP.

Plans and Programmes	Type of document	Date	Overview	Key message, target/objective/indicator	SEA topic(s) ¹	Implications for the NDP and SEA
Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) and Water Cycle Study	Evidence	2009	<p>The Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) provides a summary of flood risk in Herefordshire to inform the location of future development.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>The Lower Wye is classified as having the highest risk of fluvial flood in the county.</p> <p>Bridstow NDP lies within the Ross on Wye Water Resource Zone (WRZ).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 'Annual Average' scenario is in surplus • The 'Critical Period' scenario however is in surplus until 2017, and then the supply is equal to demand from that point on. <p>The overall Water Directive Framework status of the River Wye in the Bridstow area is 'good'.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity • Climate factors • Material assets • Population and human health • Water 	<p>New development proposed through the Bridstow NDP should be assessed against the capacity of local infrastructure.</p> <p>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 Bridstow NDP.</p>

Appendix A2 – Baseline information for Bridstow

N.B. This is based on countywide baseline information with some additions relevant to Bridstow (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 ¹	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
SEA Topic covered by objective: <i>Biodiversity, flora and fauna</i>							
13. Value, maintain, restore and expand county biodiversity.	Natural environment	Net change in condition of SSSIs across Herefordshire.	The 2011-2013 AMR does not contain updated conservation data. 2010/11: 27% of Herefordshire's SSSI land was in favourable condition. <i>Within or near the Bridstow NDP area there are 2 SSSIs: River Wye (Unfavourable Recovering); Wilton Bluff (Favourable) (border).</i>	2006: 22% 2007: 22% 2008: 22% 2010: 24 % Proportion of SSSI land that was in unfavourable condition but recovering increased between 2010 and 2012 going from 41% to 65%. Proportion in unfavourable and declining condition had also decreased from 4% to 1%.	% 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)	Herefordshire's SSSIs are in extremely poor condition relative to England as whole, where 96.1% of all SSSI land was in favourable condition in April 2014. The proportion of SSSI in unfavourable condition but recovering is greater than England as a whole, where the figure currently stands at 58.6%.	Understanding Herefordshire: An integrated needs assessment (June 2013). NE & DEFRA Website July 2014

¹ Derived from the Pre Submission Core Strategy Sustainability Appraisal Assessment (May 2014)

SA Objective ¹	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
13. Value, maintain, restore and expand county biodiversity.	Natural environment	After use of mineral sites especially wildlife habitat creation	<i>There is no countywide or locally specific data available at present.</i>	-	Percentage of opportunities taken	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	-

SA Objective ¹	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
13. Value, maintain, restore and expand county biodiversity.	Natural environment	Phosphate levels within the River Wye SAC and adjoining tributaries that receive increased phosphates from proportional growth.	<p>Bridstow falls within the River Wye SAC, and is within the Lower River Wye sub-catchment</p> <p>The lower River Wye, downstream of the Lugg confluence, has not been assessed separately as the assumption is that if the targets are achievable upstream of the confluence, then the targets downstream would also be achieved, based on current growth projections.</p> <p>The River Wye Upstream of the Lugg confluence is only just meeting the Phosphate targets and meeting its conservation objectives.</p> <p>The River Lugg is currently exceeding its phosphate targets so failing its conservation objectives</p>	The River Wye SAC was subject to a review of consents in 2010, as a number of sections of the river were found to have greater phosphate levels than those identified in Natural England's favourable condition tables.	Successful completion of the Nutrient Management Plan will provide future targets	New development within the area could lead to the water quality failing the phosphate levels and conservation objectives.	Nutrient Management Plan
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SA Objective ¹	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
13. Value, maintain, restore and expand county biodiversity.	Natural environment	Changes to protected habitats and impacts of species within the Herefordshire Local Biodiversity Action Plan.	<p>The 2011-2013 AMR does not contain updated conservation data.</p> <p>2010/11: 17 Habitat Action Plans and 14 Species Action Plans are currently in operation across Herefordshire.</p> <p><i>There is no locally specific data available at present.</i></p>	<p>There are no formal records of any unacceptable adverse impacts on habitats or protected species.</p> <p>Originally 156 Priority Species were identified for inclusion in Herefordshire's LBAP.</p> <p>Similarly Herefordshire's LBAP covered 23 habitats with Action Plans.</p>	<p>To protect and where possible enhance the habitats of protected species identified.</p> <p>No net losses.</p>	<p>Herefordshire Biological Records Centre (HBRC) holds limited data on some individual sites.</p>	<p>Herefordshire Council AMR (2010/11)</p>

SA Objective ¹	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
13. Value, maintain, restore and expand county biodiversity.	Natural environment	Changes in the areas of designated nature conservation sites as a consequence of planning permission.	<p>Bridstow has:</p> <p>SSSI: 2 SWS: 5 Fields near Wellsbrook Farm (border), Wells Brook, Marsh near Bridstow Church, Marsh near Bridstow, River Wye</p> <p>There are no NNRs, SINC and LNRs within the parish.</p>	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 enhance the areas of value to nature conservation as much as possible.	Herefordshire Biological Records Centre (HBRC) holds limited data on some individual sites.	Herefordshire Council Initial Screening Report for the Neighbourhood Plan 2013

SA Objective ¹	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
13. Value, maintain, restore and expand county biodiversity.	Natural environment	Proportion of local sites where positive conservation management has or is being implemented.	The Parish Area has the following landscape types: Principal settled farmlands; Riverside meadows.	-	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)
SEA Topic covered by objectives: <i>Material assets</i>							
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 qualitative, locally specific data available at present, there are numerous listed buildings and 3 scheduled monuments in	-	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 (search June 2014).

SA Objective ¹	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
			Bridstow according to the latest version of the register.				
14. Use natural resources and energy more efficiently.	Resource consumption and climate change	Monitoring changes to historic landscapes.	Historic Landscape Character assessments have only been undertaken for Hereford City. Rapid townscape Assessments (2010) were only undertaken for Hereford, Ledbury and Ross.	-	No specific targets identified.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	Historic Landscape Character Assessment for Hereford. Rapid townscape Assessments (2010)
SEA Topic covered by objective: <i>Population, Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna</i>							
15. Value, protect, enhance and restore the landscape quality of Herefordshire, including its rural areas and open spaces.	Natural environment	Number of developments meeting and surpassing national design standards.	<i>There is no countywide or locally specific data available at present.</i>	-	No specific targets identified.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	-

SA Objective ¹	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
15. Value, protect, enhance and 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 aspects of local loss of heritage assets and locally important buildings particularly within a conservation area.	Countywide data would be too large to incorporate into this template. There are no outstanding enforcement actions or appeals concerning local loss of heritage assets and locally important buildings within Bridstow NDP area at present.	No historic records of any planning enforcement action or appeals concerning locally important buildings within the Bridstow NDP.	To wherever possible improve upon or otherwise maintain current status.	Current status must be verified by Dvt Mgt and Enforcement Officers, but the NDP can help to avoid enforcement action and appeals during the plan period.	Council Dvt Mgt records (searched March 2015)
SEA Topic covered by objective: <i>Climatic Factors</i>							

SA Objective ¹	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.	Transport patronage by mode	<p>% of Herefordshire residents who travel to work by:</p> <p>Car: 70.1% Foot: 14.7% Bicycle: 4.3% Bus: 2% Train: 0.8% Motorbike: 0.8% Taxi: 0.3% Other: 7%</p> <p><i>There is no locally specific data available at present</i></p>	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 lesser polluting modes 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 ¹	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.	<i>There is no countywide or locally specific data available at present.</i>	-	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 ¹	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	<p>Latest figure dates back to 2010: 1.61 million tonnes (mtCO₂)</p> <p>There is no locally specific data available at present.</p>	<p>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%).</p>	To reduce the overall carbon emissions.	CO ₂ emissions produced are decreasing.	Understanding Herefordshire: An integrated needs assessment (June 2013).

SA Objective ¹	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
SEA Topic covered by objective: <i>Water</i>							
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.	2010/11: None 2011/13: Not specified 2013/14: None <i>There is no locally specific data available at present.</i>	There have been no approvals contrary to EA advice since reporting began in 2004.	To have no applications permitted contrary to EA advice.	None identified.	Herefordshire Council AMR (2013/14)
SEA Topic covered by objective: <i>Water, air, soil, material assets</i>							
18. Minimise local and global pollution and protect or enhance environmental resources.	Natural environment	Agricultural land usage by quality . LA to monitor the number of hectares of the best and most versatile agricultural land (grades 3a and higher) lost to development.	The agricultural land classification around Bridstow is mainly Grade 2 (Very Good) with small patches of Excellent (Grade 1). Along the river the land is classed as Grade 3 (Good to Moderate).	-	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.	DEFRA 'Magic' website for land classification March 2015

SA Objective ¹	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 figures for the county as a whole dates back to 2005 when there was considered to be 84% assessed as good or very good. This represents a decrease in the % since 2002 <i>There is no locally specific data available at present.</i>	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 (2007) Water Framework Directive (2000)
SEA Topic covered by objective: <i>Soil</i>							
19. Ensure integrated, efficient and balanced land use.	Built environment	Percentage of all new development completed on previously developed land.	2010/11: 67% 2011-13: 57% 2013-14: 65% <i>There is no locally specific data available at present.</i>	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 (2010/11),(2011-2013) and (2013-2014)

SA Objective ¹	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
19. Ensure integrated, efficient and balanced land use.	Built environment	Housing densities in urban and rural areas	<i>There is no countywide or locally specific data available at present.</i>	-	No specific targets identified.	Should be monitored through AMR following the adoption of the Core Strategy, in line with SA recommendations.	-
19. Ensure integrated, efficient and balanced land use.	Built environment	Level of development in urban areas compared to rural.	<i>There is no countywide or locally specific data available at present.</i> This indicator would not be applicable to rural NDPs.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
SEA Topic covered by objective: <i>Cultural heritage</i>							

SA Objective ¹	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
20. Value, protect and enhance the character and built quality of settlements and neighbourhoods and the county's heritage assets, including conservation areas, historic environment and cultural heritage.	Built environment	Number and percentage of listed buildings and Scheduled Ancient Monuments on Buildings at Risk Register (English Heritage).	<p>Up-to-date countywide information will be presented in the next AMR and which is due to be published in 2014. However, this data would be too large to incorporate into this template.</p> <p>There are numerous listed buildings within the parish and three Scheduled Ancient Monuments. None of these are currently recorded in the Buildings at Risk Register.</p> <p>The Conservation Area in Ross and Bridstow is however described as being in a 'very bad' condition, with a 'high' vulnerability and a 'deteriorating' trend.</p>	There were 79 heritage assets in Herefordshire that were considered to be at high risk and included in the Heritage at Risk Register 2014.	Promote opportunities to achieve the removal of heritage assets from the at risk register, and to wherever possible improve upon or otherwise maintain current status..	None of Bridstow's listed buildings or SAMs are considered to be at risk at present, however the Conservation Area as a whole is at risk.	Heritage at Risk Register (English Heritage; search March 2015)

SA Objective ¹	SA Theme	Proposed indicator	Current status	Trends	Targets	Issues and constraints	Baseline (information) source
20. Value, protect and enhance the character and built quality of settlements and neighbourhoods and the county's heritage assets, including conservation areas, historic environment and cultural heritage.	Built environment	The need for, frequency and outcomes of planning enforcement investigations/ planning appeals concerning aspects of local loss of heritage assets, locally important buildings within the parish and particularly within a conservation area.	Countywide data would be too large to incorporate into this template. There are no outstanding enforcement actions or appeals concerning local loss of heritage assets locally important buildings particularly within conservation areas within the Bridstow NDP area.	No historic records of any planning enforcement action or appeals concerning locally important buildings within the two conservation areas.	To wherever possible improve upon or otherwise maintain current status	Current status must be verified by Dvt Mgt and Enforcement Officers, but the NDP can help to avoid enforcement action and appeals during the plan period.	Council Dvt Mgt records (searched March 2015)

Appendix A3 – Environmental issues identified from the Bridstow baseline

These environmental issues are the same as most of those identified for the Herefordshire Core Strategy¹

SEA Topic		Environmental issue	SA objectives
1	Air	High reliance upon the private car causing high levels of air pollution and in Hereford in particular	Objective 16
		Need to reduce carbon emissions by encouraging alternative modes of travel.	
2	Biodiversity	Habitats and species of national, regional and local importance are under pressure from the adaptation and diversification of farming and forestry employment.	Objectives 13 &15
		Habitats and species of national, regional and local importance are under pressure from development	
		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	Bridstow has numerous Scheduled Ancient Monuments and 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
		Need to avoid enforcement investigations/action concerning locally important buildings and those within conservation areas in particular.	
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

¹ Derived from the Pre-submission Core Strategy Sustainability Appraisal Assessment (May 2014) and LDF General Scoping Report (June 2007)

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
		Steady decline in the chemical quality of rivers over the last 10 years.	

SEA Topics	SA Objective	SEA Objective	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
Nature Conservation (Biodiversity, flora and fauna)	Value, maintain, restore or expand county biodiversity. Value, protect, enhance or restore the landscape quality of Herefordshire, including its rural areas and open spaces.	To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protect or enhance habitats of international, national, regional or local importance. Protect international, national, regional or locally important terrestrial or aquatic species. Maintain wildlife corridors and minimise fragmentation of ecological areas and green spaces Manage access to sites in a sustainable way that protects or enhances their nature conservation value Create new appropriate habitats. Value, enhance and protect natural environmental assets including AONB's, historic landscapes, open spaces, parks and gardens and their settings. Encourage local stewardship of local environments, for example by promoting best practices in agricultural management. 	Net change in condition of SSSIs across Herefordshire.	% 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)
				After use of mineral sites especially wildlife habitat creation	Percentage of opportunities taken
				Changes to protected habitats and impacts of species within the Herefordshire Local Biodiversity Action Plan.	To protect and where possible enhance the habitats of protected species identified. No net losses.

SEA Topics	SA Objective	SEA Objective	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure that environmental impacts caused by mineral operations and the transport of minerals are minimised. Promote the use of rural areas and open space by all, encourage easy non-car based access, and accommodate the needs of disabled users. 		
Landscape	Not covered in SA	<p>To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes</p> <p>To improve quality of surroundings</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protect and enhance the landscape everywhere and particularly in designated areas. Value and protect diversity and local distinctiveness. Improve landscape and ecological quality and character of the countryside. Improve the quantity and quality of publicly accessible open space. Improve satisfaction of people with their neighbourhoods as places to live. Decrease litter and graffiti in towns and countryside. Result in the loss of open space. 	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 as much as possible.
				Proportion of local sites where positive conservation management has or is being implemented.	No specific targets identified.
				Monitoring changes to historic landscapes.	No specific targets identified.
				Area resulting in a loss of open space as a result of planning permission	No specific targets identified

SEA Topics	SA Objective	SEA Objective	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
Heritage	Value, protect or enhance the character and built quality of settlements and neighbourhoods and the county's heritage assets, historic environment and cultural heritage.	To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment , heritage assets and culture heritage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preserve, protect and enhance heritage assets including conservation areas, listed buildings, archaeological sites and other culturally important features in both urban and rural settings. • Prevent development which is inappropriate in scale, form or design to its setting or to its function or local area. • 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. • Encourage cleanliness and/or improve the general appearance of the area. 	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.	To improve upon or otherwise maintain current status.
				Number and percentage of listed buildings and Scheduled Ancient Monuments on Buildings at Risk Register (English Heritage).	To improve upon or otherwise maintain current status.
				Ensure that Herefordshire Council's Sites and Monuments Register is kept up to date.	No specific targets identified, but need to ensure that the register is kept up to date.

SEA Topics	SA Objective	SEA Objective	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
Air and Climate	Minimise local and global pollution and protect or enhance environmental resources. Reduce Herefordshire's vulnerability to the impacts of climate change as well as its contribution to the problem.	To improve air quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimise water, air, soil, groundwater, noise and light pollution from current activities and the potential for such pollution. Protect or enhance the quality of watercourses. Provide opportunities to improve soil quality or reduce contaminated land. Reduce the county's contribution to climate change by reducing greenhouse gas emissions from transport, domestic, commercial and industrial sources. Increase the proportion of energy generated from renewable and low carbon sources including by micro-generation, Combined Heat and Power (CHP), district heating and in transportation. 	Transport patronage by mode	To increase the take up of alternative modes to the private car.
		To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment		Number of decentralised energy schemes granted permission.	To contribute towards the national target.
		To reduce contributions to climate change		Total CO2 emissions per capita	To reduce the overall carbon emissions.
		To reduce vulnerability to climate change			

SEA Topics	SA Objective	SEA Objective	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
Water	Reduce the risk of flooding and the resulting detriment to public well-being, the economy and the environment. Minimise local and global pollution and protect or enhance environmental resources.	To improve water quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce flood risk both presently and taking into account climate change. • Prevent inappropriate development of the floodplain, and include flood protection systems. • Include sustainable urban drainage systems where appropriate. • Minimise water, air, soil, groundwater, noise and light pollution from current activities and the potential for such pollution. • Protect or enhance the quality of watercourses. 	Number of planning permissions granted contrary to the advice of the Environment Agency on flood defence grounds.	To have no applications permitted contrary to EA advice.
		To provide for sustainable sources of water supply		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.
		To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk		Phosphate levels within the River Wye SAC and adjoining tributaries that receive increased phosphates from proportional growth.	To meet the targets set out in the Nutrient Management Plan (2014)

SEA Topics	SA Objective	SEA Objective	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
Soil	<p>Minimise local and global pollution and protect or enhance environmental resources.</p> <p>Ensure integrated, efficient and balanced land use.</p>	<p>To conserve soil resources and quality</p> <p>Ensure integrated, efficient and balanced land use.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimise water, air, soil, groundwater, noise and light pollution from current activities and the potential for such pollution. Provide opportunities to improve soil quality or reduce contaminated land. 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. 	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.
				Amount of land identified as best and most versatile agricultural land lost to development.	Measure the number of hectares of best and most versatile soil lost through development.

SEA Topics	SA Objective	SEA Objective	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
Population and Human Health	Value, protect, enhance or restore the landscape quality of Herefordshire, including its rural areas and open spaces.	To improve health of the population To reduce crime and nuisance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Value, enhance and protect natural environmental assets including AONB's, historic landscapes, open spaces, parks and gardens and their settings. Encourage local stewardship of local environments, for example by promoting best practices in agricultural management. Ensure that environmental impacts caused by mineral operations and the transport of minerals are minimised. Promote the use of rural areas and open space by all, encourage easy non-car based access, and accommodate the needs of disabled users. 	Number of developments meeting and surpassing national design	No specific targets identified.

SEA Topics	SA Objective	SEA Objective	Sub-objectives/Appraisal Questions	Indicators	Targets
Material Assets	Use natural resources and energy more efficiently. Minimise local and global pollution and protect or enhance environmental resources.	To conserve natural and manmade resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximise energy efficiency and minimise the consumption of non-renewable energy i.e. from fossil fuels. • 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. • Encourage the re-use/enhancement (to high standards of sustainable resource-efficient design) of existing buildings and minimise the need for new build. • Encourage the use of clean technologies and water minimisation techniques. 	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.	Measure the number of hectares of best and most versatile soil lost through development. No specific targets identified.
				Maintaining Herefordshire Council's County Site and Monuments Register.	No specific targets identified, but need to ensure that the register is kept up to date.
				Monitoring changes to historic landscapes.	No specific targets identified.
				Agricultural land usage by quality	Measure the number of hectares of best and most versatile soil lost through development.

Appendix 3

Date: 23 July 2015
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Dear Mr Latham

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

Bridstow;
Clehonger;
Credenhill;
Dormington & Mordiford Group;
Holme Lacy;
Leintwardine Group;
Little Dewchurch;
Llanwarne & District Group;
Moreton on Lugg;
Tarrington;
Yarpole Group.

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated and received by Natural England on 18 June 2015.

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:

All

- [Natural Environment White Paper](#)



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 [Draft Wye Valley Management Plan 2014 -19](#).

Appendix A2 – Baseline information

Biodiversity, flora and fauna

All

Under objective-13. proposed indicators “Net changes in condition of SSSIs across Herefordshire” and “Changes in the areas of designated nature conservation sites as a consequence of planning permission”, it needs to be clearer in these sections whether the SSSIs you refer to are within or near to the neighbourhood plan area. Furthermore, reference to any relevant European protected sites for example the River Wye SAC should be included, where applicable.

Leintwardine Group

Under objective-13, the following SSSIs and SACs have not been included and are within the boundaries of the plan area: River Clun SAC/SSSI, Downtown Gorge SAC Burrington Farm Stream Section SSSI. Additionally you state that there are 3 SSSIs within the Leintwardine Group this is incorrect.

Clehonger

Credenhill

Holme Lacy

Leintwardine Group

Moreton on Lugg

Under objective-13. proposed indicators “Phosphate levels within the River Wye SAC and adjoining tributaries that received increased phosphates from proportional growth”, this needs to be expanded to give more detail and explain the local situation. Also Trends, targets and issues and constraints columns need to be completed, refer to Bridstow SEA Scoping.

Water, air, soil and material assets

All

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.

Material Assets

Little Dewchurch

Llanwarne and District Group

These development plan areas are partly within the Wye Valley AONB and therefore this should be included within this section and landscape should be clearly included in Appendix A3 and Appendix 4.

Appendix A4 – SEA Framework

All

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.

Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening

We would remind you of one of the basic conditions that a draft neighbourhood plan or Order must meet, 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'.

Clehonger

Credenhill

Dormington & Mordiford Group

Holme Lacy

Little Dewchurch

Moreton on Lugg

Tarrington

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).

LLanwarne and District Group

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

Bridstow

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.

Yarpole 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.

Leintwardine Group

We welcome this initial assessment and agree that a full screening exercise will be required to assess the impacts on the River Clun 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 only 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 consultations@naturalengland.org.uk.

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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Subject: RE: Consultation of Neighbourhood Development Plans SEA Scoping report
Attachments: neighbourhood plan pro forma.pdf; neighbourhood plan waste water treatment spreadsheet.pdf

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Good morning James.

Due to the number of separate Scoping reports I am unable to provide comments on each one individually. Therefore the attached EA Pro-Forma, and associated spreadsheet, lists what I would expect to see addressed in any forthcoming Neighbourhood Plan. The attached should be provided to the parishes to assist them moving forward.

I will comment, in detail, on the subsequent Regulation 14 and Regulation 16 plans when they are submitted.

Feel free to contact me to discuss further if necessary.

Regards.

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Subject: Consultation of Neighbourhood Development Plans SEA Scoping report

Dear Sir/Madam

Herefordshire Council are working towards adopting their Local Plan. As part of this and with the introduction of the Localism Act 2011 and of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations in 2012, Parishes within Herefordshire are undertaking the process of preparing Neighbourhood Development Plans (NDP) for their Parish.

In accordance with national and European legislation, a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) initial screening report was undertaken to determine the requirement to undertake the SEA/HRA for that Parish. A SEA Scoping Report will be prepared for each of the Neighbourhood Plans in development across Herefordshire.

Herefordshire Council has undertaken a Scoping Report for the following Parishes preparing an NDP:

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.
0 =	Neutral	A – Attainable/achievable:	NDP objectives should be achievable and deliverable, related to the scale of growth proposed
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.
? =	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.

The following matrix appraises the emerging Bridstow NDP Objectives in terms of their SMART criteria and their compatibility with the SEA Objectives. These have been developed from Government guidance on SEA and from the local evidence base gathered for identifying the NDP issues.

- 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	SEA Objectives																Conclusions	Recommendations	SMART Test of NDP objective	After SMART objectives
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16				
OB1 To preserve, and where possible, enhance the rural character and features of the Parish, including its tranquillity.	+	+	+	+	+	+	0	0	X	X	X	+	+	+	+	+	This objective covers the aspects of protecting the rural character of the parish in terms of landscape and environment. Its aim is to protect and enhance the environment of the parish. Overall having a positive impact on the environmental objectives.	None	The objective is followed by an explanation of how this objective will be achieved. Therefore objective meets all of the SMART criteria except specifying a time frame in which the objective will be achieved. This is assumed to be achieved within the plan period	To preserve, and where possible, enhance the rural character and features of the Parish, including its tranquillity.
OB2 To address the highway safety concerns of residents	0	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	X	X	0	0	+	+	+	0	This objective aims to promote highway safety, reducing traffic and highway speeds to provide a safer environment for residents. Overall having a positive impact on the environmental objectives.	None	The objective is followed by an explanation of how this objective will be achieved. Therefore objective meets all of the SMART criteria except specifying a time frame in which the objective will be achieved. This is assumed to be achieved within the plan period	To address the highway safety concerns of residents.
OB3 To ensure the network for walking and cycling is effective, increasing accessibility through these means where possible.	0	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	X	X	X	0	+	+	+	0	This objective promotes sustainable transport within the parish to alleviate traffic in the area along with providing a safer network for healthier communities to utilise and enjoy. Overall having a positive impact on the environmental objectives.	None	The objective is followed by an explanation of how this objective will be achieved. Therefore objective meets all of the SMART criteria except specifying a time frame in which the objective will be achieved. This is assumed to be achieved within the plan period	To ensure the network for walking and cycling is effective, increasing accessibility through these means where possible.
OB4 To accommodate new housing sensitively within and adjacent to the Parish's settlements, ensuring the types and sizes of dwellings meet local needs in particular.	0	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	0	0	0	0	+	+	+	0	This objective promotes sustainable housing design in keeping with the parish setting. Overall having a positive impact on the environmental objectives.	Ensure housing development a well as employment development includes sustainable design elements to reduce environmental impact	The objective is followed by an explanation of how this objective will be achieved. Therefore objective meets all of the SMART criteria except specifying a time frame in which the objective will be achieved. This is assumed to be achieved within the plan period	To accommodate new housing sensitively within and adjacent to the Parish's settlements, ensuring the types and sizes of dwellings meet local needs in particular.

<p>OB5 To support local businesses where these reflect the nature and scale of the Parish, in particular farm diversification, tourism and working from home</p>	0	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	0	0	0	0	+	+	+	0	<p>This objective promotes small scale business development. Due to the small scale nature of potential development it is unlikely to have a significant detrimental impact on the SAC. Therefore the objective does not have any negative effect the SEA objectives.</p>	None	<p>The objective is followed by an explanation of how this objective will be achieved. Therefore objective meets all of the SMART criteria except specifying a time frame in which the objective will be achieved. This is assumed to be achieved within the plan period.</p>	<p>To support local businesses where these reflect the nature and scale of the Parish, in particular farm diversification, tourism and working from home</p>
<p>OB6 To strengthen community identity and cohesion, and its health and well-being</p>	+	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	X	X	X	+	+	+	+	+	<p>This objective strives to strengthen the community Overall having a positive impact on the environmental objectives.</p>	None	<p>The objective is followed by an explanation of how this objective will be achieved. Therefore objective meets all of the SMART criteria except specifying a time frame in which the objective will be achieved. This is assumed to be achieved within the plan period</p>	<p>To strengthen community identity and cohesion, and its health and well-being</p>

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SEA Objectives	Baseline carried over from Stage A
<p>1- To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)</p> <p>2- To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes</p> <p>3- To improve quality of surroundings</p> <p>4- To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and culture heritage</p> <p>5- To improve air quality</p> <p>6- To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment</p> <p>7- To reduce contributions to climate change</p> <p>8- To reduce vulnerability to climate change</p> <p>9- To improve water quality</p> <p>10- To provide for sustainable sources of water supply</p> <p>11- To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk</p> <p>12- To conserve soil resources and quality</p> <p>13- To minimise the production of waste</p> <p>14- To improve health of the population</p> <p>15- To reduce crime and nuisance</p> <p>16- To conserve natural and manmade resources</p>	<p>1-The 2011-2013 AMR does not contain updated conservation data.2010/11: 27% of Herefordshire’s SSSI land was in favourable condition.</p> <p>The 2011-2013 AMR does not contain updated conservation data. 2010/11: 17 Habitat Action Plans and 14 Species Action Plans are currently in operation across Herefordshire. Bridstow has: SWS: 5 Fields near Wells brook Farm (border), Wells Brook, Marsh near Bridstow Church, Marsh near Bridstow, River Wye. There are no NNRs, SINC’s and LNRs within the parish. Within or near the Bridstow NDP area there are 2 SSSIs: River Wye (Unfavourable Recovering); Wilton Bluff (Favourable) (border).</p> <p>2- There are no outstanding enforcement actions or appeals concerning local loss of heritage assets and locally important buildings within Bridstow NDP area at present.</p> <p>3- With no formal play provision available in the villages in the Bridstow NDP area, there may be potential for developing an objective related to provision in neighbouring parishes, especially Ross on Wye.</p> <p>4- There are numerous listed buildings within the parish and three Scheduled Ancient Monuments. None of these are currently recorded in the Buildings at Risk Register. The Conservation Area in Ross and Bridstow is however described as being in a ‘very bad’ condition, with a ‘high’ vulnerability and a ‘deteriorating’ trend.</p> <p>5-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.</p> <p>6-% 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%.</p> <p>7-Herefordshire latest figure of CO2 emissions per capita-dates back to 2010: 1.61 million tonnes (mtCO²)</p> <p>8-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.</p> <p>9-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%.</p> <p>10- Bridstow falls within the River Wye SAC, and is within the Lower River Wye sub-catchment The lower River Wye, downstream of the Lugg confluence, has not been assessed separately as the assumption is that if the targets are achievable upstream of the confluence, then the targets downstream would also be achieved, based on current growth projections. The River Wye Upstream of the Lugg confluence is only just meeting the Phosphate targets and meeting its conservation objectives.</p> <p>11- Bridstow NDP lies within the Ross on Wye Water Resource Zone (WRZ).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ‘Annual Average’ scenario is in surplus • The ‘Critical Period’ scenario however is in surplus until 2017, and then the supply is equal to demand from that point on. <p>The overall Water Directive Framework status of the River Wye in the Bridstow area is ‘good’.</p> <p>12- The Parish Area has the following landscape types: Principal settled farmlands; Riverside meadows. The agricultural land classification around Bridstow is mainly Grade 2 (Very Good) with small patches of Excellent (Grade 1). Along the river the land is classed as Grade 3 (Good to Moderate).</p> <p>13- 14/15- n/a</p> <p>16- Whilst there is no qualitative, locally specific data available at present, there are numerous listed buildings and 3 scheduled monuments in Bridstow according to the latest version of the register.</p>

NDP Policies	SEA objectives																Summary in relation to baseline	Overall commentary and any initial cumulative effects/ Recommendations	Conformity with Core Strategy
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16			
Baseline	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12				16			
BR1: Promoting Sustainable Development	+	+	+	+	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	0				+	This policy has mainly a positive impact on the baseline data. This policy will promote sustainable development in Bridstow. This policy ensures development is in keeping with the natural and built environment and will help safeguard the environment against unsuitable development.	Overall this policy meets the SEA baseline. There are mitigation measures within the Core Strategy and Neighbourhood Plan to alleviate effects from development.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
BR2: Development Strategy	0	+	+	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	+				0	This policy sets out the development strategy for Bridstow identifying settlement boundaries for proportionate growth. This will help focus the growth requirements therefore has generally a positive impact on the baseline data.	Overall this policy meets the SEA baseline objectives as it will only lead to small scale housing development focused with a defined settlement for Bridstow in line with policy RA2 of the Core Strategy. Policies included within the Neighbourhood Plan and Local Plan will help mitigate and alleviate impact caused from development.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
BR3: Major Development within the Wye Valley AONB	0	+	+	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	+				0	This policy sets out criteria for major development within Bridstow and Wilton to adhere to. This will help focus the growth requirements therefore has generally a positive impact on the baseline data.	Overall this policy meets the SEA baseline objectives as it will only lead to small scale housing development focused with a defined settlement for Bridstow in line with policy RA2 of the Core Strategy. Policies included within the Neighbourhood Plan and Local Plan will help mitigate and alleviate impact caused from development.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
BR4: Conserving the landscape and scenic beauty within the Wye Valley AONB	++	++	++	+	+	X	+	+	+	X	+	+				+	This policy will help to conserve the local environment and natural landscape is compatible with the Core Strategy and has mainly a positive impact on the baseline data. Criteria within the NDP, has been included which would aim to safeguard environmental character	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy. This policy will help mitigate impact caused from potential development on natural and built environment. This policy is conformity with Core Strategy policies SD1, LD1, LD2, and LD3.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.

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BR5: Protecting Heritage Assets	+	+	+	++	0	X	0	0	X	X	X	+				+			This policy will help safeguard heritage assets within Bridstow is compatible with the Core Strategy and has mainly a positive impact on the baseline data. Criteria within the NDP, has been included which would aim to safeguard environmental character and quality.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy. This policy will help mitigate impact caused from potential development on the historic environment. This policy is conformity with Core Strategy policies LD1 and LD4.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
BR6: Enhancement of the Natural Environment	++	+	+	++	+	X	+	+	+	X	+	+				+			This policy will help protect the local environment is compatible with the Core Strategy and has mainly a positive impact on the baseline data. Criteria within this policy has been included which would aim to safeguard environmental character, biodiversity and environmental quality.	Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy. This policy will help mitigate impact caused from potential development on natural and built environment. This policy is conformity with Core Strategy policies SD1, LD1, LD2, and LD3.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
BR7: Protection from Flood Risk	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	++	++	++	+				+			This policy has a positive impact on the baseline data. This policy ensures flood risk is minimised in new development and that is does not exacerbate surface water flooding or water contamination.	This policy would not lead to development itself but contains criteria to safeguard against flooding within the parish.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
BR8: Sewerage Infrastructure	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	++	++				+			Overall this policy has mainly a positive impact on the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient capacity within the sewage treatment works before development takes place. Ensuring ne development	To mitigate impact caused from construction and development of sewage infrastructure there are mitigation measures are within the Core Strategy and ndp to alleviate impact.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
BR9: Sustainable Design	+	++	++	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				+			Overall the policy is compatible with the baseline data and has an overall positive effect. Criteria within this policy ensures new development will be appropriate to Bridstow's character in terms of scale design and materials. This policy promotes sustainable development in new development, striving to reduce carbon emissions.	This policy would not lead to development itself but contains criteria for sustainable design to be in keeping with the existing built and natural environment and is in conformity to policies SD1, LD1 and LD4. This policy will help mitigate impact caused from potential development on natural and built environment.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.

BR10: Housing Design and Appearance	0	0	+	X	+	++	+	+	X	X	+	+				0	Overall the policy is compatible with the baseline data. This policy sets out housing design criteria to ensure new development is in keeping with the surrounding environment.	This policy would not lead to development itself but contains criteria for development to be in keeping with the existing built and natural environment and is in conformity to policies LD1, LD2, LD3 and LD4.	-
BR11: Traffic Measures within the Parish	0	0	+	X	+	+	+	+	X	X	X	0				0	Overall the policy is compatible with the baseline data. Criteria within this policy sets out traffic measures the parish should adhere to. This can help reduce traffic and alleviate congestion.	Overall this policy meets the SEA baseline objectives. The policy stipulates criteria to protect road users. Some elements of this policy are not directly land use related, although the highway issues relevant to the community are acknowledged.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
BR12: Highway Design Requirements	0	0	+	X	+	++	+	+	X	X	X	+				0	Overall the policy is compatible with the baseline data. Criteria within this policy sets promotes road safety and ensures residential amenity is not significantly impacted from new highways development.	Overall this policy meets the SEA baseline objectives. The policy stipulates criteria to protect road users. Some elements of this policy are not directly land use related, although the highway issues relevant to the community are acknowledged.	-
BR13: Housing Development in Wilton	0	+	+	+	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0	This policy housing development in Wilton sets out settlement boundary for Wilton and sets out criteria for development within this settlement to adhere to. This has a neutral impact on the baseline data. Water quality and usage, can be assessed when further details are known. There is criteria within this policy to ensure new development is fitting with the historic context of the nearby Ross-on-Wye Conservation area.	Overall this policy meets the SEA baseline objectives as it will only lead to small scale housing development focused with a defined settlement for Wilton in line with policy RA2 of the Core Strategy. Policies included within the Neighbourhood Plan and Local Plan will help mitigate and alleviate impact caused from development.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
BR14: Housing Sites in Wilton (Land north of Wilton Cottages)	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0	This site allocation is within the identified settlement for proportionate growth. Overall this has a neutral impact on the baseline data, as criteria is contained within this policy to help alleviate impact caused from new development on this site. Impact on water quality and services can be determined when further details of the schemes are known. There is criteria	None. Policies included within the Neighbourhood Plan and Local Plan will help mitigate and alleviate impact caused from development.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.

																		within this policy to ensure new development is fitting with the historic context of the nearby Ross-on-Wye Conservation area.		
BR15: Housing Development in Bridstow	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0		This policy sets out settlement boundaries for Banuntree, Buckcastle Hill and Claytons. This supports growth in accordance with policy CS RA2. Impact on water quality and services can be determined when further details of the schemes are known. Overall this has a neutral impact on the baseline data, as criteria is contained within this policy to help alleviate impact caused from new development within the settlement boundaries	None. Policies included within the Neighbourhood Plan and Local Plan will help mitigate and alleviate impact caused from development.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
BR16: Housing Sites in Bridstow Village	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0		This policy allocates large scale six housing sites within Bridstow, in accordance with CS policy RA2 Overall this has a neutral impact on the baseline data, as criteria is contained within the NDP to help alleviate impact caused from new development. Impact on water quality and services can be determined when further details of the schemes are known.	None. Policies included within the Neighbourhood Plan and Local Plan will help mitigate and alleviate impact caused from development.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
BR17: Housing development within Buckcastle Hill Area of special character	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0		Overall this has a neutral impact on the baseline data, as criteria is contained within this policy to help alleviate impact caused from new development on this site. This policy sets out settlement boundary in Buckcastle Hill, including identifying an area of special character. Impact on water quality and services can be determined when further details of the schemes are known.	None. Policies included within the Neighbourhood Plan and Local Plan will help mitigate and alleviate impact caused from development.	This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.

<p>BR18: Agricultural Diversification, Tourism and other Employment Enterprises</p>	0	+	+	X	+	+	0	0	X	X	X	+				0	<p>Overall this policy agricultural diversification, tourism and other employment enterprises has mainly a positive impact on the baseline data. This policy supports farm diversification and is likely to lead to small scale development.</p>	<p>Policies included within the Neighbourhood Plan and Local Plan will help mitigate and alleviate impact caused from small scale development.</p>	<p>This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.</p>
<p>BR19: Renewable and Low Carbon Energy</p>	0	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	X	X	X	+				0	<p>Overall this policy renewable energy has mainly a positive and neutral impact towards the relevant SEA objectives. This policy supports renewable energy within the parish. Criteria within the NDP, has been included which would aim to safeguard environmental character and quality.</p>	<p>Overall this policy meets the SEA baseline. This policy sets out criteria for renewable energy development to adhere to, this in itself will help alleviate landscape and environmental impact caused from renewable energy development.</p>	<p>This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.</p>
<p>BR20: Poly-tunnel Proposals</p>	+	+	+	X	+	0	+	+	0	0	0	0				0	<p>Overall this policy has a neutral impact on the baseline objectives. This policy would not lead to development itself but contains criteria to ensure that any proposed poly tunnels give careful consideration to environmental impact.</p>	<p>Overall this policy meets the SEA baseline. This policy sets out criteria for poly tunnel development to adhere to, this in itself will help alleviate landscape and environmental impact caused from Poly tunnel development.</p>	<p>This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA</p>
<p>BR21: Protection and Enhancement of Community facilities</p>	+	+	+	X	0	0	X	X	X	X	X	+				+	<p>This policy moves towards the SEA baseline, overall having a mostly positive. This will encourage the continuing use and enhancement of existing facilities thus contributing to the village character and environment.</p>	<p>Overall this policy is compatible with the SEA baseline. This policy would not directly lead to development itself but contains criteria to safeguard existing community facilities and support new community facilities within the parish.</p>	<p>This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.</p>
<p>BR22: Protection of Local Green Space and Areas of Open Space</p>	+	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	0	0	+	+				+	<p>Overall the policy is compatible with the baseline data and has a positive effect on the SEA baseline data. This policy identifies Bridstow Common as Local Green space, this adds an additional safeguards to this community space, helping to retain the space for the community to enjoy within the plan period.</p>	<p>Overall this policy meets the SEA objectives and the requirements in the Core Strategy. This policy will help mitigate impact caused from potential development on natural and built environment. This policy is conformity with Core Strategy policies SD1 and LD1.</p>	<p>This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.</p>

<p>BR23: Contributions to Community Services, Youth Provision and Recreation facilities</p>	0	+	+	X	0	0	X	X	X	X	X	+				0	<p>This policy is positive as it will encourage the continuing use of existing facilities. This contains criteria for new development within Bridstow to support community facilities through section 106 schemes.</p>	<p>Overall this policy is compatible with the SEA baseline. This policy would not lead to development itself but contains criteria to safeguard existing community facilities within Bridstow.</p>	<p>This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.</p>
<p>BR24: High Speed Broadband and Telecommunications</p>	+	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	+				+	<p>Overall this policy high speed broadband and tele communications has mainly a positive impact on the baseline data. This policy will help improve communication infrastructure within the group parish and in directly reduce wastage and traffic within the parish.</p>	<p>Overall this policy meets the SEA baseline objectives. This policy promotes the improvement of broadband and telecommunications within Goodrich and Welsh Bicknor.</p>	<p>This policy meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.</p>

NDP Options	SEA objectives																Summary in relation to baseline	Overall commentary and any initial cumulative effects/ Recommendations	Conformity with Core Strategy
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16			
Baseline	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16			
Do nothing	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
Option 1 – Seeking one or two relatively large sites that might accommodate the Core Strategy target for the Parish;	0	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				0	This housing approach option will help to meet the required housing target for Bridstow. Two large sites may help to centralise services. Allocation of sites for housing or other uses would give certainty to future development. Specific environmental issues could be investigated during the site search and be positively addressed within the policy wording.	Pursuing this option would give greater certainty over future development within the area particularly within Bridstow.	This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
Option 2 – identifying a number of smaller sites that would be in keeping with the scale of development within Wilton and the 3 main settlements in Bridstow;	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				+	This housing approach option will help to meet the required housing target for Bridstow. The scattered housing settlement approach is in keeping with natural form of the parish of dispersed settlements around the parish.	Pursuing this option would give greater certainty over future development within the area particularly within Bridstow.	This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
Option 3 – locating development where this might contribute towards creating a village core for Bridstow.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				+	This housing approach option will help to meet the required housing target for Bridstow. Allocation of sites for housing or other uses would give certainty to future development. Specific environmental issues could be investigated during the site search and be positively addressed within the policy wording. Creating a large village Core may help centralise services.	Pursuing this option would give greater certainty over future development within the area particularly within Bridstow.	This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
Site 1: Bk6 Land adjacent to Salsdon Cottage. 1 dwelling.	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0	Overall this option has mainly a neutral impact on the baseline data. Due to scale and nature of building 1 dwelling, it is unlikely to have a significant environmental impact. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage.	Pursuing this option would give greater certainty over future small scale housing development within the area. If required mitigation criteria can be added to site allocations policies to ensure all SEA objectives are achieved.	This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.

<p>Site 2: Bk2c Land at Oaklands (Small site). 5 dwelling.</p>	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0	<p>Overall this option has mainly a neutral impact on the baseline data. Due to scale and nature of building 5 dwellings, it is unlikely to have a significant environmental impact. Site Bk2c fits within the scale and form of the settlement pattern. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage.</p>	<p>Pursuing this option would give greater certainty over future small scale housing development within the area. If required mitigation criteria can be added to site allocations policies to ensure all SEA objectives are achieved.</p> <p>Land immediately to the north has recently received planning permission under code P181237 for 8 dwellings (11/2018). Planning application for 35 dwellings to the south was refused and dismissed on appeal (Code P142930/O, refused 17/12/2014).</p>	<p>This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.</p>
<p>Site 3: Bt7 Land at Whitecross. 3 dwellings.</p>	0	-	-	0	-	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0	<p>Overall this option has mainly a neutral impact on the baseline data. Due to scale and nature of building 3 dwellings, it is unlikely to have a significant environmental impact. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage. However delivery of this site is in question due to the potential impact of highway safety and neighbouring amenity.</p>	<p>Pursuing this option would give greater certainty over future small scale housing development within the area. If required mitigation criteria can be added to site allocations policies to ensure all SEA objectives are achieved.</p> <p>There have been a number of planning applications for a dwelling upon this site, each of which have been refused and two appeals dismissed due to highways and residential amenity issues</p>	<p>This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.</p>
<p>Site 4: Bk2a/b Land at Oaklands.</p>	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0	<p>Overall this option has mainly a neutral impact on the baseline data. Due to scale and nature of small scale dwellings, it is unlikely to have a significant environmental impact. Site Bk2a/b fits within the scale and form of the settlement pattern. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage.</p>	<p>This option could conflict with national and local policy. To build on greenfield is likely to have a detrimental impact on environment. If appropriate mitigation measures are added to the site, there could be scope for development.</p> <p>Land immediately to the north has recently received planning permission under code P181237 for 8 dwellings (11/2018). Planning application for 35 dwellings to the south was refused and dismissed on appeal (Code P142930/O, refused 17/12/2014).</p>	<p>This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.</p>
<p>Site 5: Bt4 Land at the Old Vicarage. 5 dwellings.</p>	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0	<p>Overall this option has mainly a neutral impact on the baseline data. Due to scale and nature of building 5 dwellings, it is unlikely to have a significant environmental impact. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage.</p>	<p>Overall this policy has mainly a positive impact on the baseline data. If appropriate mitigation measures are added to the site, there could be scope for development.</p>	<p>This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.</p>
<p>Site 6: W2 Land opposite Wilton Cottages*. 9 dwellings.</p>	0	?	?	?	0	0	?	?	?	?	?	?	0			0	<p>Development of this site is has a concern for noise and pollution for potential residents due to its proximity to a major junction and A road. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known.</p>	<p>It sits comfortably in the landscape as a brownfield site and would improve the existing character. However there needs to be significant mitigation measures to alleviate noise and pollution before development takes place.</p>	<p>This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.</p>

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Site 7: Bk1 Land at Foxdale (3 dwellings).	?	0	0	0	?	?	0	0	?	?	?	0				0	Based on previously assessments and planning history for the whole site is likely to have a negative impact on the built landscape and Water quality if the site was developed on a large scale., flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage. The site currently has planning permission has been granted for 1 to the north end, 171109.	SHLAA assessment (hlaa/299/001) indicated there was no potential due to highways issues and effect on the sensitive landscape. Previous planning permission was refused (142930) due to highway safety impact. If appropriate the mitigation measures are added to the site, there could be scope for development if the site was reduced.	This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
Site 8: Bk4b Land at Cotterell's Farm (Small site) (8 dwellings).	?	?	?	?	+	+	+	+	?	?	?	+				0	This site is in close proximity to a listed building and is elevated overlooking Glebe Cottage. Depending of scale and design of development it may have an impact on the landscape character. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage.	Overall this policy has mainly a positive impact on the baseline data. Impact on landscape character and setting of a listed building is questionable and likely to cause detrimental impact on the surrounding landscape. There may be potential to develop some of the lower parts of the site and areas for mitigation through screening.	This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
Site 9: Bt2a/b Land at Bridruthen* (8 dwellings)	0	+	+	+	?	?	+	+	?	?	?	+				0	Overall the site is in keeping with the scale and form of the existing settlement and has an overall positive impact on the sea baseline. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage. Impact on highway safety is a concern, footpaths and crossing the A49 needs to be addressed before development takes place.	Overall this policy has mainly a positive impact on the baseline data. If appropriate mitigation measures are added to the site, there could be scope for development. Highway safety will need to be addressed and alleviate potential highway hazards.	This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
Site 10: Bt3b Land west of Wilton Roundabout* (25 dwellings)	?	?	?	?	?	?	+	+	?	?	?	+				0	Noise and pollution is a concern to parts of site Bt3b. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage.	Highway safety, crossing the road safely will need to be addressed and alleviate potential highway hazards. Development is likely to cause loss of hedgerows but can be mitigated through replanting schemes.	This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
Site 11: Bt6b Land at Tanglewood (Small site)* (5 dwellings)	?	?	?	?	?	?	+	+	?	?	?	+				0	Highway and impact on landscape is a concern. There may be potential to mitigate issues through design and highways improvements. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage.	Highway safety is a significant constraint for this site as any development on this site is going to be close to the A49. Development on this site is also likely to cause adverse effect on natural landscape. There may be potential to mitigate impact of small scale development through design, placement and screening of the site.	This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.

<p>Site 12: Bk7 Land adjacent to 6 Oaklands Cottages* (1 dwelling)</p>	0	-	-	0	-	-	0	0	?	?	?	+				0	<p>The site has an overall a neutral impact on the sea baseline. However the site is likely to have noise and pollution issues to the proximity of the road. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage.</p>	<p>Pursuing this option would give greater certainty over future small scale housing development within the area. If required mitigation criteria can be added to site allocations policies to ensure all SEA objectives are achieved.</p>	<p>This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.</p>
<p>Site 13: C1 Land at Ash Ridge, Claytons* (9 dwellings)</p>	-	?	?	?	-	-	?	?	?	?	?	0				0	<p>Site is on the edge of the settlement and development I likely to have an impact on the existing landscape. Another issue is highways and safe access. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage. Deliverability of these sites are questionable due to the previous appeal judgements and issues with highway safety</p>	<p>Highway safety is an issue with the site, crossing the road safely will need to be addressed. SHLAA site covers the southern part of the site and was assessed with having no potential HLAA/299/001.Planning history has previously been refused (171770) due to risk of highway safety due to the narrow nature of the lane. It is unlikely these issues could be mitigated from the scale of this type of development.</p>	-
<p>Site 14: W1b/c Land off Wilton Lane, Wilton (Small site)* (9 dwellings)</p>	-	?	?	?	-	-	?	?	?	?	?	0				0	<p>Development of this site is likely to cause adverse effects on aonb. Highway safety and access is also a concern on this site as well as noise and pollution for potential residents. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage.</p>	<p>P183187 for 9 dwellings on the area identified as W1b was refused by Herefordshire Council on 11th February 2019. The reasons included adverse effect on the Wye Valley AONB, effect of noise on residential amenity, effect on the setting of the Listed bridge and Scheduled Monument, and absence of information to show a mix of dwellings. Highways concerns were raised in the SHLAA/ 453/001. Location of the site and proximity to the road it is unlikely that these issues can be alleviated through mitigation.</p>	-
<p>Site 15: Bt3c Land west of Wilton Roundabout (Small site)*</p>	?	?	?	?	?	?	+	+	?	?	?	0				0	<p>Development of this site appears to be a natural extension of the existing built form. Noise and pollution is a concern to parts of site Bt3c. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage.</p>	<p>Highway safety, crossing the road safely will need to be addressed and alleviate potential highway hazards. Development is likely to cause loss of hedgerows but can be mitigated through replanting schemes.</p>	<p>This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.</p>
<p>Site 16: Bt6a Land at Tanglewood* (20 dwellings)</p>	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	?	?	?	+				0	<p>Highway and impact on landscape is a concern. There may be potential to mitigate issues through design and highways improvements, but the scale of this scheme it may prove difficult. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact</p>	<p>Highway safety is a significant constraint for this site as any development on this site is going to be close to the A49. Development on this site is also likely to cause adverse effect on natural landscape.</p>	-

																		can be further determined at planning application stage.			
Site 17: Bk4a Land at Cotterell's Farm* (32 dwellings)	?	?	?	?	+	+	+	+	?	?	?	+						0	This site is in close proximity to existing settlement. The site is within the curtilage of a listed building. Depending of scale and design of development it may have an impact on the landscape character. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage.	Overall this policy has mainly a positive impact on the baseline data. Impact on landscape character and setting of a listed building will need to be addressed before development takes place. There may be potential to develop some parts of the site and areas for mitigation through screening. Further assessment at planning application stage will be required before development can take place.	This option meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.
Site 18: W1a Land off Wilton Lane, Wilton* (16 dwellings)	-	?	?	?	-	-	?	?	?	?	?	0						0	Development of this site is likely to cause adverse effects on aonb. Highway safety and access is also a concern on this site as well as noise and pollution for potential residents. Water quality, flooding issues and soil quality can be further decided when more details of the scheme are known. Environmental impact can be further determined at planning application stage.	P183187 for 9 dwellings on the area identified as W1b was refused by Herefordshire Council on 11th February 2019. The reasons included adverse effect on the Wye Valley AONB, effect of noise on residential amenity, effect on the setting of the Listed bridge and Scheduled Monument, and absence of information to show a mix of dwellings. Highways concerns were raised in the SHLAA/ 453/001. Location of the site and proximity to the road it is unlikely that these issues can be alleviated through mitigation.	-

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

Key:

++ Move towards significantly	+ Move towards Marginally	- - Move away significantly	- Move away marginally	0 Neutral	? Uncertain	N/A No relationship
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BR1: Promoting Sustainable 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 promotes sustainable development within the identified areas of proportionate growth. Overall this is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy promotes sustainable development within the identified areas of proportionate growth. Overall this is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.

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				baseline data.	
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy promotes sustainable development within the identified areas of proportionate growth. Overall this is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy promotes sustainable development within the identified areas of proportionate growth. Overall this is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To improve air quality	0	+	+	This Policy promotes sustainable development within the identified areas of proportionate growth. Overall this is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	0	0	+	This Policy promotes sustainable development within the identified areas of proportionate growth. Overall this is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.

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To reduce contributions to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy promotes sustainable development within the identified areas of proportionate growth. Overall this is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy promotes sustainable development within the identified areas of proportionate growth. Overall this is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To improve water quality	0	0	0	This Policy promotes sustainable development within the identified areas of proportionate growth. Overall this is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	0	0	0	This Policy promotes sustainable development within the identified areas of proportionate growth. Overall this is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy promotes sustainable development within the identified areas of proportionate growth. Overall this is not	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new

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				over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data.	developments.
To conserve soil resources and quality	0	0	0	This Policy promotes sustainable development within the identified areas of proportionate growth. Overall this is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	0	+	+	This Policy promotes sustainable development within the identified areas of proportionate growth. Overall this is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy and generally has a positive and neutral impact in the short, medium and long term. This policy promotes sustainable development within the identified proportionate growth areas.				

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

BR2: 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)			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)	0	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out development strategy to meet housing growth accordance with the Core Strategy.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	0	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out development strategy to meet housing growth accordance with the Core Strategy.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.

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To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out development strategy to meet housing growth accordance with the Core Strategy.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out development strategy to meet housing growth accordance with the Core Strategy.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out development strategy to meet housing growth accordance with the Core Strategy.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.

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				the baseline data. This policy sets out development strategy to meet housing growth accordance with the Core Strategy.	
To reduce contributions to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out development strategy to meet housing growth accordance with the Core Strategy.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out development strategy to meet housing growth accordance with the Core Strategy.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To improve water quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out development strategy to meet housing growth	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.

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				accordance with the Core Strategy.	
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out development strategy to meet housing growth accordance with the Core Strategy.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out development strategy to meet housing growth accordance with the Core Strategy.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To conserve soil resources and quality					
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					

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To conserve natural and manmade resources	0	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out development strategy to meet housing growth accordance with the Core Strategy.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives, overall has a neutral impact in the short, medium and long term. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. Criteria contained within the NDP and Core Strategy can help mitigate potential harmful impacts caused from development.				

BR3: Major Development within the Wye Valley AONB

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 has a positive impact on the baseline. This policy sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from major development is minimised and its effects mitigated.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy has a positive impact on the baseline. This policy sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from major development is minimised and its effects mitigated.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy has a positive impact on the baseline. This policy sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from major development is minimised and its effects mitigated.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy has a positive impact on the baseline. This policy sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from major development is minimised and its effects mitigated.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy has a positive impact on the baseline. This policy sets out criteria to ensure impact	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from

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				caused from major development is minimised and its effects mitigated.	new developments.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	0	0	0	This Policy has a neutral impact on the baseline. This policy sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from major development is minimised and its effects mitigated.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To reduce contributions to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy has a neutral impact on the baseline. This policy sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from major development is minimised and its effects mitigated.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy has a neutral impact on the baseline. This policy sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from major development is minimised and its effects mitigated.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To improve water quality	0	0	0	This Policy has a neutral impact on the baseline. This policy sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from major development is minimised and its effects	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.

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				mitigated.	
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	0	0	0	This Policy has a neutral impact on the baseline. This policy sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from major development is minimised and its effects mitigated.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy has a neutral impact on the baseline. This policy sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from major development is minimised and its effects mitigated.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy has a positive impact on the baseline. This policy sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from major development is minimised and its effects mitigated.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					

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To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy has a positive impact on the baseline. This policy sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from major development is minimised and its effects mitigated.	The NDP has in built policies to mitigate against harm caused from new developments.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This policy sets out criteria to safeguard the scenic beauty and character of the aonb and has a positive impact on the sea baseline in the short, medium and long term.				

BR4: Conserving the landscape and scenic beauty within the Wye Valley AONB

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 has a very positive impact on the sea baseline in the short, medium and long term. This policy strives to protect and enhance the natural	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure landscape and scenic beauty of the parish is protected and retained.

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				landscape and scenic beauty within the parish.	
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	++	++	++	This policy has a very positive impact on the sea baseline in the short, medium and long term. This policy strives to protect and enhance the natural landscape and scenic beauty within the parish	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure landscape and scenic beauty of the parish is protected and retained.
To improve quality of surroundings	++	++	++	This policy has a very positive impact on the sea baseline in the short, medium and long term. This policy strives to protect and enhance the natural landscape and scenic beauty within the parish	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure landscape and scenic beauty of the parish is protected and retained.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	++	This policy has a positive impact on the sea baseline in the short, medium and long term. This policy strives to protect and enhance the natural landscape and scenic beauty within the parish.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure landscape and scenic beauty of the parish is protected and retained.

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To improve air quality	+	+	+	This policy has a positive impact on the sea baseline in the short, medium and long term. This policy strives to protect and enhance the natural landscape and scenic beauty within the parish.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure landscape and scenic beauty of the parish is protected and retained.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	x	x	x		-
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This policy has a positive impact on the sea baseline in the short, medium and long term. This policy strives to protect and enhance the natural landscape and scenic beauty within the parish.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure landscape and scenic beauty of the parish is protected and retained.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This policy has a positive impact on the sea baseline in the short, medium and long term. This policy strives to protect and enhance the natural landscape and scenic beauty within the parish.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure landscape and scenic beauty of the parish is protected and retained.
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This policy has a positive impact on the sea baseline in the short, medium and long term. This	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure landscape and scenic beauty of the parish is

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				policy strives to protect and enhance the natural landscape and scenic beauty within the parish.	protected and retained.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	x	x	x		N/A
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This policy has a positive impact on the sea baseline in the short, medium and long term. This policy strives to protect and enhance the natural landscape and scenic beauty within the parish.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure landscape and scenic beauty of the parish is protected and retained.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This policy has a positive impact on the sea baseline in the short, medium and long term. This policy strives to protect and enhance the natural landscape and scenic beauty within the parish.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure landscape and scenic beauty of the parish is protected and retained.
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and					

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nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	++	++	++	This policy has a positive impact on the sea baseline in the short, medium and long term. This policy strives to protect and enhance the natural landscape and scenic beauty within the parish.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure landscape and scenic beauty of the parish is protected and retained.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This policy has a positive impact in the short, medium and long term policy has a positive impact on the sea baseline in the short, medium and long term. This policy strives to protect and enhance the natural landscape and scenic beauty within the parish.				

BR5: Protecting Heritage Assets

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 and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure heritage assets of the parish is protected and retained.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure heritage assets of the parish is protected and retained.
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure heritage assets of the parish is protected and retained.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure heritage assets of the parish is protected and retained.
To improve air quality	0	0	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure heritage assets of the parish is protected and retained.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	x	x	x		-

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To reduce contributions to climate change	0	0	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure heritage assets of the parish is protected and retained.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure heritage assets of the parish is protected and retained.
To improve water quality	x	x	x	N/A	N/A
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	x	x	x	N/A	N/A
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	x	x	x	N/A	N/A
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure heritage assets of the parish is protected and retained.
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					-
To reduce crime and					-

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nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure heritage assets of the parish is protected and retained.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This has a positive impact in the short, medium and long term and will help to protect heritage assets within the parish.				

BR6: Enhancement of 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 and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This will help to retain and enhance natural environment through enhancing ecological networks and retaining natural habitats and its features.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure the natural environment is protected and enhanced within the parish.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This will help to retain and enhance natural environment through enhancing ecological networks and retaining natural habitats and its features.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure the natural environment is protected and enhanced within the parish.
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This will help to retain and enhance natural environment through enhancing ecological networks and retaining natural habitats and its features.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure the natural environment is protected and enhanced within the parish.

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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 and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This will help to retain and enhance natural environment through enhancing ecological networks and retaining natural habitats and its features.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure the natural environment is protected and enhanced within the parish.
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This will help to retain and enhance natural environment through enhancing ecological networks and retaining natural habitats and its features.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure the natural environment is protected and enhanced within the parish.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	X	X	X	n/a	n/a
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This will help to retain and enhance natural environment through enhancing	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure the natural environment is protected and enhanced within the parish.

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				ecological networks and retaining natural habitats and its features.	
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This will help to retain and enhance natural environment through enhancing ecological networks and retaining natural habitats and its features.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure the natural environment is protected and enhanced within the parish.
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This will help to retain and enhance natural environment through enhancing ecological networks and retaining natural habitats and its features.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure the natural environment is protected and enhanced within the parish.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	X	X	X	n/a	N/A
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure the natural environment is protected and

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				the baseline data. This will help to retain and enhance natural environment through enhancing ecological networks and retaining natural habitats and its features.	enhanced within the parish.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This will help to retain and enhance natural environment through enhancing ecological networks and retaining natural habitats and its features.	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure the natural environment is protected and enhanced within the parish.
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 and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This will help to retain and enhance natural environment through enhancing	This policy itself is a mitigation measure to ensure the natural environment is protected and enhanced within the parish.

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				ecological networks and retaining natural habitats and its features.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. This policy will help retain and enhance natural environment and biodiversity within the parish. This has a positive impact in the short, medium and long term. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy.				

BR7: Protection from Flood Risk

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 and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy ensures new development avoids flood risk and mitigate flood risk where possible	This policy acts as a mitigation measure to alleviate new development from flood risk as well as promoting sustainable drainage systems and opportunities to support biodiversity.

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To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy ensures new development avoids flood risk and mitigate flood risk where possible	This policy acts as a mitigation measure to alleviate new development from flood risk as well as promoting sustainable drainage systems and opportunities to support biodiversity.
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy ensures new development avoids flood risk and mitigate flood risk where possible	This policy acts as a mitigation measure to alleviate new development from flood risk as well as promoting sustainable drainage systems and opportunities to support biodiversity.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy ensures new development avoids flood risk and mitigate flood risk where possible	This policy acts as a mitigation measure to alleviate new development from flood risk as well as promoting sustainable drainage systems and opportunities to support biodiversity.
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy ensures new development avoids flood risk and mitigate flood risk where	This policy acts as a mitigation measure to alleviate new development from flood risk as well as promoting sustainable drainage systems and opportunities to support biodiversity.

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				possible	
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy ensures new development avoids flood risk and mitigate flood risk where possible	This policy acts as a mitigation measure to alleviate new development from flood risk as well as promoting sustainable drainage systems and opportunities to support biodiversity.
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy ensures new development avoids flood risk and mitigate flood risk where possible	This policy acts as a mitigation measure to alleviate new development from flood risk as well as promoting sustainable drainage systems and opportunities to support biodiversity.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy ensures new development avoids flood risk and mitigate flood risk where possible	This policy acts as a mitigation measure to alleviate new development from flood risk as well as promoting sustainable drainage systems and opportunities to support biodiversity.
To improve water quality	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a very positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy ensures new development avoids flood	This policy acts as a mitigation measure to alleviate new development from flood risk as well as promoting sustainable drainage systems and opportunities to support

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				risk and mitigate flood risk where possible	biodiversity.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a very positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy ensures new development avoids flood risk and mitigate flood risk where possible	This policy acts as a mitigation measure to alleviate new development from flood risk as well as promoting sustainable drainage systems and opportunities to support biodiversity.
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a very positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy ensures new development avoids flood risk and mitigate flood risk where possible	This policy acts as a mitigation measure to alleviate new development from flood risk as well as promoting sustainable drainage systems and opportunities to support biodiversity.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy ensures new development avoids flood risk and mitigate flood risk where possible	This policy acts as a mitigation measure to alleviate new development from flood risk as well as promoting sustainable drainage systems and opportunities to support biodiversity.
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of					

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the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy ensures new development avoids flood risk and mitigate flood risk where possible	This policy acts as a mitigation measure to alleviate new development from flood risk as well as promoting sustainable drainage systems and opportunities to support biodiversity.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This policy ensures new development is protected against all types of flooding whilst promoting opportunities to enhance biodiversity. This will have a positive impact in the short, medium and long term.				

BR8: Sewerage 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 and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient sewerage capacity before development takes place.	N/A
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient sewerage capacity before development takes place.	N/A
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient sewerage capacity before development takes place.	N/A
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient sewerage capacity before development takes place.	N/A
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This	N/A

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				policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient sewerage capacity before development takes place.	
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient sewerage capacity before development takes place.	N/A
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient sewerage capacity before development takes place.	N/A
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient sewerage capacity before development takes place.	N/A
To improve water quality	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a very positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient sewerage capacity before development takes	N/A

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				place.	
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a very positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient sewerage capacity before development takes place.	-
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a very positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient sewerage capacity before development takes place.	-
To conserve soil resources and quality	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a very positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient sewerage capacity before development takes place.	N/A
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					

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To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a very positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is sufficient sewerage capacity before development takes place.	N/A
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This has a positive impact in the short, medium and long term and ensures there is sufficient capacity of the sewer systems before development.				

BR9: Sustainable Design

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 and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out sustainable design criteria for new developments to adhere to.	N/A
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out sustainable design criteria for new developments to adhere to.	N/A
To improve quality of surroundings	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out sustainable design criteria for new developments to adhere to.	N/A
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out sustainable design criteria for new developments to	N/A

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				adhere to.	
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out sustainable design criteria for new developments to adhere to.	N/A
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out sustainable design criteria for new developments to adhere to.	N/A
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out sustainable design criteria for new developments to adhere to.	N/A
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out sustainable design	N/A

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				criteria for new developments to adhere to.	
To improve water quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out sustainable design criteria for new developments to adhere to.	N/A
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out sustainable design criteria for new developments to adhere to.	N/A
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out sustainable design criteria for new developments to adhere to.	N/A
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy	N/A

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				sets out sustainable design criteria for new developments to adhere to.	
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 and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out sustainable design criteria for new developments to adhere to.	N/A
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This policy will result in more sustainable types of development helping as well as helping to reduce carbon emissions in the parish.				

BR10: Housing Design and Appearance

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	Medium	Long term		

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	term (1 – 5 years)	term (6 – 10 years)	(11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	0	+	+	Overall the policy is compatible and positive towards baseline data. This policy sets out design criteria for development to adhere to, this will ensure development is in keeping with the build and natural context of Bridstow.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1 and SD1.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	0	+	+	Overall the policy is compatible and positive towards baseline data. This policy sets out design criteria for development to adhere to, this will ensure development is in keeping with the build and natural context of Bridstow.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1 and SD1.
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	Overall the policy is compatible and positive towards baseline data. This policy sets out design criteria for development to adhere to, this will ensure development is in keeping with the build and natural context of Bridstow.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1 and SD1.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and	X	X	X	N/A	N/A

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cultural heritage					
To improve air quality	+	+	+	Overall the policy is compatible and positive towards baseline data. This policy sets out design criteria for development to adhere to, this will ensure development is in keeping with the build and natural context of Bridstow.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1 and SD1.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	++	++	++	Overall the policy is compatible and positive towards baseline data. This policy sets out design criteria for development to adhere to, this will ensure development is in keeping with the build and natural context of Bridstow.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1 and SD1.
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	Overall the policy is compatible and positive towards baseline data. This policy sets out design criteria for development to adhere to, this will ensure development is in keeping with the build and natural context of Bridstow.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1 and SD1.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	Overall the policy is compatible and positive towards baseline data. This policy sets out design criteria for development to adhere to, this will ensure development is in keeping with the build and natural context of Bridstow.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1 and SD1.

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To improve water quality	X	X	X	NA	NA
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	X	X	X	NA	NA
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	Overall the policy is compatible and positive towards baseline data. This policy sets out design criteria for development to adhere to, this will ensure development is in keeping with the build and natural context of Bridstow.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1 and SD1.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	Overall the policy is compatible and positive towards baseline data. This policy sets out design criteria for development to adhere to, this will ensure development is in keeping with the build and natural context of Bridstow.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1 and SD1.
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade	0	+	+	Overall the policy is compatible and positive towards baseline data. This	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to

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resources				policy sets out design criteria for development to adhere to, this will ensure development is in keeping with the build and natural context of Bridstow.	alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1 and SD1.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This policy has a positive impact in the short, medium and long term and will ensure new development strives to reduce carbon emissions through sustainable design.				

BR11: Traffic Measures within the Parish

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)	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to help alleviate traffic in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a neutral impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.

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To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to help alleviate traffic in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a neutral impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to help alleviate traffic in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a positive impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	X	X	X	na	N/A
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to help alleviate traffic in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a positive impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to help alleviate traffic in Bridstow as well as reducing speed.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.

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				Overall this has a positive impact.	
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to help alleviate traffic in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a positive impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to help alleviate traffic in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a positive impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To improve water quality	X	X	X	na	N/A
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	X	X	X	na	N/A
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	X	X	X	na	N/A
To conserve soil resources and quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to help alleviate traffic in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a neutral impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.

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To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to help alleviate traffic in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a neutral impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This has a positive impact on the baseline data in the short, medium and long term.				

BR12: Highway Design Requirements

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)	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is safe access and sufficient parking in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a neutral impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is safe access and sufficient parking in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a neutral impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To improve quality of surroundings	0	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is safe access and sufficient parking in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a positive impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	X	X	X	na	N/A
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new

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				criteria to ensure there is safe access and sufficient parking in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a positive impact.	development.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	++	++	++	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is safe access and sufficient parking in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a positive impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is safe access and sufficient parking in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a positive impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is safe access and sufficient parking in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a positive impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To improve water quality	X	X	X	na	N/A
To provide for	X	X	X	na	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 objectives. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is safe access and sufficient parking in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a positive impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is safe access and sufficient parking in Bridstow as well as reducing speed. Overall this has a positive impact.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives. This policy sets out criteria to ensure there is safe access and sufficient parking in Bridstow as well as reducing speed.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.

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				Overall this has a neutral impact.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This has a positive impact in the short, medium and long term and help improve highway safety and car parking.				

BR13: Housing Development in Wilton

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)	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Wilton through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of 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 moves towards the	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core

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townscapes				SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Wilton through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	Strategy.
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Wilton through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of 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 moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Wilton through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of 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 moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Wilton through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.

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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 objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Wilton through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.
To reduce contributions to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Wilton through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Wilton through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.
To improve water quality	?	?	?	Impact of water quality is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application stage, on a case by case basis.	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To provide for	?	?	?	Impact of water supply is uncertain	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core

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sustainable sources of water supply				at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application process, on a case by case basis.	Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	?	?	?	Impact of flood risk is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application process, on a case by case basis.	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Wilton through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	0	0	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Wilton through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.

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				natural environment	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy moves towards the SEA objectives and is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives in the short, medium and long term. Water quality, sustainable sources of water supply and flood risk are uncertain at this stage as further details are needed to make a full assessment of the impact towards the SEA baseline.				

BR14: Housing Site in Wilton

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)	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a site for development and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a site for development and sets out	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.

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				criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a site for development and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a site for development and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a site for development and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new

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				site for development and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	development.
To reduce contributions to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a site for development and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a site for development and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To improve water quality	?	?	?	Impact of water quality is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application stage, on a case by case basis.	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	?	?	?	Impact of water supply is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application process, on a case by case basis.	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To avoid, reduce and	?	?	?	Impact of flood risk is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact

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manage flood risk				in the planning application process, on a case by case basis.	caused from new development particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a site for development and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
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 and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a site for development and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. Overall this policy has a neutral impact in the short, medium and long term objectives.				

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BR15: Housing Development in Bridstow

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)	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Bridstow through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core 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 moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Bridstow through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.
To improve quality of	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is

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surroundings				objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Bridstow through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	0	0	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Bridstow through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of 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 moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Bridstow through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.
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 objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Bridstow through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.

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				natural environment	
To reduce contributions to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Bridstow through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Bridstow through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.
To improve water quality	?	?	?	Impact of water quality is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application stage, on a case by case basis.	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	?	?	?	Impact of water supply is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application process, on a case by case basis.	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	?	?	?	Impact of flood risk is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies

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				process, on a case by case basis.	LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Bridstow through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and moves towards the SEA baseline. Defining the settlement of Bridstow through a settlement boundary will help define the settlement along with protecting natural environment	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy and is compatible with RA2 and RA3 of the Core Strategy.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. Overall this policy has a neutral impact in the short, medium and long term.				

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BR16: Housing Sites in Bridstow 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
	Short term (1 – 5 years)	Medium term (6 – 10 years)	Long term (11 years +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a sites for development in Bridstow village and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	0	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a sites for development in Bridstow village and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.

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To improve quality of surroundings	0	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a sites for development in Bridstow village and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a sites for development in Bridstow village and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a sites for development in Bridstow village and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in

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				the baseline data. This identifies a sites for development in Bridstow village and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To reduce contributions to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a sites for development in Bridstow village and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a sites for development in Bridstow village and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To improve water quality	?	?	?	Impact of water quality is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application stage, on a case by case basis.	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.

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To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	?	?	?	Impact of water supply is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application process, on a case by case basis.	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	?	?	?	Impact of flood risk is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application process, on a case by case basis.	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To conserve soil resources and quality	0	0	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This identifies a sites for development in Bridstow village and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new

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resources				the baseline data. This identifies a sites for development in Bridstow village and sets out criteria to ensure impact caused from development is minimised.	development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. Overall this policy has a neutral impact in the short, medium and long term.				

BR17: Housing development within Buckcastle Hill Area of special character

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)	0	0	0	Overall this has a neutral impact on the baseline data in the short, medium and long term, as criteria is contained within this policy to help alleviate impact caused from new development on this site. This policy sets out settlement boundary in Buckcastle Hill.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.

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To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	0	+	+	Overall this has a neutral impact on the baseline data in the short, medium and long term, as criteria is contained within this policy to help alleviate impact caused from new development on this site. This policy sets out settlement boundary in Buckcastle Hill.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To improve quality of surroundings	0	+	+	Overall this has a neutral impact on the baseline data in the short, medium and long term, as criteria is contained within this policy to help alleviate impact caused from new development on this site. This policy sets out settlement boundary in Buckcastle Hill.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	0	0	0	Overall this has a neutral impact on the baseline data in the short, medium and long term, as criteria is contained within this policy to help alleviate impact caused from new development on this site. This policy sets out settlement boundary in Buckcastle Hill.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To improve air quality	0	0	0	Overall this has a neutral impact on the baseline data in the short, medium and long term, as criteria is contained within this policy to help alleviate impact caused from new development on this site. This	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy

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				policy sets out settlement boundary in Buckcastle Hill.	RA2.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	0	0	0	Overall this has a neutral impact on the baseline data in the short, medium and long term, as criteria is contained within this policy to help alleviate impact caused from new development on this site. This policy sets out settlement boundary in Buckcastle Hill.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To reduce contributions to climate change	0	0	0	Overall this has a neutral impact on the baseline data in the short, medium and long term, as criteria is contained within this policy to help alleviate impact caused from new development on this site. This policy sets out settlement boundary in Buckcastle Hill.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	0	Overall this has a neutral impact on the baseline data in the short, medium and long term, as criteria is contained within this policy to help alleviate impact caused from new development on this site. This policy sets out settlement boundary in Buckcastle Hill.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy RA2.
To improve water quality	?	?	?	Impact of water quality is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development

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				stage, on a case by case basis.	particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	?	?	?	Impact of water supply is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application process, on a case by case basis.	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	?	?	?	Impact of flood risk is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application process, on a case by case basis.	Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development particularly policies LD1, LD2, SD3 and SD4.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data.	N/A
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	0	0	0	Overall this has a neutral impact on the baseline data in the short, medium and long term, as criteria is contained within this policy to help alleviate impact caused from new	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development. The allocations are in accordance with Core Strategy policy

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				development on this site. This policy sets out settlement boundary in Buckcastle Hill.	RA2.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This has a neutral impact in the short, medium and long term.				

BR18: Agricultural Diversification, Tourism and other Employment Enterprises

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)	0	0	0	Overall this policy agricultural diversification, tourism and other employment enterprises has mainly a neutral impact on this objective.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and	+	+	+	Overall this policy agricultural diversification, tourism and other employment enterprises has mainly	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new

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townscapes				a positive impact on this objective.	development.
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	Overall this policy agricultural diversification, tourism and other employment enterprises has mainly a positive impact on this objective.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	X	X	X	NA	N/A
To improve air quality	+	+	+	Overall this policy agricultural diversification, tourism and other employment enterprises has mainly a positive impact on this objective.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	Overall this policy agricultural diversification, tourism and other employment enterprises has mainly a positive impact on this objective.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	0	Overall this policy agricultural diversification, tourism and other employment enterprises has mainly a positive impact on this objective.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	0	Overall this policy agricultural diversification, tourism and other employment enterprises has mainly a positive impact on this objective.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.

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To improve water quality	X	X	X	na	N/A
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	X	X	X	na	N/A
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	X	X	X	na	N/A
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	Overall this policy agricultural diversification, tourism and other employment enterprises has mainly a positive impact on this objective.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	0	0	0	Overall this policy agricultural diversification, tourism and other employment enterprises has mainly a positive impact on this objective.	None identified. Policy safeguards within the NDP and Core Strategy will help to alleviate impact caused from new development.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. Overall this policy has a positive impact in the short, medium and long term.				

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BR19: Renewable and 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 +)		
To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	0	0	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to reduce carbon emissions and promote renewable energy schemes within the parish.	N/A
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to reduce carbon emissions and promote renewable energy schemes within the parish.	N/A
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a	N/A

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				positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to reduce carbon emissions and promote renewable energy schemes within the parish.	
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	X	X	X	na	N/A
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to reduce carbon emissions and promote renewable energy schemes within the parish.	N/A
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to reduce carbon emissions and promote renewable energy schemes within the parish.	N/A
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline	N/A

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				data. This policy strives to reduce carbon emissions and promote renewable energy schemes within the parish.	
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to reduce carbon emissions and promote renewable energy schemes within the parish.	N/A
To improve water quality	X	X	X	na	N/A
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	X	X	X	na	N/A
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	X	X	X	na	N/A
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to reduce carbon emissions and promote renewable energy schemes within the parish.	N/A

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To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to reduce carbon emissions and promote renewable energy schemes within the parish.	N/A
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. Overall this policy has a positive impact on this objective in the short, medium and long term. This policy will help to reduce carbon emissions in the long term by promoting renewable energy schemes.				

BR20: Poly-tunnel Proposals

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	Long term		

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	5 years)	term (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 and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria for poly tunnel development to ensure adverse effects are minimised.	N/A
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria for poly tunnel development to ensure adverse effects are minimised.	N/A
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria for poly tunnel development to ensure adverse effects are minimised.	N/A
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and	X	X	X	na	N/A

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cultural heritage					
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria for poly tunnel development to ensure adverse effects are minimised.	N/A
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria for poly tunnel development to ensure adverse effects are minimised.	N/A
To reduce contributions to climate change	0	0	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria for poly tunnel development to ensure adverse effects are minimised.	N/A
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria for poly tunnel development to ensure adverse effects are minimised.	N/A

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To improve water quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria for poly tunnel development to ensure adverse effects are minimised.	N/A
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria for poly tunnel development to ensure adverse effects are minimised.	N/A
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria for poly tunnel development to ensure adverse effects are minimised.	N/A
To conserve soil resources and quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria for poly tunnel development to ensure adverse effects are minimised.	N/A
To minimise the production of waste					

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To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy sets out criteria for poly tunnel development to ensure adverse effects are minimised.	N/A
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This policy has a mix of neutral and positive impact on this objective in the short, medium and long term.				

BR21: Protection and Enhancement of 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 +)		

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To maintain and enhance nature conservation (biodiversity, flora and fauna)	0	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to protect and enhance existing community facilities to improve and retain the existing facilities valued by the community.	N/A
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to protect and enhance existing community facilities to improve and retain the existing facilities valued by the community.	N/A
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to protect and enhance existing community facilities to improve and retain the existing facilities valued by the community.	N/A

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To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	X	X	X	na	N/A
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to protect and enhance existing community facilities to improve and retain the existing facilities valued by the community.	N/A
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to protect and enhance existing community facilities to improve and retain the existing facilities valued by the community.	N/A
To reduce contributions to climate change	X	X	X	na	N/A
To reduce vulnerability	X	X	X	na	N/A

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to climate change					
To improve water quality	X	X	X	na	N/A
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	X	X	X	na	N/A
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	X	X	X	na	N/A
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to protect and enhance existing community facilities to improve and retain the existing facilities valued by the community.	N/A
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					

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To conserve natural and manmade resources	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy strives to protect and enhance existing community facilities to improve and retain the existing facilities valued by the community.	N/A
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. Overall this policy safeguard community facilities valued and used by the local community and has a positive impact in the short, medium and term.				

BR22: Protection of Local Green Space and Areas of 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 – 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 and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy identifies and protects important green and open space in the community.	N/A
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy identifies and protects important green and open space in the community.	N/A
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy identifies and protects important green and open space in the community.	N/A
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy identifies and protects important green and open space in the	N/A

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				community.	
To improve air quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy identifies and protects important green and open space in the community.	N/A
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	X	X	X	na	N/A
To reduce contributions to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy identifies and protects important green and open space in the community.	N/A
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy identifies and protects important green and open space in the community.	N/A

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To improve water quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy identifies and protects important green and open space in the community.	N/A
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy identifies and protects important green and open space in the community.	N/A
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy identifies and protects important green and open space in the community.	N/A
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy identifies and protects important green and open space in the	N/A

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				community.	
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 and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy identifies and protects important green and open space in the community.	N/A
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. Overall this policy has a positive impact in the short, medium and long term and will safeguard important local greenspace in accordance with NPPF paragraph 100.				

BR23: Contributions to Community Services, Youth Provision and Recreation 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

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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)	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy contains criteria for new development within Bridstow to support community facilities through section 106 schemes.	N/A
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy contains criteria for new development within Bridstow to support community facilities through section 106 schemes.	N/A
To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy contains criteria for new development within Bridstow to support community facilities through section 106 schemes.	N/A

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To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	X	X	X	na	N/A
To improve air quality	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy contains criteria for new development within Bridstow to support community facilities through section 106 schemes.	N/A
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a neutral impact towards the baseline data. This policy contains criteria for new development within Bridstow to support community facilities through section 106 schemes.	N/A
To reduce contributions to climate change	X	X	X	na	N/A
To reduce vulnerability to climate change	X	X	X	na	N/A
To improve water	X	X	X	na	N/A

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quality					
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	X	X	X	na	N/A
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	X	X	X	na	N/A
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy contains criteria for new development within Bridstow to support community facilities through section 106 schemes.	N/A
To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	0	0	0	This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and will have a positive impact towards the baseline data. This policy contains criteria for new development within Bridstow to	N/A

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

				support community facilities through section 106 schemes.	
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. Overall this policy has a positive and neutral impact on the baseline data in the short, medium and long term.				

BR24: High Speed Broadband and Telecommunications

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)	+	+	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the SEA baseline and strives to improve and enhance existing broadband and telecommunications.	The neighbourhood plan has in built criteria to mitigate any undesirable effects caused from development.
To maintain and enhance the quality of landscapes and townscapes	+	+	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the SEA baseline and strives to improve and enhance existing broadband and telecommunications.	The neighbourhood plan has in built criteria to mitigate any undesirable effects caused from development.

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

To improve quality of surroundings	+	+	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the SEA baseline and strives to improve and enhance existing broadband and telecommunications.	The neighbourhood plan has in built criteria to mitigate any undesirable effects caused from development.
To conserve and where appropriate enhance the historic environment and cultural heritage	0	0	0	Overall this policy has a neutral effect on the SEA baseline and strives to improve and enhance existing broadband and telecommunications.	The neighbourhood plan has in built criteria to mitigate any undesirable effects caused from development.
To improve air quality	+	+	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the SEA baseline and strives to improve and enhance existing broadband and telecommunications.	The neighbourhood plan has in built criteria to mitigate any undesirable effects caused from development.
To reduce the effect of traffic on the environment	+	+	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the SEA baseline and strives to improve and enhance existing broadband and telecommunications.	The neighbourhood plan has in built criteria to mitigate any undesirable effects caused from development.
To reduce contributions to climate change	0	0	0	Overall this policy has a neutral effect on the SEA baseline and strives to improve and enhance existing broadband and telecommunications.	The neighbourhood plan has in built criteria to mitigate any undesirable effects caused from development.

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

To reduce vulnerability to climate change	0	0	0	Overall this policy has a neutral effect on the SEA baseline and strives to improve and enhance existing broadband and telecommunications.	The neighbourhood plan has in built criteria to mitigate any undesirable effects caused from development.
To improve water quality	0	0	0	Overall this policy has a neutral effect on the SEA baseline and strives to improve and enhance existing broadband and telecommunications.	The neighbourhood plan has in built criteria to mitigate any undesirable effects caused from development.
To provide for sustainable sources of water supply	0	0	0	Overall this policy has a neutral effect on the SEA baseline and strives to improve and enhance existing broadband and telecommunications.	The neighbourhood plan has in built criteria to mitigate any undesirable effects caused from development.
To avoid, reduce and manage flood risk	0	0	0	Overall this policy has a neutral effect on the SEA baseline and strives to improve and enhance existing broadband and telecommunications.	The neighbourhood plan has in built criteria to mitigate any undesirable effects caused from development.
To conserve soil resources and quality	+	+	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the SEA baseline and strives to improve and enhance existing broadband and telecommunications.	The neighbourhood plan has in built criteria to mitigate any undesirable effects caused from development.

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

To minimise the production of waste					
To improve health of the population					
To reduce crime and nuisance					
To conserve natural and manmade resources	0	+	+	Overall this policy has a positive effect on the SEA baseline and strives to improve and enhance existing broadband and telecommunications.	The neighbourhood plan has in built criteria to mitigate any undesirable effects caused from development.
Overall commentary and any cumulative effects	Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy and overall has a positive impact in the short, medium and long term improving broadband and telecommunication infrastructure in the parish.				

Key:

++ Move towards significantly	+ Move towards marginally	-- Move away Significantly	- Move away marginally	0 Neutral	? Uncertain	X No relationship
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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
OB1 To preserve, and where possible, enhance the rural character and features of the Parish, including its tranquillity.	+	+	+	+	+	+	0	0	X	X	X	+				+
OB2 To address the highway safety concerns of residents	0	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	X	X	0	0				0
OB3 To ensure the network for walking and cycling is effective, increasing accessibility through these means where possible.	0	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	X	X	X	0				0
OB4 To accommodate new housing sensitively within and adjacent to the Parish's settlements, ensuring the types and sizes of dwellings meet local needs in particular.	0	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	0	0	0	0				0

OB5 To support local businesses where these reflect the nature and scale of the Parish, in particular farm diversification, tourism and working from home	0	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	0	0	0	0				0
OB6 To strengthen community identity and cohesion, and its health and well-being	+	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	X	X	X	+				+
BR1: Promoting Sustainable Development	+	+	+	+	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	0				+
BR2: Development Strategy	0	+	+	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	+				0
BR3: Major Development within the Wye Valley AONB	0	+	+	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	+				0
BR4: Conserving the landscape and scenic beauty within the Wye Valley AONB	++	++	++	+	+	X	+	+	+	X	+	+				++
BR5: Protecting Heritage Assets	+	+	+	++	0	X	0	0	X	X	X	+				+
BR6: Enhancement of the Natural Environment	++	+	+	++	+	X	+	+	+	X	+	+				++
BR7: Protection from Flood Risk	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	++	++	++	+				+
BR8: Sewerage Infrastructure	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	++	++	++	++				+

BR9: Sustainable Design	+	++	++	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				+
BR10: Housing Design and Appearance	0	0	+	X	+	++	+	+	X	X	+	+				0
BR11: Traffic Measures within the Parish	0	0	+	X	+	+	+	+	X	X	X	0				0
BR12: Highway Design Requirements	0	0	+	X	+	++	+	+	X	X	X	+				0
BR13: Housing Development in Wilton	0	+	+	+	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0
BR14: Housing Sites in Wilton (Land north of Wilton Cottages)	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0
BR15: Housing Development in Bridstow	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0
BR16: Housing Sites in Bridstow Village	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0
BR17: Housing development within Buckcastle Hill Area of special character	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	?	?	?	+				0
BR18: Agricultural Diversification, Tourism and other Employment Enterprises	0	+	+	X	+	+	0	0	X	X	X	+				0
BR19: Renewable and Low Carbon Energy	0	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	X	X	X	+				0
BR20: Poly-tunnel Proposals	+	+	+	X	+	0	+	+	0	0	0	0				0
BR21: Protection and Enhancement of Community facilities	+	+	+	X	0	0	X	X	X	X	X	+				+
BR22: Protection of Local Green Space and Areas of Open Space	+	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	0	0	+	+				+

BR23: Contributions to Community Services, Youth Provision and Recreation facilities	0	+	+	x	0	0	x	x	x	x	x	+			0
BR24: High Speed Broadband and Telecommunications	+	+	+	0	+	+	0	0	0	0	0	+			+
Cumulative effects of whole plan (1 + 2 + 3...)	Overall the Bridstow Neighbourhood Plan policies and objectives have mostly a neutral and positive impact towards the SEA baseline data. And are in general conformity with the Core Strategy Overall all of the policies and objectives meet the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA. Policies and objectives strive to preserve and maintain natural and built historic environment that can help mitigate impact from the housing policies. The sites identified within the settlement boundaries lie outside the flood risk zone, therefore development within the settlement boundary is not at risk of fluvial flooding. However they are still at risk of pluvial and surface water flooding. Water supply and flood risk issues in each proposed housing scheme can be determined at planning application stage, and will be tested on a case by case basis.														
Commentary for significant cumulative effects	Overall this has had a positive effect on the SEA baseline data. Overall the unknown areas require further detail such as water quality, flood risk, scale and size of development, therefore are likely to be determined at planning application/ proposal stage. No significant cumulative effects have been identified.														

Appendix 5

Bridstow Group Options

Do nothing

Housing development options

Option 1 – seeking one or two relatively large sites that might accommodate the Core Strategy target for the Parish;

Option 2 – identifying a number of smaller sites that would be in keeping with the scale of development within Wilton and the 3 main settlements in Bridstow;

Option 3 – locating development where this might contribute towards creating a village core for Bridstow.

Site Options

Site 1: Bk6 Land adjacent to Salsdon Cottage. 1 dwelling.

Site 2: Bk2c Land at Oaklands (Small site). 5 dwelling.

Site 3: Bt7 Land at Whitecross. 3 dwelling.

Site 4: Bk2a/b Land at Oaklands.

Site 5: Bt4 Land at the Old Vicarage. 5 dwellings.

Site 6: W2 Land opposite Wilton Cottages*. 9 dwellings.

Site 7: Bk1 Land at Foxdale (3 dwellings).

Site 8: Bk4b Land at Cotterell's Farm (Small site) (8 dwellings).

Site 9: Bt2a/b Land at Bridruthen* (8 dwellings)

Site 10: Bt3b Land west of Wilton Roundabout* (25 dwellings)

Site 11: Bt6b Land at Tanglewood (Small site)* (5 dwellings)

Site 12: Bk7 Land adjacent to 6 Oaklands Cottages* (1 dwelling)

Site 13: C1 Land at Ash Ridge, Claytons* (9 dwellings)

Site 14: W1b/c Land off Wilton Lane, Wilton (Small site)* (9 dwellings)

Site 15: Bt3c Land west of Wilton Roundabout (Small site)*

Site 16: Bt6a Land at Tanglewood* (20 dwellings)

Site 17: Bk4a Land at Cotterell's Farm* (32 dwellings)

Site 18: W1a Land off Wilton Lane, Wilton* (16 dwellings)

Appendix 6

Summary of consultation responses to Bridstow Reg 14 SEA

Consultation date: 31 October to 16 December 2019

Consultation title: Bridstow Neighbourhood Plan Regulation 16

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

Consultee and any comments received:

- Natural England – No comments received specific to SEA
- Historic England – No comments received specific to SEA
- Environment Agency – No comments received specific to SEA
- Natural Resources Wales – No comments received specific to SEA

Responses to comments:

- Comments received are noted, there are no comments to make on the responses received.

Appendix 7

Objectives verses SEA Objectives (SMART and Compatibility Test)

The matrix in this document appraises the final Bridstow NDP policies in terms of their SMART criteria and their compatibility with the SEA objectives. These have been developed from Government guidance on SEA and from the local evidence base gathered for identifying the NDP issues.

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Assessment outcome key
Very compatible-Very positive effect
Compatible –Positive effect
Conflict- Negative effect
Neutral-Neutral effect
No relationship between objectives- No link
Uncertain- more information needed

SMART criteria:

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

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.

A – Attainable/achievable: NDP objectives should be achievable and deliverable, related to the scale of growth proposed

R – Realistic: NDP objectives should relate to the overall vision of the plan. Likewise, chosen indicators should relate to objectives and their outcomes.

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

Assessment of Neighbourhood Plan Policies against the SEA Objectives and SEA Baseline
Objective OB3

SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Neutral	Positive	Positive	No link	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	No link	No link	No link	Neutral	N/A	N/A	N/A	Neutral

Summary in relation to baseline:

Overall this objective has a positive and neutral impact on the baseline data. This successfully addresses the SEA and baseline objectives where relevant.

Overall commentary and any initial cumulative effects/ Recommendations:

Overall this objective meets the SEA baseline as it will help to ensure safe network for walking, cycling and safe access of new development and impact on the environment in the neighbourhood area. Changes post regulation 14, add further detail and add criteria to protect former railway for potential walking and cycling route.

Conformity with Core Strategy:

This objective meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.

Objective OB4

SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	N/A	N/A	N/A	Positive

Summary in relation to baseline:

Overall this objective has a positive and neutral impact on the baseline data and successfully addresses the SEA and baseline objectives where relevant.

Overall commentary and any initial cumulative effects/ Recommendations:

Overall this objective meets the SEA baseline as it will help to accommodate appropriate designed housing to meet local needs in the neighbourhood area. Changes post regulation 14, add further criteria safeguarding the community from pollution, noise, air quality and light. This continues to have an overall positive impact on the sea objectives.

Conformity with Core Strategy:

This objective meets the Core Strategy requirements for the purposes of the SEA.

Assessment of the short, medium and long term effects of the NDP policies/sites on the SEA Objectives

The matrix in this document appraises the final Bridstow NDP policies in terms of their effect on the SEA objectives over the short, medium and long term. These have been developed from Government guidance on SEA and from the local evidence base gathered for identifying the NDP issues.

Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Assessment outcome key
Very compatible-Very positive effect
Compatible –Positive effect
Conflict- Negative effect
Neutral-Neutral effect
No relationship between objectives- No link
Uncertain- more information needed

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

BR10

Assessment of the effect of Neighbourhood Plan Policies on SEA Objectives

Short Term (1-5 years)															
SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Neutral	Neutral	Positive	No link	Positive	Very Positive	Positive	Positive	No link	No link	Positive	Positive	No link	No link	No link	Neutral

Summary Explanation:

This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and would only promote sustainable and well designed development in line with Core Strategy. This has a positive impact on the SEA objectives in the short term.

Enhancement and mitigation opportunities:

Mitigation measures are covered in the NDP and Core Strategy.

Medium Term (6-10 years)															
SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Positive	Positive	Positive	No link	Positive	Very Positive	Positive	Positive	No link	No link	Positive	Positive	No link	No link	No link	Positive

Summary Explanation:

This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and would only promote sustainable and well designed development in line with Core Strategy. This has a positive impact on the SEA objectives in the medium term.

Enhancement and mitigation opportunities:

Mitigation measures are covered in the NDP and Core Strategy.

Long Term (11+ years)															
SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Positive	Positive	Positive	No link	Positive	Very Positive	Positive	Positive	No link	No link	Positive	Positive	No link	No link	No link	Positive

Summary Explanation:

This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and would only promote sustainable and well designed development in line with Core Strategy. This has a positive impact on the SEA objectives in the long term.

Enhancement and mitigation opportunities:

Mitigation measures are covered in the NDP and Core Strategy.

Overall commentary and any cumulative effects:

Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This policy has a positive impact in the short, medium and long term and will ensure new development strives to respect the character of the existing environment through sustainable design. Changes post regulation 14 add further detail for safeguarding amenity. This change, continues to have a positive impact on the SEA objectives.

BR11

Assessment of the effect of Neighbourhood Plan Policies on SEA Objectives

Short Term (1-5 years)															
SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Neutral	Neutral	Positive	No link	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	Neutral	No link	No link	No link	No link	Neutral	No link	Neutral

Summary Explanation:

This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and would only promote safe access, promotion of sustainable transport and in line with Core Strategy policy MT1. This also stipulates a need for transport assessments, where appropriate. This has a neutral and positive impact in the short term.

Enhancement and mitigation opportunities:

Mitigation measures are covered in the NDP and Core Strategy.

Medium Term (6-10 years)															
SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Neutral	Neutral	Positive	No link	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	Neutral	No link	No link	No link	No link	Neutral	No link	Neutral

Summary Explanation:

This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and would only promote safe access, promotion of sustainable transport and in line with Core Strategy policy MT1. This also stipulates a need for transport assessments, where appropriate. This has a neutral and positive impact in the medium term.

Enhancement and mitigation opportunities:

Mitigation measures are covered in the NDP and Core Strategy.

Long Term (11+ years)															
SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Neutral	Neutral	Positive	No link	Positive	Positive	Positive	Positive	Neutral	No link	No link	No link	No link	Neutral	No link	Neutral

Summary Explanation:

This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and would only promote safe access, promotion of sustainable transport and in line with Core Strategy policy MT1. This also stipulates a need for transport assessments, where appropriate. This has a positive impact in the long term.

Enhancement and mitigation opportunities:

Mitigation measures are covered in the NDP and Core Strategy.

Overall commentary and any cumulative effects:

Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This has a positive impact on the baseline data in the short, medium and long term. Changes post regulation 14 add further detail, to improve road safety and access. This change continues to have a positive impact on the SEA objectives.

BR12

Assessment of the effect of Neighbourhood Plan Policies on SEA Objectives

Short Term (1-5 years)															
SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	No link	Positive	Very positive	Positive	Positive	No link	No link	Positive	Positive	No link	No link	No link	Neutral

Summary Explanation:

This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and would only promote appropriate highway design to promote highway safety and in line with Core Strategy policy MT1. This has a positive and neutral impact in the short term.

Enhancement and mitigation opportunities:

Mitigation measures are covered in the NDP and Core Strategy.

Medium Term (6-10 years)															
SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Neutral	Neutral	Positive	No link	Positive	Very positive	Positive	Positive	No link	No link	Positive	Positive	No link	No link	No link	Neutral

Summary Explanation:

This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and would only promote appropriate highway design to promote highway safety and in line with Core Strategy policy MT1. This has a neutral impact in the medium term.

Enhancement and mitigation opportunities:

Mitigation measures are covered in the NDP and Core Strategy.

Long Term (11+ years)															
SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Neutral	Positive	Positive	No link	Positive	Very positive	Positive	Positive	No link	No link	Positive	Positive	No link	No link	No link	Neutral

Summary Explanation:

This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and would only promote appropriate highway design to promote highway safety and in line with Core Strategy policy MT1. This has a positive impact in the long term.

Enhancement and mitigation opportunities:

Mitigation measures are covered in the NDP and Core Strategy.

Overall commentary and any cumulative effects:

.Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This has a positive impact in the short, medium and long term and help improve highway safety and highway design. This change post regulation 14, adds further detail to highway design and promotion of safe access. This continues to have a overall positive impact on the SEA objectives.

BR15 Housing Sites in Bridstow Village

Assessment of the effect of Neighbourhood Plan Policies on SEA Objectives

Short Term (1-5 years)															
SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Neutral	Neutral	Positive	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Uncertain	Uncertain	Uncertain	Neutral	No link	No link	No link	Neutral

Summary Explanation:

This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives, and would only promote housing development in Bridstow, in line with Core Strategy. This policy identified housing sites in Bridstow Village. Impact of water quality is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application stage, on a case by case basis.

Enhancement and mitigation opportunities:

Mitigation measures are covered in the NDP and Core Strategy.

Medium Term (6-10 years)															
SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Neutral	Positive	Positive	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Uncertain	Uncertain	Uncertain	Neutral	No link	No link	No link	Neutral

Summary Explanation:

This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and would only promote housing development in Bridstow in line with Core Strategy. Impact of water supply is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application process, on a case by case basis.

Enhancement and mitigation opportunities:

Mitigation measures are covered in the NDP and Core Strategy.

Long Term (11+ years)															
SEA Objectives															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Neutral	Positive	Positive	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Positive	Positive	Uncertain	Uncertain	Uncertain	Positive	No link	No link	No link	Neutral

Summary Explanation:

This Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy in terms of SEA objectives and would only promote housing development in Bridstow, in line with Core Strategy.

Impact of flood risk is uncertain at this stage and could be defined later in the planning application process, on a case by case basis. Mitigation measures are covered in the NDP and Core Strategy.

Overall commentary and any cumulative effects:

Overall this Policy is not over and above the Core Strategy and the policy moves towards the relevant SEA objectives. No cumulative effects have been identified for this policy. This policy has a positive impact in the short, medium and long term and will identifying housing sites in Bridstow Village. Changes post regulation 14 has removed a site, 0.16 hectares at Whitecross at Bannuttree has been removed due to nature of the site and impact from noise and air pollution from the A40. This changes for 5 sites now allocated in Bridstow. This changes are due to site viability, overall the neutral impact on the sea objectives remains.

Appendix 8

Objectives and context	Where are the points covered in Neighbourhood Development Plan SEA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Neighbourhood Development Plan's purpose and objectives are made clear. • 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. • SEA objectives are clearly set out and linked to indicators and targets where appropriate. • 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. • Conflicts that exist between SEA objectives; between SEA and Neighbourhood Development Plan objectives; and between SEA objectives and other local plan objectives are identified and described. 	<p>Chapter 1.6 – 1.10</p> <p>Chapter 2 methodology, chapter 3 and tables A2 and A3</p> <p>Chapter 3 paragraph 3.5 and 3.7</p> <p>Chapter 3, paragraph 3.1</p> <p>Chapter 3</p>
<p>Scoping</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statutory Consultees are consulted in appropriate ways and at appropriate times on the content and scope of the Environmental Report. • The assessment focuses on significant issues. • Technical, procedural and other difficulties encountered are discussed; assumptions and uncertainties are made explicit. 	<p>Chapter 2, paragraphs 2.6-2.9</p> <p>Chapter 2 and chapter 4</p> <p>Chapter 2</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reasons are given for eliminating issues from further consideration. 	Chapter 2, chapter 4 and chapter 5
<p>Alternatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Realistic alternatives are considered for 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. 	<p>Chapter 4 and chapter 5</p> <p>Paragraph 5.4</p> <p>Chapter 5</p> <p>Chapter 5</p> <p>Chapter 5</p>
<p>Baseline information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevant aspects of the current state of 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 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 information or methods are explained. 	<p>Chapter 1, Chapter 3</p> <p>Initial screening report and Chapter 1</p> <p>Chapter 2</p>
<p>Prediction and evaluation of likely significant environmental effects</p>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<p>Tables A2, A3 and A4</p> <p>Tables B2 and B3, Table D2 and D3</p> <p>Table B4</p> <p>Chapter 5, chapter 6</p> <p>Chapter 5, chapter 6</p> <p>Chapter 2</p>
<p>Mitigation measures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<p>Chapter 6, paragraph 6.6 – 6.9</p> <p>Chapter 6</p>
<p>The Environmental Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is clear and concise in its layout and presentation. • Uses simple, clear language and avoids or explains technical terms. 	<p>-</p> <p>-</p> <p>-</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<p>Chapter 2</p> <p>Paragraph 2.6-2.9</p> <p>Paragraph 2.8-2.9</p> <p>Page 1 / Paragraph 1.8 / Chapter 6</p>
<p>Consultation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<p>Paragraph 2.6-2.9</p> <p>Chapter 8</p>
<p>Decision-making and information on the decision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. 	<p>Chapter 8</p> <p>Chapter 6</p> <p>Chapter 6</p>

<p>Monitoring measures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.) And that • Proposals are made for action in response to significant adverse effects arising from the monitoring of the Neighbourhood Development Plan. 	<p>Chapter 7</p> <p>Chapter 7</p> <p>Chapter 7</p> <p>Chapter 7</p>