

Habitats Regulations Assessment



**Staunton on Wye & District Group
Neighbourhood Area**

2nd Addendum

August 2015

Staunton on Wye Neighbourhood Development Plan - Addendum Report 2

Staunton on Wye Parish Council formally submitted its Neighbourhood Plan proposal to Herefordshire Council on 13 February 2015 under the provision of Regulation 15 of the Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012.

The subsequent local authority publicity period (Regulation 16) was open for six weeks from 16 February to 30 March 2015.

The NDP was then refined by the NDP steering group to reflect feedback from consultation on the Submission NDP Plan and associated Environmental and Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) Reports, as well as the proposed Main Modifications to the Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy).

None of these refinements materially affected the outcomes of the HRA process, as they did not involve the introduction of new policies or change the overall aims and objectives of the existing planning policies, despite the addition of new criteria in certain places. In general, the refinements related to the composition of certain sentences and phrases, minor points of accuracy in relation to technical information and references to evidence base studies and other documentation. The recommendations of statutory consultees have been incorporated where necessary, too.

On that basis, the conclusion set out in the earlier HRA Addendum Report remains valid. That is, the **The Staunton on Wye NDP will not have a likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC.**