

Habitats Regulations Assessment



Brilley Neighbourhood Area

Addendum

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Brilley HRA addendum report

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1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 To ensure that the requirements of the Habitats Directive and Regulations are met, it is necessary to consider the proposed amendments through the HRA process to the Brilley NDP; the NDP was refined by the NDP steering group to reflect feedback from consultation on the Draft Plan and Draft Environmental and Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) Reports, refer to Appendix 2.
- 1.2 Prior to the regulation 14 consultation held in April 2016 a previous regulation 14 consultation was held in December 2014, this was carried out before the adoption of the Core Strategy. Modifications were made to the Core Strategy and Brilley refined their NDP changing policies in order to conform to Core Strategy policy. There were significant changes made to the NDP, therefore this required a full HRA rescreening of options, policies and objectives and a new regulation 14 consultation was undertaken in April 2016.
- 1.3 The purpose of this further HRA Addendum Report is to detail the findings of the screening of proposed changes to policies and consider if they significantly affect the conclusions of the earlier HRA Report (April 2016).
- 1.4 The majority of refinements are not considered to significantly affect the conclusions of the earlier HRA report as many were points of clarification. Three policies have been modified to include criteria regarding safeguarding of the River Wye SAC, other policies were amended to make minor clarification as a result of the representations to the draft consultation. However there were no changes to the overall vision and objectives of the existing planning policies.

2 Screening of draft NDP

- 2.1 Regulation 102 of the Habitats Regulations 2010 requires that a Screening Assessment Be undertaken, in order to identify the 'likely significant effects' of an NDP. Accordingly, a screening matrix was prepared and this determined the extent to which any of the policies within the Brilley NDP would be likely to have a significant effect on the River Wye SAC. It should be noted that the River Wye itself is not within the parish and only a small part of the parish is contained within the hydrological catchment of the River Wye SAC.
- 2.2 The findings of the screening matrix can be found in Appendices 1 and 2 of that report.
- 2.3 The screening matrix took the approach of screening each policy and objective individually, which is consistent with current guidance. The results from the HRA reports for the Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy) were also taken into consideration.
- 2.4 None of the Brilley NDP objectives and policies (April 2016) were concluded to be likely to have a significant effect on the European site, however two policies were highlighted as having the potential to be strengthened by the inclusion of additional criteria to avoid comprise of the nutrient management plan targets. This conclusion is based on assumptions and information contained within the Brilley NDP, the Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy) and the HRA for the Local Plan (Core Strategy).
- 2.5 In many cases this is because the policies themselves would not result in development, i.e. they related instead to criteria for development. In several cases the policies also included measures to help support the natural environment including biodiversity.
- 2.6 It is unlikely that the Brilley Neighbourhood Plan will have any in-combination effects with any Plans from neighbouring parish council due to the level of growth proposed is of the same that is proposed for the Kington Housing Market Area in the Herefordshire Core Strategy

- 2.7 Therefore it was concluded that the **Brilley NDP will not have a likely significant effect on the River Wye (including the River Lugg) SAC.**
- 2.8 The proposed amendments within the submission NDP have been screened to consider if they are likely to significantly affect the findings of the previous HRA Report, prepared in April 2016. A summary of the main findings is provided below.

3.0 Summary of main findings – modifications to NDP

- 3.1 The Submission NDP (April 2016) incorporates additional policy criteria to add clarity and emphasis throughout the document. Of particular importance is that Policy BR3 and BR10, which further safeguards environmental impact on landscape character and the natural environment as well as promoting sustainable modes of transport.

4.0 Conclusion

- 4.1 With reference to section 3 above, the modifications the policies of the revised draft of the Brilley NDP are considered to affect the findings of the first HRA report in a positive way as in many cases policies have been strengthened by the addition of criteria specifically referencing the avoidance of impacts on the River Wye SAC and other environmental assets.
- 4.2 Therefore the earlier conclusion that the **Brilley Neighbourhood Plan will not have a Likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC** still remains valid.

5.0 Next steps

- 5.1 This Addendum Report will be published alongside both the revised draft NDP and earlier HRA Reports for consultation under Regulation 14 from July through to September 2016. Any further changes to the plan that arise as a result of the consultation will be subject to further screening to consider their significance with regard to HRA.

Appendix 1

Table 2: HRA Re-Screening of Emerging Redrafted Neighbourhood Development Plan Policies**Parish Council Name:** Brilley Parish Council**NDP Title:** Brilley Neighbourhood Plan**Date undertaken:** 19 April 2016 until 3 June 2016.

NDP Redrafted objectives/options/policies	HRA Re-Screening Assessment of Emerging redrafted NDP objectives, options and policies				
	Likely activities (operations) to result as a consequence of the redrafted policy	Likely effect if redrafted objective/option/policy implemented. Could they have LSE on European Sites? (Yes/No, with reasons)	European Sites potentially affected (Refer to Initial Screening)	Mitigation measures to be considered to avoid any impacts	If recommendations are implemented, would it be possible that it would result in no likely significant effect? (Yes/No with reasons)
Policy BR3	Additional criteria clarifies policy adding in safeguarding criteria for the natural environment in relation to landscape and built character.	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	No	Good practice measures are implemented during and after construction phase ensuring there is minimal noise and vibration.	No. This policy will not lead to development. The policy criteria has been strengthened by adding further criteria safeguarding natural and built environment.
Policy BR10	Additional criteria promotes sustainable transport this overall will help to minimise air pollution and traffic within the parish.	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	No	N/A	No. This policy will lead to new traffic development, and specifically aims to improve road safety and activate sustainable means of transport.

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Appendix 2

Template 2: HRA Consultation Feedback

This consultation feedback is **only** for comments received on the HRA of the Neighbourhood Development Plan

Parish Council Name: Brilley Parish Council

Neighbourhood Development Plan Name: Brilley Neighbourhood Plan

Details of consultation: *this could include how the consultation was advertised and what information was provided*

Consultation date: 19 April 2016 to 3 June 2016.

Consultation title: Brilley Neighbourhood Plan

Response Date	Consultee	Summary of Comments	Response to Comments
3 rd June	Natural England	Having reviewed the Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Report Natural England agree with the conclusion that the Brilley Neighbourhood Development Plan is unlikely to have significant effects on the River Wye SAC. This conclusion is reached on the basis that the Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) is in line with the Herefordshire Local Plan and the NDP can rely on the policies within the local plan to ensure no likely significant effects.	Duly noted

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Brilley HRA

HRA Screening Assessment

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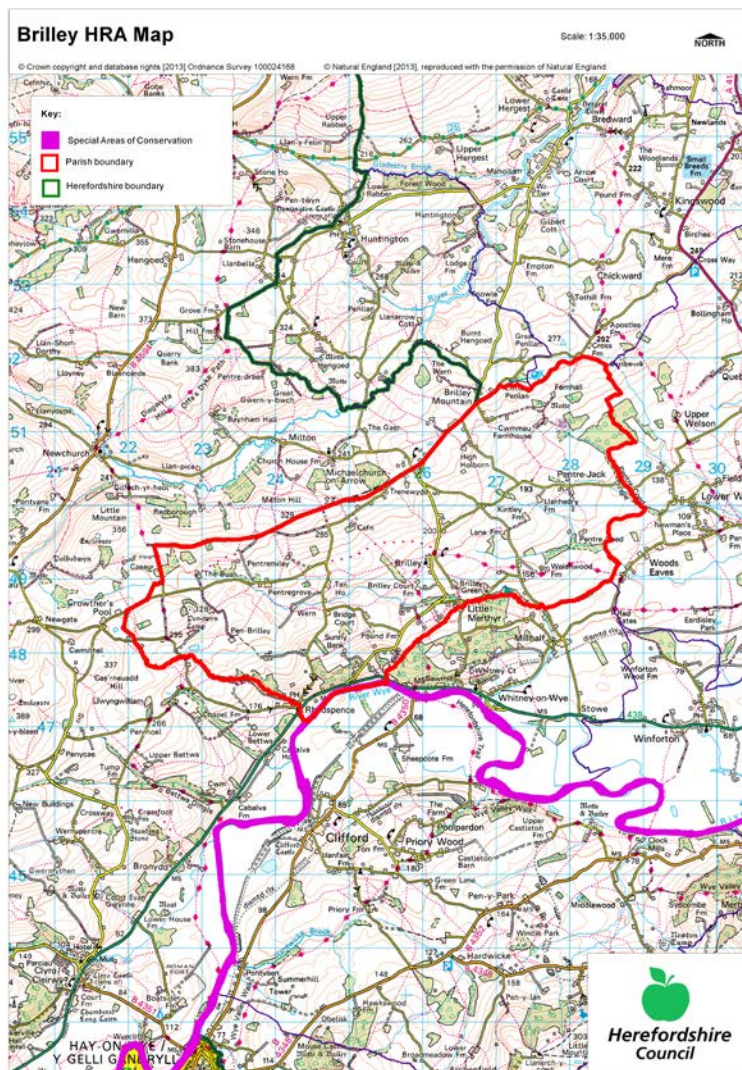
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1 Introduction

- 1.1 This Screening Assessment relates to a Neighbourhood Development Plan that is considered to be in general conformity with higher level strategic plans, such as the Herefordshire Core Strategy and the National planning Policy Framework. The screening stage involves assessing broadly whether the Draft Neighbourhood Plan is likely to have a significant effect on any European site(s).
- 1.2 Brilley Parish Council is producing a Neighbourhood Development Plan for Brilley Parish, in order to set out the vision, objectives and policies for the development of the Parish up to 2031. This HRA reviews the Draft Brilley Plan November 2014.
- 1.3 The NDP is criteria based and does not allocate sites. It provides general policies that clarify and provide detail to the policies within the Herefordshire Core Strategy therefore it requires a high level screening assessment to build upon the HRA Screening Assessment Report for the Herefordshire Core Strategy. This high level screening assessment should be read in combination with the Herefordshire Pre-submission publication of the Local Plan-Core Strategy Habitat Regulations Assessment Report (April 2014) and ensures that there will not be any significant impacts upon Natura 2000 sites.
- 1.4 The map below shows Brilley Neighbourhood Area with the European Site highlighted.



2 The requirement to undertake Habitats Regulations Assessment of neighbourhood plans

- 2.1 The requirement to undertake HRA of development plans was confirmed by the amendments to the “Habitats Regulations” published for England and Wales in July 2007 and updated in 2013. Therefore, when preparing its NDP, Brilley Parish Council is required by law to carry out an assessment known as “Habitats Regulations Assessment”. It is also a requirement in Regulation 32 schedule 2 of the Neighbourhood Planning Regulations 2012.
- 2.2 Article 6(3) of the EU Habitats Directive provides that:
Any plan or project not directly connected with or necessary to the management of the [European] site but likely to have a significant effect thereon, either individually or in combination with other plans or projects, shall be subject to appropriate assessment of its implications for the site in view of the site's conservation objectives. In the light of the conclusions of the assessment of the implications for the site and subject to the provisions of paragraph 4, the competent national authorities shall agree to the plan or project only after having ascertained that it will not adversely affect the integrity of the site concerned and, if appropriate, after having obtained the opinion of the general public.
- 2.3 HRA is an impact-led assessment and refers to the assessment of the potential effects of a neighbourhood plan on one or more European sites, including Special Protection Areas (SPAs) and Special Areas of Conservation (SACs):
- **SPAs** are classified under the European Council Directive ‘on the conservation of wild birds’ (79/409/EEC; ‘Birds Directive’) for the protection of **wild birds and their habitats** (including particularly rare and vulnerable species listed in Annex 1 of the Birds Directive, and migratory species).
 - **SACs** are designated under the Habitats Directive and target **particular habitats** (Annex 1) and/or species (Annex II) identified as being of European importance.
- 2.4 For ease of reference during HRA, general practice has been that these three designations are collectively referred to as either **Natura 2000** or **European sites**. This means that a Screening Assessment is carried out with regard to the Conservation Objectives of the European Sites and with reference to other plans or projects to identify if any significant effect is likely for any European Site.

3 Methodology

- 3.1 As the Brilley Plan is not directly connected with the management of any European sites, and includes proposals for development which may affect European sites, it is necessary under Regulation 102(1)(a) of the Habitats Regulations 2010 to undertake screening for likely significant effects on European sites.
- 3.2 The HRA of neighbourhood plans is undertaken in stages and should conclude whether or not a proposal or policy in a neighbourhood plan would adversely affect the integrity of the site in question. This is judged in terms of the implications of the plan for a site’s ‘qualifying features’ (i.e. those Annex I habitats, Annex II species, and Annex I bird populations for which it has been designated) and are measured with reference to the conservation objectives for those qualifying features as defined by Natural England.
- 3.3 The first process is to undertake an initial screening report to determine the need to undertake the requirement for a HRA, this initial screening identifies whether the Plan could impact upon any European site that could be within the Neighbourhood Area or nearby.

- 3.4 If a European Site is within the Neighbourhood Area or the Neighbourhood Area could impact upon a European site then this will need to be taken into account and a full screening assessment will need to be undertaken.
- 3.5 The full screening stage consists of a description of the plan, identification of potential effects on European Sites, assessing the effects on European Sites (taking into account potential mitigation provided by other policies in the plan). For Neighbourhood Plans the outcome should demonstrate there are no likely effects upon the European sites. If any likely effects occur then there will need to be amendments to the NDP made and be re-screened until all likely effects have been mitigated.

4 Results of the Initial Screening Report and options

- 4.1 The initial Screening report (May 2014) found that the River Wye SAC is located to the south of the Neighbourhood Area and therefore a full screening assessment is required.
- 4.2 For full details of the River Wye's attributes which contribute to and define their integrity and vulnerable data see Appendix 1 of the Brilley Plan Initial Screening Report. The Initial Screening Report, May 2014, can be found in Appendix 4 of this HRA report. This information made it possible to identify the features of each site which determine site integrity, as well as the specific sensitivities of each site, therefore enabling later analysis of how the potential impacts of the Brilley Neighbourhood Plan may affect site integrity.
- 4.3 The initial options for the NDP were assessed to determine their environmental impact that could affect the River Wye SAC. Overall the majority of the options proposing any growth appear to depend on location and scale in relation to environmental impact. However the options listed are all on a small scale and are unlikely to have a significant impact on the SAC.
- 4.4 As Brilley progresses from options onto their NDP policies, the Plan will need to identify ways in which the least effect on the River Wye SAC could be achieved, alongside taking forward the preferred options from the consultation from the community. If a majority of these options are taken forward either as standalone policies or in combination with other policies then the mitigation from these options will help to counter balance the effect of all new development within the Parish. A list of the options assessed can be found in Appendix 1, and the Assessment matrix for the options can be found Appendix 2.

5 Description of the Brilley Neighbourhood Plan

- 5.1 The Draft Brilley Plan presents detailed policies for development in the Neighbourhood Area, which is equivalent to the group parish boundary, up to 2031. The first part of the Plan introduces the Plan and its preparation and discusses the background to each of the villages.
- 5.2 The NDP then details the vision for the Group Parish over the Plan period and five objectives of how this will be achieved. The objectives cover the following topics:
Proportionate housing growth
Green space protection
Protection of built and natural
Environment-transport and communications
Support local employment
- 5.3 The NDP also sets out 14 general policies on various topics based on the objective headings above and also for the village, these include:

Sustainable development

Protection of local community facilities
Protection of Local Green Spaces
Scale and Type of housing development
Range tenures types and sizes of houses
Design Principles
Landscape Character
Light Pollution
Development of Communications Infrastructure
Traffic Management
Transport Improvements
Public rights of way
Local employment
Tourism development

6 Identification of other plans and projects which may have ‘in-combination’ effects

- 6.1 Regulation 102 of the Habitats Regulations 2010 requires an appropriate assessment where a land use plan (not directly connected with or necessary to the management of the site) is likely to have a significant effect on a European site, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects. In addition, in accordance with the Neighbourhood Planning Regulation 2012 a NDP cannot have a significant effect on any European Site whether alone or in combination with another Plan.
- 6.2 There are a number of potentially relevant plans and projects which may result in in-combination effects with the Core Strategy across Herefordshire, these plans have been reviewed and can be found in Appendix 2 of the pre-submission publication of the Herefordshire Local Plan – Core Strategy Habitats Regulations Assessment (May 2014). It is seen that as this NDP does not go over and beyond the requirements set out in the Core Strategy this review will also be substantial for the NDP.
- 6.3 The HRA for the Core Strategy also identifies that both the Water Cycle Study for Herefordshire, which indicates the potential for planned water abstraction requirements combined with pressures on European Sites from the Core Strategy policies, and the work on the Nutrient Management Plan, to ensure the favourable conservation status of the SAC in respect of phosphate levels as soon as possible and at the latest by 2027, have both been considered as part of the in-combination assessment.

7 Assessment of the ‘likely significant effects’ of the Brilley Plan NDP

- 7.1 As required under Regulation 102 of the Habitats Regulations 2010, a screening assessment has been undertaken to identify the ‘likely significant effects’ of the NDP. A screening matrix was prepared in order to identify whether any of the policies in the Plan would be likely to have a significant effect on the River Wye SAC.
- 7.2 The findings of the screening matrix can be found in the Screening Matrix in Appendix 3 of this report. Colour coding was used to record the likely impacts of the policies on the European site and its qualifying habitats and species as shown in the table 1 below.

Red	There are likely to be significant effects
Green	Significant effects are unlikely

- 7.3 The Screening matrix took the approach of screening each policy individually, which is consistent with current guidance documents. The results from the HRA report for the pre-submission version of the Herefordshire Core Strategy was also taking into consideration.

- 7.4 Mitigation of some of the identified potential effects could be achieved through implementation of the other policies within the NDP which require good practice measures during and after construction phases, such as more efficient use of water, reduction in waste and encouragement of recycling. The provision and encouragement of use of more sustainable transport measures when improving the transport infrastructure, will also help to reduce car traffic around the parish and surrounding areas.

8 Conclusions from the Screening Matrix

- 8.1 None of the Draft Brilley Plan (November 2014) policies were concluded to be likely to have a significant effect on the River Wye SAC. Based on assumptions and information contained within the Brilley Plan, Herefordshire Core Strategy and the Pre-submission version of the HRA for the Core Strategy all of the NDP policies were found to be unlikely to result in significant effects on the River Wye SAC.
- 8.2 In many cases this is because the policy itself would not result in development, i.e., it related instead to criteria for development. In a number of cases the policies also included measures to help support the natural environment, including biodiversity and therefore no significant effect conclusion could be reached. In addition, these policies have the potential to mitigate some of the possible adverse effects arising from other policies.
- 8.3 The plan is very much criteria based, and does not allocate sites for development.
- 8.4 Dwr Cymru Welsh Water (DCWW) has stated for the Core Strategy that there is sufficient existing permitted headroom in the Sewerage Treatment works serving the Kington area to continue to treat the water from the amount of housing provided for in the Core Strategy policies. In addition, the preparation of the Nutrient Management Plan for the River Wye SAC should ensure that development within Herefordshire which can be accommodated within existing water discharge permits would not be likely to have a significant effect upon the River Wye SAC.
- 8.5 It is unlikely that the Brilley Plan will have any in-combination effects with any Plans from neighbouring parish councils as the level of growth proposed is the same as that proposed for the Housing Market Area in the Herefordshire Core Strategy and all of the proposed housing sites will be of a small scale.
- 8.6 It is therefore concluded that the Brilley Plan will not have a likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC.
- 8.7 Any further amendments to policies (post November 2014) will be rescreened if required and an addendum to this report will be produced.

Appendix 1

Brilley NDP Options

Brilley NDP Options
Option 1-4 houses to be built by 2031
Option 2-8 houses to be built by 2031
Option 3-1-2 houses should be built per development
Option 4- up to 4 houses should be built per development
Option 5- Development should be within the main settlement area
Option 6- Development should be within the whole parish
Option 7- One storey development should be built
Option 8- Two story development should be built
Option 9- There should be no preference into what type of property should be built

Appendix 2

Table 1: HRA Screening of Emerging Neighbourhood Development Plan Options

Parish Council Name: Brilley

NDP Title: Brilley Neighbourhood Development Plan

Date undertaken: September 2014

NDP Options	HRA Screening of Emerging NDP objectives, options and policies				
	Likely activities (operations) to result as a consequence of the objective/option/policy	Likely effect if option implemented. Could they have Likely Significant Effects (LSE) on European Sites? (Yes/No, with reasons) <i>(If no, progress on to next objective/option/policy. If yes, progress on to next set of columns in row)</i>	European Sites potentially affected	Mitigation measures to be considered, as necessary, through redraft of objective/option/policy and to be considered as part of Appropriate Assessment	If recommendations are implemented, would it be possible that it would result in no LSE? (Yes/No with reasons)
Option 1-4 houses to be built by 2031	Potential increase in car use/ parking and congestion. Increased demand in water treatment and abstraction. Increased recreation activities.	Physical disturbance damage Erosion/ trampling Non-physical disturbance, noise vibration. Light and air pollution	Potential effect if development is located in the far south of the parish then this could possibly have a detrimental impact on the River Wye SAC.	Good practice in construction techniques may mitigate potential adverse effects. Improved water efficiency measures metering and addressing leakages in the supply as a result of new development. Development could include sustainable	The proposed scale and extent of such development is unlikely to be significant

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				transport incentives such as cycling, bus pass, and car sharing schemes	
Option 2-8 houses to be built by 2031	Potential increase in car use/ parking and congestion. Increased demand in water treatment and abstraction. Increased recreation activities.	Physical disturbance damage Erosion/ trampling Non-physical disturbance, noise vibration. Light and air pollution	Potential effect if development is located in the far south of the parish then this could possibly have a detrimental impact on the River Wye SAC.	Good practice in construction techniques may mitigate potential adverse effects. Improved water efficiency measures metering and addressing leakages in the supply as a result of new development. Development could include sustainable transport incentives such as cycling, bus pass, and car sharing schemes	Scale and extent of such development is unlikely to be significant
Option 3-1-2 houses should be built per development	Potential increase in car use/ parking and congestion. Increased demand in water treatment and abstraction. Increased recreation activities.	Physical disturbance damage Erosion/ trampling Non-physical disturbance, noise vibration. Light and air pollution	Potential effect if development is located in the far south of the parish then this could possibly have a detrimental impact on the River Wye SAC.	Good practice in construction techniques may mitigate potential adverse effects. Improved water efficiency measures metering and addressing leakages in the supply as a result of new development. Development could include sustainable transport incentives such	The proposed scale and extent of such development is unlikely to be significant

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				as cycling, bus pass, and car sharing schemes	
Option 4- up to 4 houses should be built per development	Potential increase in car use/ parking and congestion. Increased demand in water treatment and abstraction. Increased recreation activities.	Physical disturbance damage Erosion/ trampling Non-physical disturbance, noise vibration. Light and air pollution	Potential effect if development is located in the far south of the parish then this could possibly have a detrimental impact on the River Wye SAC.	Good practice in construction techniques may mitigate potential adverse effects. Improved water efficiency measures metering and addressing leakages in the supply as a result of new development. Development could include sustainable transport incentives such as cycling, bus pass, and car sharing schemes	The proposed scale and extent of such development is unlikely to be significant
Option 5- Development should be within the main settlement area	Potential increase in car use/ parking and congestion. Increased demand in water treatment and abstraction.	Physical disturbance damage Erosion/ trampling Non-physical disturbance, noise vibration. Light and air pollution	Potential effect if development is located in the far south of the parish then this could possibly have a detrimental impact on the River Wye SAC.	N/A	The proposed scale and extent of developments are unlikely to be significant.
Option 6- Development should be within the whole parish	Potential increase in car use/ parking and congestion. Increased demand in water treatment and	Physical disturbance damage Erosion/ trampling Non-physical disturbance,	Potential effect if development is located in the far south of the parish then this could possibly have a	N/A	The proposed scale and extent of developments are unlikely to be significant.

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	abstraction.	noise vibration. Light and air pollution	detrimental impact on the River Wye SAC.		
Option 7- One storey development should be built	N/A	No	N/A	N/A	No this option is unlikely to have any impact on the SAC.
Option 8- Two story development should be built	N/A	No	N/A	N/A	No this option is unlikely to have any impact on the SAC.
Option 9- There should be no preference into what type of property should be built	N/A	No	N/A	N/A	No this option is unlikely to have any impact on the SAC.

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Table 1: HRA Screening of Emerging Neighbourhood Development Plan Objectives and Policies

Parish Council Name: Brilley Group

NDP Title: Brilley Draft Plan

Date undertaken: November 2014

Core Strategy HRA version: Pre-Submission version of the Core Strategy

NDP objectives, options policies	HRA Screening of Emerging NDP objectives, options and policies				
	Likely activities (operations) to result as a consequence of the objective/option/policy	Likely effect if objective/option/policy implemented. Could they have Likely Significant Effects (LSE) on European Sites? (Yes/No, with reasons) <i>(If no, progress on to next objective/option/policy. If yes, progress on to next set of columns in row)</i>	European Sites potentially affected	Mitigation measures to be considered, as necessary, through redraft of objective/policy and to be considered as part of Appropriate Assessment	Could the policy have likely significant effects on European sites (taking mitigation into account?)
Objective 1- To ensure that the community facilities and green spaces of Brilley are protected for future generations.	Increase in recreation activities	May be physical damage from erosion and trampling of green space. No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	River Wye SAC	Measures included in the Core Strategy OS1-OS3 may help relieve any potential increase in pressure for recreation space if properly implemented.	No. This is highly unlikely to have a significant effect on the River Wye SAC. This objective will safeguard green space and ensure community facilities are protected.

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<p>Objective 2-To promote a level of housing growth that is proportionate to the size and scale of Brilley so that it remains a rural village. A suitable range of properties should be provided so that local people of all ages can continue to live in the parish, families are attracted to the area and local housing needs are met.</p>	<p>Housing development Increased vehicle traffic Increased demand for water abstraction and sewage treatment Sustainable housing growth</p>	<p>Uncertain as to the impact upon the River Wye SAC depending upon location of development</p>	<p>River Wye SAC</p>	<p>The measures set out in the Core Strategy policies and also the NDP policies should help to avoid adverse impacts upon the European site.</p> <p>Improved water efficiency measures, metering and addressing leakages in supply may help to mitigate any additional pressure placed on the water supply as a result of new development.</p> <p>Good practice measures are implemented during and after construction phase ensuring there is minimal noise and vibration.</p>	<p>No. This policy ensures the number of houses to be developed within the villages over the Plan period to be in proportion in size and scale.</p>
<p>Objective 3-Ensure that the natural and built environment of the parish is protected and enhanced for future generations through suitably designed and sustainable development and by protecting key</p>	<p>Promoting measures to ensure the historic, cultural and ecological heritage of the Parish remains or is enhanced.</p>	<p>No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>No. This objective will not lead to development itself but will seek to improve the historic environment that currently exists within the Neighbourhood area.</p>

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environmental and heritage assets.					
Objective 4- To vigorously encourage the appropriate improvements in transport & communications infrastructure to support present demand and future growth in Brilley.	Development of transport infrastructure Promote improvement of communications for all members of the community	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	N/A	Ensure sustainable transport measures are considered in developing transport infrastructure.	No. This objective could result in transport development infrastructure but more as a means of traffic management. Also to enhance the facilities that are currently in existence and to ensure there are sustainable transport routes in place.
Objective 5- To support existing employment in the parish and encourage new employment and tourism opportunities, including working from home, while ensuring current, new or expanded businesses within the area do not have an adverse impact on the environment or residential amenity.	Potentially increase use on public transport and public car use.	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	N/A	Ensure sustainable transport measures are considered and public transport measures are considered to support tourism opportunities.	No. This objective will not seek to provide development but ensure new employment and tourism opportunities are supported and do not have a detrimental impact on the environment.

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Policy-BR1- Protection of Local Community Facilities	Protect existing community facilities	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	N/A	N/A	No. This policy will not lead to development but ensures local community facilities are protected.
Policy-BR2- Protection of Local Green Spaces.	Protection of green space	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	N/A	N/A	No. This policy will not lead to development but will ensure local green spaces are protected. This policy could help to provide mitigation against the potential of other NDP policies, potentially conserving and enhancing local biodiversity.
Policy-BR3- Scale and Type of New Housing development in the Parish of Brilley	Ensuring that any new housing development is fitting with its context and does not impact upon the character of the village	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	N/A	Good practice measures are implemented during and after construction phase ensuring there is minimal noise and vibration.	No. This policy will not lead to development; rather it aims to ensure that new development is in keeping with the local character of the village.
Policy-BR4- Ensuring an appropriate range of tenures, types and sizes of houses.	Ensuring that any new housing development contributes to mixed developed in relation to local housing needs.	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	N/A	N/A	No. This policy will ensure there is a range of tenures, types and sizes of houses provided within new development.

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Policy-BR5-General Design Principles.	N/A	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	N/A	N/A	No. This policy is not likely to lead to development but rather it aims to provide design guidelines for new development.
Policy-BR6-Landscape Character	N/A	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	N/A	N/A	No. This policy is not likely to lead to development but rather it aims to provide guidelines for potential development in order to protect the local landscape character.
Policy-BR7-Dark Skies	Reduction of outdoor lighting	No Likely Significant effect on the River Wye SAC	N/A	N/A	No. This policy will not lead to new development; but rather it will ensure that any new development has no or little impact upon light pollution.
Policy-BR8-Supporting Development of Communications	Development of social and community facilities and infrastructure Strengthen broadband	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	N/A	Good practice measures are implemented during and after construction phase ensuring there is	No. This objective is not likely to lead to development but ensure

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Infrastructure	<p>infrastructure</p> <p>Reduction in car usage</p> <p>Small reduction in air pollution</p>			minimal noise and vibration.	communications infrastructure is strengthened for community use. Faster broadband speeds may provide work from home opportunities, thereby reducing the need to travel.
Policy-BR9 -Traffic management	Improvement of road safety	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	N/A	N/A	No. This objective will not lead to development itself but will look to ease the pressures between the community and transport through the Parish.
Policy- BR10 -Transport Improvements	<p>Development of transport infrastructure</p> <p>Traffic Calming measures</p>	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	N/A	Ensure sustainable transport measures are considered during the construction phases of the development.	No. This policy will lead to new traffic development, and specifically aims to improve road safety and introduce traffic calming within
Policy-BR11 -Public rights of way/ connectivity	<p>New public rights of way created.</p> <p>Provision of landscaping and planting.</p>	No likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC	N/A	N/A	No. The policy may help mitigate other policies in place it aims to promote and boost biodiversity by linking wildlife corridors.

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<p>Policy-BR12- Supporting and enhancing existing local employment.</p>	<p>Job creation Potential increase in transport.</p>	<p>No significant effect upon the River Wye</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>Increase in transport is likely to be mitigated by BR9 and B910.</p>	<p>No. The policy will not itself lead to development, but promote economy and job growth. This may increase traffic but this is mitigated by other NDP policies.</p>
<p>Policy- BR13-New local employment opportunities</p>	<p>Job creation</p>	<p>No significant effect upon the River Wye</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>No the policy ensures there are local employment opportunities providing they do not have a detrimental impact to the surrounding context.</p>
<p>Policy-BR14-Tourism development</p>	<p>New development for tourist accommodation. Potential increase in transport usage.</p>	<p>No significant effect upon the River Wye</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>This policy ensures there is a justified need for proposed development and ensures there is no detrimental impact on the surrounding and environment</p>	<p>No. This policy will new development when justified and pose no detrimental effect on surrounding environment. Development will also be mitigated in policy BR9 and BR10.</p>