



**Forest of Dean District Council Allocations Plan (AP)
Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) Addendum
Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Addendum
Sustainability Appraisal (SA) Addendum**

RECOMMENDATIONS

September 2016

On the 21st September 2016 the Forest of Dean District Council agreed a number of modifications to the AP following the examination hearings and the inspector’s Interim Finding (24/6/16). These modifications have been considered in light of the requirements for HRA/SEA /SA and in relation to the submitted assessments. The modifications have been assessed in addendums to the HRA and SA/SEA. As a result of this process a number of recommendations are made (set out below). It is proposed that the following changes to the policies will be made by the Council prior to the consultation on modifications expected to be in the autumn of 2016.

| Policy/allocation | HRA / SA-SEA | Proposed Change |
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| Ellwood Road Milkwall - 1.6ha of land for residential | HRA | Policy wording should include: <i>“Development will only be permitted where it can be demonstrated that it will not have an adverse effect on the integrity of the Wye Valley and Forest of Dean Bat SAC.”</i> |
| Augustus – 6.5ha of land for residential development | HRA | It is recommended that for polices identified with potential in-combination impacts that additional wording is added to the policies special requirements. <i>Development proposals must demonstrate that the treatment of waste water and any run off can be adequately provided for and that no adverse effects on the integrity of the River Severn SAC, SPA and Ramsar sites result”</i> Policy wording should also include: |

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| Sneyd Road St Whites Farm – 0.6ha for residential development | HRA | Policy wording should also include: <i>“Development will only be permitted where it can be demonstrated that it will not have an adverse effect on the integrity of the Wye Valley and Forest of Dean Bat SAC.”</i> |
| Newnham North – 1.9ha of additional land (AP90) for residential development | HRA | Landscaping: <i>“To provide substantial planting to the northern edge of the site .”</i> |
| High street Drybrook, - 2.0ha of additional (AP77) land for residential development | HRA | It is recommended that for polices identified with potential in-combination impacts that additional wording is added to the policies special requirements. <i>Development proposals must demonstrate that the treatment of waste water and any run off can be adequately provided for and that no adverse effects on the integrity of the River Severn SAC, SPA and Ramsar sites result”</i> |
| AP62 Poolway Farm | SA-SEA | Within ‘Special requirements’ <i>Substantial landscaping to the hospice and footpath to the west and the north of the allocation which is exposed to more distant views shall be provided within an overall scheme.</i> |
| Cleeve Mill allocation | SA-SEA | Within ‘Special Features’ <i>Development should be set within a strong landscape and green infrastructure framework demonstrating a landscaped transition from the countryside to the east and mitigating exposed views.</i> |
| Southend Lane Allocation | SA-SEA | Within ‘special features’ <i>Substantial eastern landscape/green infrastructure, incorporating the PROW, will be provided. It will make strong connections with existing and proposed green infrastructure adjacent to this allocation.</i> |