

Hi Matthew

Happy for you to forward this on the Inspector, but it is worth noting there are a couple of queries within my comments that may need a bit more detail adding.

Thanks

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Sent: 17 August 2017 12:34

To: Whitehead, Andrew (NE); Graham Megson

Cc: Miller, Michael (NE)

Subject: RE: Hartlepool Local Plan - amended HRA

Hi Andrew,

Many thanks for your comments on Graham's amendments to the HRA. We will ensure these are incorporated into the final document which we will send off with the mitigation strategy tomorrow.

A formal letter next week would be excellent, but in the meantime if you are happy I will forward a copy of your below email to the Inspector to indicate your position if the changes are made.

Thank you for looking at the information at short notice for us, it is much appreciated.

Kind Regards

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Subject: RE: Hartlepool Local Plan - amended HRA

Hi Graham

I read through the amended HRA a couple of weeks ago on the train coming back from Manchester. I may struggle to get you a formal response before tomorrow (which is a non-work day for me) but hope this OK in the meantime. On the whole I agreed with the changes, although I did have a few minor queries:

Section 4.2 – Why isn't Teesmouth and Cleveland Coast SPA included in the European sites mentioned in this list?

Table 2 – You've Redshank as *Tringa Tetanus* rather than *Tringa Totanus* (Auto-correct probably)

Table 3 – Presumably only 3 SSSIs are listed here as these are the ones within Hartlepool?

Section 5 – The changes/ additions you've made to this screening decision table are all helpful. You do need to be careful with the terminology though, so as to avoid muddling the HRA tests. The screening is for likely significant effect, so there shouldn't really be any reference to 'adverse' within these conclusions;

Page 44 LT4 – As this is now a conclusion of LSE, presumably the assessment category column needs changing from B to C

Section 5.2 (Page 53) – Wynyard allocation – I did wonder whether the Wynyard housing allocation would fall within 6km of the SPA, but noted later in the document that you have stuck rigidly to this buffer, so it may worth adding this for clarity here too;

Page 56 – Site EMP3j – It's not clear what this allocation is for beyond being employment land. Has the potential for noise disturbance been considered given the proximity to the SPA?

Page 60 – A couple of typos – Dual not duel, and in the final paragraph on this page impact should be replaced by effect when referring to impacts on the SPA;

Page 61 – Agree with the conclusion for EMP4 with the strengthened wording added

Section 6.4.2 (page 76) – Should this be adverse effect on integrity rather than LSE?

Section 7.3.2 (Page 94) – In the final paragraph – overwintering surveys completed during 2016-17 rather than 2017-18.

Presumably you will want something more formal to update our position, and I'm happy to, but its likely to be next week before I can do this. I hope this is OK. However, in the meantime – the changes and clarifications you've made to the HRA address our previously raised concerns, and we

are now satisfied that all potential impacts on European designated sites have been considered, and suitable mitigation strategies put in place to address any impacts on these sites.

If you need anything more today please let me know.

Regards

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Importance: High

Hi Andrew

Just back from Vietnam and therefore going from a country with no planning requirements to one with lots! Matthew has reminded me that the Inspector wants HBC's latest batch of documents by 5pm tomorrow, so I was just wondering how you are getting on with the NE response? Are you able to support some/ all of the changes made and remove/ reduce your objection?

I've noticed one error in Table 27, where my distance categories were 1-6 and 7-12. I have now changed these to 1-6 and 6-12, as some housing might be 6.5km. Corrected table copied below. NB: I have used actual travelling distances rather than direct line ones.

Table 27. Hartlepool Local Plan HRA funding formula - £/house.

This is based on two factors and applies to new applications from 01/01/2017.

Parameters	£/house	Notes
Accessibility of the coast		
Walking possible (0-1km)	200	Actual route
Car required (1-6km driving route)	100	Actual route
Car required (6-12km driving route)	50	Actual route
Car required (12+km driving route)	0	Only applies to Wynyard development which is 12+km driving route.
Provision of SANGS/ reliance on Council sites		
No SANGS & no Council runs sites used	150	
Reliance on Council run sites (even if some SANGS also provided)	100	Just as SANGS provided on-site, requires a financial commitment (and a costed, long-term, management and maintenance programme), developers reliant on HBC run recreational sites, need to pay a one-off fee to accommodate the additional use. Council tax payers will subsequently contribute.
Adequate SANGS provision	0	Natural England SANGS guidance used.
		Range is £0 to £350 per dwelling

Hope you had a good break too and I look forward to hearing from you.

Cheers
Graham

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