DRAFT HABITATS REGULATIONS APPRAISAL POST MODIFICATION ASSESSMENT

Perth and Kinross Council

Local Development Plan 2: Proposed Plan as Modified 2019

Addendum: Record of Habitats Regulations Appraisal (including Appropriate Assessment) update

Analysis of LDP Examination Reporter's Recommendations

September 2019

1. INTRODUCTION

Addendum to the Habitats Regulations Appraisal (HRA)

- 1.1 The Council is required to modify the Proposed Local Development Plan in line with the Reporter's recommendations following the examination of the unresolved representations to the Proposed LDP. The recommendations for modifying the plan include amendments to polices, introduction of new policies and amendments or deletion of proposals and sites.
- 1.2 Given the modifications that are to be made to the plan it is necessary to update the Habitats Regulations Appraisal to reflect the modifications and determine if any further action is required. This addendum sets out for each of the Reporter's recommendations: the issue/proposal to which it refers; the original HRA screening determination; and any subsequent impacts of the Reporter's recommendations in terms of HRA.

2. VISION, KEY OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES SCREENING

2.1 The HRA identified six reasons why the Plan's vision, key objectives, policies, guidance and spatial strategies could be screened out from the need for further assessment. These were identified in HRA table 5.1, an extract of which is reproduced below for ease of reference.

Rea	ason for Screening Determination	Colour Coding
(a)	General policy statements/criteria based policies which set out the Council's aspirations for a certain issue	
(b)	Policies or proposals intended to protect the natural environment, including biodiversity, or to conserve or enhance the natural, built of historic environment, where enhancement measures will not be likely to have any negative effect on a European site	
(c)	Policies or proposals which will not themselves lead to development or change, e.g. because they relate to design or other qualitative criteria for development or other kinds of change	
(d)	Policies or proposals which make provision for change but which could have no conceivable effect on a European site, because there is no link or pathway between them and the qualifying interests, or any effect would be a positive effect, or would not otherwise undermine the conservation objectives for the site	
(e)	Policies or proposals which make provision for change but could have no significant effect on a European site, because any potential effects would be trivial, or 'de minimis' or so restricted that they would not undermine the conservation objectives for the site	
(f)	Policies or proposals for which effects on any particular European site cannot be identified, because the policy is too general, e.g. it is not known where, when or how the proposal may be implemented, or where effects may occur, or which sites, if any, may be affected	

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O1 A Successful Sustainable Place	Screened out under criterion (a) (pages 27-29)	1. Amend the second sentence of the first paragraph on page 14 as follows: "Successful communities are created through their environment, heritage" 2. Amend the final sentence of the vision on page 14 as follows: "the heart of Scotland, an area which celebrates and enhances its rich natural assets and cultural heritage, and an economically dynamic" 3. Amend the final objective on page 14 as follows: "Maintain the distinctiveness and diversity of the area through the protection and enhancement of the natural and historic environment". 4. Amend the sixth objective on page 14 as follows: "Promotion of a strong cultural character through arts, cultural, community sport and recreational facilities" 5. Replace table 1 on page 17 with the table in annex 1. 6. Add the following sentence to the start of the paragraph under the heading "Housing Land Requirement" on page 16 (see Issue 12): "The Housing Land Requirement is the Housing Supply Target plus 18% generosity. Scottish Planning" 7. Replace "2028" and "12,000" in the paragraph under the heading "Housing Land Requirement" on page 16 with "2029" and "13,000" respectively. 8. Add the following new bullet under the heading "Adjustments to the Housing Land Requirement" on page 16:	No HRA implications, the reporter's recommendations would not change the original screening determination.

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		 The reallocation of 10% of the housing land requirement for the Highland Perthshire Housing Market Area to the Greater Perth Housing Market Area due to environmental constraints. Delete the paragraph after the bullet points under the heading "Adjustments to the Housing Land Requirement" on page 16 and replace it with the following: "Table 1 identifies a surplus in the provision to meet the housing land requirement in Perth and Kinross as a whole and in all housing market areas except Strathearn (shortfall of 138 homes). The housing land requirement includes 18% flexibility above the housing supply target (332 homes for Strathearn). Any shortfall in the five year supply of effective housing land will be dealt with through the application of Policy 24 (Maintaining an Effective Housing Land Supply)." Add new Table 1a – Housing Tenure Split (as proposed by the council in this schedule 4) after table 1 on page 17. Amend the figures in table 1a to reflect the housing land requirement figures in the table in annex 1. See also the change to policy 24 recommended under Issue 12 Maintaining an Effective Housing Land Supply. 	
02 Placemaking	Policy 1 (pages 38-39) was screened out under criterion (a).	1. In Policy 1D, delete the last two sentences and, in their place, add: "These capacities are indicative. On sites with an identified capacity range, any proposal for residential development that falls outside this range will be considered where adequately justified by the applicant and when any associated impacts upon infrastructure, open space and residential amenity can successfully be addressed."	The reporter's recommendation provides wording that is not significantly different from the approach of the Proposed Plan policy. It is more explicit as to the capacity ranges being indicative and not being absolute, and on a more general level. it provides clarification as to the policy

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			approach rather than changing the aims of the policy. Screening and
			further HRA and assessment will be
			required at the planning application
			stage and these recommendations
			would not change the original
			screening determination.
03 Perth Area	Policy 4 (page 39) and two of the	1. On page 21 add at the end of Policy 4 Perth City	Recommendations 1 and 4 incorporate
Transport Issues	Perth Area proposals – MU168	Transport and Active Travel:	the relevant mitigation measures set
	(page 82) and the Cross Tay Link	"Development proposals will only be approved where	out in the Appropriate Assessment. No
	Road (page 91) screened in for	they will not result in adverse effects, either individually	further action is therefore required.
	further assessment.	or in combination, on the integrity of the River Tay Special	
		Area of Conservation".	Recommendations 2 and 3 propose
	The Appropriate Assessment for	2. On page 22: delete Policy Map A Perth City Transport	guidance on sustainable and active
	Policy 4 (page 133-134) and for	and Active Travel.	travel. Screening and further HRA and
	MU168 (page 157-158)	3. On page 95: at the footnote to Policy 58B New	assessment will be required at the
	identified no adverse effect	Development Proposals amend the first sentence to read:	supplementary guidance stage and
	subject to existing and proposed	Non-statutory Guidance for Transport will give guidance	these recommendations would not
	mitigation. Further assessment	on sustainable and active travel, "and the infrastructure	change the original screening
	at the design and planning	requirements (such as the Perth Cycle Network Plan as	determination.
	application stages for MU168 and the Cross Tay Link Road.	part of an exemplar walking and cycling friendly settlement and links to other settlements)"; requirements	Recommendations 5, 6 and 7 have no
	and the cross ray link Road.	for public transport availability	HRA implications and would not
		4. On page 250: Perth Area Strategy, at the end of	change the original screening
		paragraph 4 add:	determination.
		"Development of the Cross Tay Link Road should not	determination.
		result in adverse effects, either individually or in	
		combination, on the integrity of the River Tay Special Area	
		of Conservation. Where relevant, applications for the	
		project should be supported by sufficient information to	

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		allow the council to conclude that there will be no such adverse effects". 5. On page 250 Perth Area Strategy, at the end of the bullet point text in paragraph 5 regarding the Cross Tay Link Road, modify the last sentence to read: "The embargo is expected to be lifted in 2021". 6. On page 253: Infrastructure Requirements for Perth, add to the first bullet point in paragraph 3: "Discussion with Transport Scotland is on-going, as part of an agreed contribution strategy to establish which sites will be required to make additional contributions to the strategic road network, including at Broxden and/or Inveralmond junctions". 7. On page 253: Infrastructure Requirements for Perth, amend the second bullet point in paragraph 3 to read: "Preparation of a comprehensive Transport Strategy including infrastructure on the local and strategic road network, public transport services and funding mechanisms".	
04 Policy 5 - Infrastructure Contributions	Policy 5 (page 39) screened out under criterion (f)	1. At the end of the policy but before the note, add the following new wording: "The Council currently seeks specified developer contributions towards Primary Education, Auchterarder A9 Junction Improvements and Transport Infrastructure. Other contribution requirements will be assessed on a case-by- case basis. Perth City Centre Zone Within the Perth City Centre Zone, proposals for fewer than 20 dwellings will not be required to contribute towards Primary Education or Transport Infrastructure.	The reporter's recommendations have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.

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		Where a proposal is for 20 or more dwellings, the contribution requirement will be assessed on a case-by-case basis. Primary Education and New Housing Development Primary Education contributions will be sought from residential proposals for the primary school catchment areas scheduled within the council's supplementary guidance. This schedule is based upon schools that are currently operating at or above 80% of total capacity and where the cumulative impact of extant planning permissions and Local Development Plan allocations would result in the school projected to be operating at or above 100% of total capacity. Where the Council has invested in primary schools to support future development a contribution will be sought from new residential development within the relevant primary school catchment area. The areas where contributions are to be required will be reviewed annually and published in the council's supplementary guidance. In assessing new development against the Primary Education contribution requirement, the following principles will apply: Applies to: Dwellings with two or more bedrooms; Change of use to create a dwellinghouse with two or more bedrooms. Exemptions for: Affordable and Council Housing; Applications for dwellings which are not likely to place an additional burden on the existing schools,	

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		for example student accommodation linked to a college/university or holiday accommodation; Single bedroom dwellings; Sheltered housing. Auchterarder A9 Junction Improvements All new development proposals within the Auchterarder A9 Junction Improvement Area may be required to contribute towards the junction improvements. In assessing new development against the Auchterarder A9 Junction Improvement contribution requirement the following principles will apply: Applies to: Residential dwellings; Non-residential development where a transport assessment is required; Development out-with the Auchterarder A9 Junction boundary, within the Strathearn Housing Market Area, which is identified to have a significant impact on the junction. Exemptions for: Affordable and Council housing; Non-residential developments that do not require a transport assessment or are considered to reduce the need to travel; Proposals within the Auchterarder Development Framework area. Perth Transport Infrastructure All new development within the Transport Infrastructure contribution area may be required to contribute towards the junction improvements.	

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		In assessing new development against the Transport Infrastructure contribution requirement, the following principles will apply: Two tiers of contribution level within Perth Core Area & Out-with Perth Core Area. Applies to:	
05 Policy 6 –	Policy 6 (page 39-40) screened in	1. In the second sentence, replace: "directly adjoining"	Recommendations 3 and 4 incorporate
Settlement	for further assessment because	with: "on sites that adjoin"	the relevant mitigation measures set
Boundaries	there are a number of settlements for which the	2. In criterion (a), replace "is not adjacent to a principal settlement;" with "does not adjoin a principal	out in the Appropriate Assessment. No further action is therefore required.

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	Proposed Plan does not identify specific proposals but where future development opportunities do exist within the settlement boundary and are encouraged by the plan's strategy and policy framework. The Appropriate Assessment for Policy 6 (page 134-136) identified no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage.	settlement boundary;" 3. In criterion (c), delete the full stop and, in its place, add: "; and" 4. Add the following new criterion to the policy: "(d) will not result in adverse effects, either individually or in combination, on the integrity of a European designated site(s)." 5. In the third sentence, replace: "not directly adjoining" with: "on sites that do not adjoin" 6. In the final sentence of Note 2, replace: "adjacent to" with: "on sites that adjoin"	Recommendations 1, 2, 5 and 6 have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
06 Economic Development	Policy 7 (page 40-41) screened in for further assessment because likely significant effects on the qualifying interests of the River Tay SAC have been identified as a result of implementing this policy in relation to proposals MU168 North of Bertha Park, Perth; and MU337 Hillside Hospital, Perth. Policy 8 (page 41) screened out under criterion (f).	 In the first criterion (b) of Policy 7A, after "local road network" add: "and connections to the national road network" In Criterion (g) of Policy 7A, replace "impacts" with "effects" At the end of Criterion (g) of Policy 7A, add the following new sentence: "Applications shall be supported by sufficient information to allow the Council to conclude that there would be no such adverse effects." In the second sentence of Policy 7B, between "(e)" and "of", add: "and (g)" In the second sentence of Policy 9: in all cases, replace "impacts" with "effects" In the second sentence of Policy 9: in all cases, between "Tay" and "of" in the second sentence, add: "and 	Recommendations 3, 4, 6 and 7 incorporate the relevant mitigation measures set out in the Appropriate Assessment. No further action is therefore required. Recommendations 1, 2 and 5 have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.

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	for further assessment because there is potential for significant impacts on the qualifying interests of the River Tay SAC or the Dunkeld-Blairgowrie Lochs SAC as a result of the possible expansion of existing caravan, chalet and timeshare developments identified in the plan. The Appropriate Assessment for Policy 7B (page 136-137) - in respect of MU168 and MU337 (both on pages 157-159) - and for Policy 9 (page 137-138) identified that there would be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may	Dunkeld-Blairgowrie Lochs Special Areas" 7. Add the following new sentence to the end of the second sentence of Policy 9: in all cases: "Applications shall be supported by sufficient information to allow the Council to conclude that there would be no such adverse effects."	
	be required at planning application stage.		
07 Retail and Commercial Centres	Policy 10 and 11 (page 41-42), and Policy 13 (page 42-43) all screened in for further assessment because there is potential for significant impacts on the qualifying interests of the	 In the fifth paragraph of Policy 10, replace: "complementary to city or town centres" with ", provided that they would be compatible with existing city or town centre uses". In the first sentence of Policy 11, between "offices," and "restaurants", insert "cultural facilities (including 	The reporter's recommendations have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
	River Tay SAC and Loch Leven SPA due to the support for the	theatres and other arts venues)" 3. Rephrase and re-order the wording of Policy 12 to read:	

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	creation of additional floor space in identified town centres in the plan. Any development of a reasonable size in the Loch Leven catchment, especially near to watercourses that drain into Loch Leven has the potential to lead to increased flow rates during periods of rainfall. This could lead to increased erosion of the banks of watercourses, resulting in mobilisation of sediment that can find its way downstream into Loch Leven. The Appropriate Assessment (page 139-141) identified that there would be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage. Policy 12 (page 42) screened out under criterion (d).	"Commercial centres are shown on the proposals map. In some of the commercial centres certain uses will be restricted based upon existing planning consents and legal agreements for planning obligations. Proposals to improve commercial centres, including increased floor space will only be acceptable where: (a) a sequential assessment demonstrates that no other suitable site in a sequentially preferable location is available or is likely to become available within the lifetime of the Plan; (b) it can be demonstrated that there would be no significant impact (individual or cumulative) on any city or town centre; (c) it can be demonstrated that the proposal would help meet quantitative or qualitative deficiencies in existing provision; (d) it can be demonstrated that there would be no change to the role or function of the centre in the network of centres; (e) it would be of an appropriate scale; (f) any detrimental impacts identified in the transport assessment would be mitigated, and (g) parking provision and landscaping would not be compromised. Proposals to modify planning obligations and other planning controls that control floor space and/or the range of goods that can be sold from retail units must be justified by a health check, a retail impact assessment and, where appropriate, a transport assessment."	

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		and "should", insert: "for any use that generates a significant footfall (retail, commercial leisure, offices, community and cultural facilities and, where appropriate, other public buildings such as libraries, and education and healthcare facilities)" 5. In criterion (1) of Policy 13, replace "and" with "or"	
08 Community Facilities, Sports and Recreation	Policy 14 (page 43-44) screened out under criterion (b). Policy 15 (page 44) screened out under criterion (e). Policy 16 (page 44) screened out under criterion (f)	1. Amend the first sentence of Policy 14A: Existing Areas to read: "Areas of open space, parks, outdoor sports facilities, including sports pitches, and allotments/community growing areas, are areas of land which have value to the community for either recreational or amenity purposes." 2. Add the following text to the end of the first paragraph of Policy 14B: Open Space within New Developments: "The Council will also encourage opportunities for the provision of community growing spaces as part of new developments where appropriate." 3. Amend Policy 14A: Existing Areas by adding the following to the end of the first sentence: "; these areas are located both within and outside settlement boundaries" 4. Amend the title of Policy 16: Social and Community Facilities to: "Social, Cultural and Community Facilities."	The reporter's recommendations have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
09 Policy 19 Housing in the Countryside	Policy 19 (page 45) screened in for further assessment because it could result in significant effects on the qualifying interest	1. Add the following new sentence to the end of the third sentence: "Applications shall be supported by sufficient information to allow the Council to conclude that there would be no	The reporter's recommendation incorporates the relevant mitigation measures set out in the Appropriate Assessment. No further action is

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	of the following SPAs and SACs: Firth of Tay and Eden Estuary, Loch Leven, South Tayside Goose Roosts and Forest of Clunie SPAs and Dunkeld- Blairgowrie Lochs and River Tay SACs. The Appropriate Assessment (page 141-143) identified that there would be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage.	such adverse effects."	therefore required.
10 Residential Development	Policy 20, 21, 22 and 25 (page 45-46) screened out under criterion (a); and an element of Policy 21B relating to new sites screened out under criterion (f).	1. Add the following new paragraph to the end of policy 25 (Housing mix): "Where an applicant considers that there are extenuating circumstances which mean that meeting these requirements will render a development economically unviable, the council may reduce or waive these requirements. This must be demonstrated through a Development Viability Statement."	The reporter's recommendations have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
11 Policy 23 Delivery of Development Sites	Policy 23 (page 46) screened out under criterion (a).	1. Amend the third sentence of Policy 23 (Delivery of development sites) to read: "On sites of 300 houses or more the Delivery Strategy should demonstrate how delivery will be maximised, including proposals for involving a range of developers and consideration of provision for self-build."	The reporter's recommendations have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
12 Policy 24	Policy 24 (page 46) screened out	1. Amend the second sentence of policy 24 (Maintaining	The reporter's recommendations have

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Maintaining an Effective Housing Land Supply	under criterion (f).	an effective housing land supply) to read: "Where a shortfall is identified through the annual housing land audit, the council will firstly seek to work with landowners/developers to bring sites forward, including sites which have been allocated as longer term expansions, and secondly will consider whether compulsory purchase of sites is required." 2. Amend the third sentence of policy 24 (Maintaining an effective housing land supply) to read: "Only where the council is satisfied that sites within the housing land audit cannot come forward, will proposals on unallocated sites be considered."	no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
13 The Historic Environment	Policy 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 were all screened out under criterion (b).	 Amend the title of Policy 26 Scheduled Monuments and Non-Designated Archaeology by deleting "Non-Designated". Remove the text from the third paragraph of Policy 26B Archaeology and use it to create a new policy following Policy 30 Protection, Promotion and Interpretation of Historic Battlefields entitled: "Other Historic Environment Assets." Delete the first sentence of the third paragraph of Policy 27A Listed Buildings and replace with the following: "Enabling development may be acceptable where it can be shown to be the only means of preventing the loss of listed buildings and securing their long-term future. Any development should be the minimum necessary to achieve these aims." 	Recommendation 2 inserts a new policy, the wording of which has been previously assessed because it was formerly part of policy 26B. It is simply being given a separate policy number of its own. The reporter's recommendation has no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination. Recommendations 1 and 3 have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
14 A Low Carbon Place	A Low Carbon Place Vision and Key Objectives (page 29-31)	1. Insert the following text as a new policy prior to Policy 31 Renewable and Low-Carbon Energy:	Recommendation 1 inserts a new policy that has not previously

	ergone HRA screening. This policy ended to give rise to positive
demonstrate that at least 10% of the current carbon emissions reduction set by Scottish Building Standards will be met through the installation and operation of low and zero-carbon generating technologies. A statement will be required to be submitted demonstrating compliance with this requirement. The percentage will increase at the next review of the local development plan. This requirement will not apply to the following developments: Areas were screened out under criteria (b); SPP Group 2 Areas were screened out under criteria (b); SPP Group 3 Areas were screened out under criteria (f). The Appropriate Assessment concluded that there will be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. However further assessment will be required at Supplementary Guidance demonstrate that at least 10% of the current carbon emissions reduction set by Scottish Building Standards will be met through the installation and operation of low and zero-carbon generating technologies. A statement will be required to be submitted demonstrating compliance with this requirement. The percentage will increase at the next review of the local development plan. This requirement will not apply to the following developments: • Alterations and extensions to buildings. • Ancillary buildings that stand alone and cover an area less than 50 square metres. • Buildings which will not be heated or cooled, other than by heating provided solely for frost protection. • Buildings which will not be heated or cooled, other than by heating provided solely for frost protection. • Buildings will increase at the next review of the local development plan. This requirement. The percentage will increase at the next review of the local development plan. This requirement will not apply to the following. • Ancillary buildings that stand alone and cover an area less than 50 square metres. • Buildings which will not be heated or cooled, other than by heating provided solely for frost protection. • Buildings which will not be heated o	ronmental effects, in particular the irement for low carbon and zero on generating technologies as part ew developments will have positive ets on climatic factors; and rentional carbon-based energy ems will be replaced by low and carbon generating technologies h will have positive effects on air ity – both of these will have cive indirect effects on the natural ronment. The new policy is effore screened out under criterion enables and highlight Strategic ict Heating Opportunity areas and MU334). The new provisions relating the plan's aspirations for future elopment of this type and highlight the ective screening determinations.

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	draft Renewables and Low Carbon Energy Supplementary Guidance The areas for potential for deep geothermal energy sources (page 33-34) were screened out under criterion (f) Strategic district heating opportunities (page 34) were screened out under criterion (f) Proposal for a low carbon hub at Broxden, Perth(page 34-35) was screened out under criterion (d) Policy 31 (page 47-48) was screened out under criterion (a) – apart from the part of the policy relating to a spatial framework for wind energy that has already been screened under the Low Carbon Spatial Strategy as above. Policy 32 (page 48-49) as a whole was screened out under criterion (a). Each separate	carbon energy technologies, including the expansion/ repowering of renewable and low carbon energy generation capacity and heat networks, in accordance with national objectives and targets." 4. Delete the following text from criterion (a) of Policy 31A: New Proposals for Renewable and Low-Carbon Energy: "tranquil and wildness qualities;" 5. Add the following text to the end of the eighth bullet point within criterion (a) of Policy 31A New Proposals for Renewable and Low-Carbon Energy: ", including the any effects on greenhouse gas emissions and impacts from construction;" 6. Add an additional bullet point to criterion (a) of Policy 31A New Proposals for Renewable and Low-Carbon Energy to read: "hazardous installations (including pipelines)." 7. Add a note below both Strategy Map 3 A Low-Carbon Place and Policy Map D Spatial Framework for Wind Energy to read: "Group 1, 2 and 3 are defined within Table 1 of Scottish Planning Policy. Group 1 are areas where wind farms will not be acceptable, in National Parks and National Scenic Areas. Group 2 are areas of significant protection and include national and international designations, other nationally important mapped environmental interests and community separation for consideration of visual impact. Group 3 areas have potential for wind farm development, subject to detailed consideration against Policy 31 Renewable and Low-Carbon Energy."	incorporate the relevant mitigation measures set out in the Appropriate Assessment. No further action is therefore required. Recommendation 3 has already undergone HRA screening under Policy 31 (page 47-48) and it would not therefore change the screening determination. Recommendation 7 has already undergone HRA screening under the spatial framework for wind element of the Low Carbon Place spatial strategy (page 31-33) and it would not therefore change the screening determination. Recommendations 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11 and 12 have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.

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	element of the policy was individually screened: Policy 32A relating to Heat Network Zones, Major Developments and LDP Site allocations was screened in for further assessment. The Appropriate Assessment (page 143-144) identified that there would be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage. Policy 32B was screened out under criterion (f) Policy 32C, 32D and 32E were screened out under criterion (a) — although it is noted that a separate HRA/AA is to be undertaken for the Sustainable Heating and Cooling Supplementary Guidance Policy 33 (page 49) was screened out under criterion (f)	8. Amend the third bullet point of criterion (a) of Policy 31A New Proposals for Renewable and Low-Carbon Energy to read: "landscape character, Local Landscape Areas, Wild Land Areas and National Scenic Areas;" 9. Add the following text to the beginning of the first paragraph of Policy 31B Repowering and Extending Existing Facilities: "As a result of the potential to make the best use of existing sites and through the continued use of established infrastructure such as grid connections," 10. Add the following text as a new paragraph to the end of Policy 31D Spatial Framework for Wind Energy: "Development proposals should not result in adverse effects, either individually or in combination, on the integrity of a European designated site(s)." 11. Amend the third paragraph of Policy 31D Spatial Frameworks for Wind Energy to read: "Proposals are required to take in to account the Spatial Framework and all other relevant LDP policies and material considerations. The Spatial Framework identifies those areas that are likely to be most appropriate for onshore wind farms as a guide for developers and communities, following the approach set out in Table 1 of SPP." 12. Amend the final paragraph of Policy 31D Spatial Frameworks for Wind Energy by removing the following text: "the spatial framework and" 13. Within Policy 32A Heat Network Zones, Major	

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	Developments and LDP Site Allocations, move the text from the final paragraph of the policy to become the new first paragraph and add the following text as a new second sentence: "The settlements of Perth, Blairgowrie and Crieff have been identified within the Strategic Development Plan as having the potential for heat networks." 14. Add the following text to the end of the first paragraph of Policy 32 Sustainable Heating and Cooling: "The Council acknowledges that heat networks are a modern technology and their development could be challenging. The feasibility of connecting to existing or planned networks, or establishing new heat networks, will be assessed as part of an energy statement. A template energy statement is available to download from the Council's website. Further information on the use and assessment of energy statements and feasibility studies will be included in Supplementary Guidance." 15. Delete Policy 32D Energy Statements/Feasibility Study. 16. Add the following text following as a new second paragraph in Policy 32 Sustainable Heating and Cooling: "TAYplan identifies the settlements of Perth, Blairgowrie and Crieff as having the potential for heat networks. The plan has identified these settlements as strategic district heating focus areas where it is expected that there are opportunities for the delivery of heat networks, taking into account potential retrofit schemes as well as new development sites. Policy 32A provides details on where the council will require developers to consider heat	

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		17. Add the following text to the settlement summary statements for Perth, Crieff and Blairgowrie: "As this settlement is identified as having a strategic district heating focus, an energy statement may be required to investigate the potential for the provision of and/or extension to a heat network to serve the development." 18. Add the following text to the site-specific developer requirements section of sites MU7 and MU334: "Energy statement is required investigating the potential for the provision of, and/or extension to, a heat network to serve the development." 19. Add the following text as an additional criterion to Policy 32A Heat Network Zones, Major Developments and LDP Site Allocations: "(d) not result in adverse effects, either individually or in combination, on the integrity of a European designated site(s)."	
15 Waste Management & Binn Eco Park	Policy 34 (pages 50-51) was screened in for further assessment because there is potential for significant impacts on the qualifying interests of the River Tay SAC and Loch Leven SPA should new or expanded waste management sites be developed at the locations identified in the plan. The Appropriate Assessment (page 144-145) identified that there	1. At the end of Policy 34A, add: "Development proposals for existing waste management infrastructure will only be approved where they will not result in adverse effects, either individually or in combination, on the integrity of the River Tay SAC and Loch Leven SPA." 2. At the end of criterion (k) of Policy 34B, delete "and" 3. At the end of criterion (l) of Policy 34B, delete the full stop and, in its place, add: "; and" 4. Add the following new criterion to Policy 34B: "(m) the proposal will not result in adverse effects, either individually or in combination, on the integrity of the River Tay SAC and Loch Leven SPA."	The reporter's recommendations incorporate the relevant mitigation measures set out in the Appropriate Assessment. No further action is therefore required.

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would be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage.		
A Natural, Resilient Place Vision and Key Objectives (page 35-36) were screened out under criterion (a) Policy 36 and 37 (page 52) were both screened out under criterion (b).	Map of Wild Land Areas, will only be permitted where the Council as Planning Authority is satisfied that: it can be demonstrated that any significant effects on the qualities of these areas can be substantially overcome by siting, design or other mitigation." 1. Delete the current second sentence of the text following "Spatial Strategy for A Natural, Resilient Place" on page 61 and replace with: "The map on the following page demonstrates the	Recommendation 3 inserts a new provision to Policy 36A however the wording is consistent with Scottish Planning Policy and with s53 of The Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 and would therefore not change the original screening determination.
Policy 38 (page 52-53) was screened out under criterion (f).	international, national and local natural heritage designations in Perth and Kinross."	Recommendation 5 inserts a new provision to Policy 36C to ensure local sites are provided with protection from
Policy 39 and 40 (page 53) were both screened out under criterion (b).	include international, national and local natural heritage designations and update the key accordingly. 3. Amend Policy 36A International Nature Conservation Sites by adding "and" to the end of criterion (c) and adding a new criterion (d) to read: "compensatory measures are provided to ensure that the overall coherence of the Natura network is protected." 4. Move the text from Policy 36C Local Designations, including the note, to form a new final paragraph to Policy 37 Landscape. 5. Add the following text as new wording for Policy 36C	inappropriate development proposals. The recommendation also commits the Council to identify local sites through supplementary guidance. A separate HRA/AA would be undertaken during the preparation of the Local Designations Supplementary Guidance. The new provisions have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination. Recommendations 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10,
	page ref in brackets) would be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage. A Natural, Resilient Place Vision and Key Objectives (page 35-36) were screened out under criterion (a) Policy 36 and 37 (page 52) were both screened out under criterion (b). Policy 38 (page 52-53) was screened out under criterion (f). Policy 39 and 40 (page 53) were both screened out under	would be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage. A Natural, Resilient Place Vision and Key Objectives (page 35-36) were screened out under criterion (a) Policy 36 and 37 (page 52) were both screened out under criterion (b). Policy 38 (page 52-53) was screened out under criterion (f). Policy 39 and 40 (page 53) were both screened out under criterion (f). Policy 39 and 40 (page 53) were both screened out under criterion (f). Policy 39 and 40 (page 53) were both screened out under criterion (f). Policy 39 and 40 (page 53) were both screened out under criterion (f). Policy 39 and 40 (page 53) were both screened out under criterion (f). Amend Strategy Map 4 A Natural, Resilient Place to include international and local natural heritage designations in Perth and Kinross." 2. Amend Strategy Map 4 A Natural, Resilient Place to include international, national and local natural heritage designations and update the key accordingly. 3. Amend Policy 36A International Nature Conservation Sites by adding "and" to the end of criterion (c) and adding a new criterion (d) to read: "compensatory measures are provided to ensure that the overall coherence of the Natura network is protected." 4. Move the text from Policy 36C Local Designations, including the note, to form a new final paragraph to Policy 37 Landscape.

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		consideration or geological interest will not normally be permitted, except where the Council as Planning Authority is satisfied that: (a) the objectives of designation and the overall integrity of the designated area would not be compromised; or (b) any locally significant adverse effects on the qualities for which the area has been designated are clearly outweighed by social and economic benefits. Note: The identification of local sites will be included within Supplementary Guidance." 6. Amend the final sentence of the first paragraph of Policy 37 Landscape by inserting ", with reference to an appropriate landscape capacity study" in between "They will need to demonstrate" and "that either". 7. Delete the final paragraph of Policy 37 Landscapes and replace with the following text: "Development which would affect a wild land area, as defined on the 2014 SNH 8. Add the following text to the end of criterion (f) of Policy 38A Forest and Woodland Strategy: "The planting of native trees and woodland will be sought where it is appropriate." 9. Within Policy 38B Trees, Woodland and Development, replace "arboricultural consultant with "suitably qualified professional". 10. Amend the first sentence of the second paragraph Policy 38B Trees, Woodland and Development by adding the word "control" in between "on" and "Woodland" and delete the first and second sentences of paragraph three	implications and would not change the original screening determination.

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		and the first sentence of paragraph four. 11. Add the following text as an additional note to Policy 38 Trees, Woodland and Development: "To aid interpretation of Policy 38B, Policy Map E shows woodland of high nature conservation value (the Native Woodland Survey of Scotland native and nearly native woodland and planted ancient woodland). Please note that the map does not contain all of the types of woodland listed in the Scottish Government Control of Woodland Removal Policy." 12. Amend criterion (b) of Policy 38A Forest and Woodland Strategy by adding "including orchards" after "trees/ woodlands". 13. Delete the final sentence from criterion (a) of Policy 39 Biodiversity and replace with: "In accordance with the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017, development proposals that could have a significant impact on the environment may require an Environmental Impact Assessment." 14. Amend criterion (a) of Policy 40 Green Infrastructure by adding "and/" before "or".	
17 Policy 41 Green Belt	Policy 41 (page 53-54) was screened out under criterion (f).	1. For Policy 41 (f) amend the last sentence to read: "a statement may be required identifying the search area and the site options assessed, the details of the existing or proposed activity to which the infrastructure relates, and the reasons as to why a green belt location is essential." 2. For the explanatory paragraph at the end of the policy start the second sentence separately on a new line.	The reporter's recommendations have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.

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18 Water Catchment Areas	Policy 43 (page 54) and Policy 44 (page 54-55) were both screened in for further assessment because they have potential for significant impacts on the Dunkeld-Blairgowrie Lochs SAC and the Loch Leven SPA. The Appropriate Assessment (page 146-148) identified that there would be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage. Policy 45 (page 55) was screened out under criterion (b)	3. Add a policy note to read: "Where a statement is required under criterion (f), the extent of search area will be a matter for agreement between the applicant and the Council. Where the search area only includes land under a single ownership then the search area should include all of the land in that ownership. The site options assessed should include evidence that all appropriate sites within that ownership have been considered." 1. Add the following text to the end of criterion (b) of Policy 44B: ", that are capable of removing 125% of the phosphorus likely to be generated by the development from the catchment" 2. Add the following text after the final paragraph of Policy 44B: "The requirements of this policy may be secured by means of legal agreements and planning conditions to deliver planning obligations concluded between the applicant and the Council, prior to the issue of planning permission. The delivery of agreed phosphorus mitigation will be required before the occupation of any new dwelling. Mitigation measures should not include measures which are already committed in a spending programme and likely to be implemented by a statutory body within three years of the determination of the application." 3. Delete Policy 44C and move the explanatory note to	Recommendations 4 and 5 implement mitigation measures set out in tables 5.22 Fearnan (page 102) and 5.23 Kinloch Rannoch (page 108) where reference to both these settlements should be added to Policy 45. No further action is therefore required. Recommendations 1,2 and 3 have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
		follow Policy 44B. 4. Amend Policy 45 River Tay Catchment Area to include Fearnan and Kinloch Rannoch in the list of settlements	

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19 Minerals	Policy 46 (page 55) was screened	included within the first paragraph. 5. Amend the settlement summary for Fearnan (page 191) by adding the following text as a new final sentence: "Fearnan lies within the River Tay Catchment Area; Policy 45 sets out the relevant criteria for development in this area." 6. Amend the settlement summary for Kinloch Rannoch (page 219) by adding the following text as a new final sentence: "Kinloch Rannoch lies within the River Tay Catchment Area; Policy 45 sets out the relevant criteria for development in this area." 1. In the first sentence of Policy 46A, replace "important"	Recommendation 4 inserts a new
	out under criterion (f). Policy 47 (page 55-6) was split into two elements for the purposes of screening: Policy 47A screened in for further assessment because it was not possible to know what type or scale of mineral workings will happen and where in the plan area. The Appropriate Assessment (page 148-149) identified that there would be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation	economically workable mineral deposits" with: "mineral deposits of economic value". 2. At the start of Policy 46A, add the following new sentence: "The Local Development Plan will safeguard all workable mineral resources which are of economic or conservation value and ensure that these are not sterilised by other development." 3. At the end of the first sentence of Policy 47B, add the following new clause: "; modifications to conserve locally or nationally important geological sections will be supported and encouraged" 4. At the end of Policy 47B, add the following text: "Note: Detailed advice about the full range of financial guarantees that may be used to secure restoration will be	provision to Policy 47B to provide advice in respect of financial means to secure restoration of minerals sites through supplementary guidance. A separate HRA/AA would be undertaken during the preparation of the Minerals Supplementary Guidance. The new provisions have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination. Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.

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	measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage. • Policy 47B was screened out under criterion (a)		
20 Prime Agricultural Land & Soils – Policies 48 & 49	Policy 48 (page 56) was screened out under criterion (f). Policy 49 (page 56) was screened out under criterion (b).	1. Amend the final sentence of paragraph 3 of Policy 49 Soils to read: "the development would outweigh any potential detrimental effect on the environment. The presence of any carbon rich soils, including peatland, will be required to be validated through the undertaking of appropriate field surveys." 2. Add the following text at the end of paragraph 2 of Policy 49 Soils: "Commercial extraction of peat will only be permitted in areas suffering historic, significant damage through human activity and where the conservation value is low and restoration is impossible." 3. Delete the last bullet point of Policy 49 Soils and replace with the following text: "an assessment of the likely effects of the development on carbon dioxide emissions, and suitable mitigation measures implemented to minimise carbon emissions (with details of both submitted as part of the application)." 4. Add an additional bullet point to Policy 49 Soils to read: "details setting out how the development could contribute towards local or strategic peatland habitat	The reporter's recommendations for new provisions to policy 49 will have positive indirect effects on the natural environment and would not change the original screening determination.

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24 2 11 22 11		enhancement or restoration."	
21 Policy 50 New Development and Flooding	Policy 50 (page 56) was screened out under criterion (a)	1. Add the following text to the settlement statement for Invergowrie: "The National Coastal Change Assessment indicates that there is a risk of erosion at the western edge of Invergowrie at Kingoodie. This could affect some existing properties, and would affect the potential for future development further west of the settlement boundary here. New development requiring new defences against coastal erosion would not be supported except where there is a clear justification for a departure from the general policy to avoid development in areas at risk." 2. Amend the fourth paragraph of Policy 50 New Development and Flooding by adding the following text immediately following 'incorporate a': "suitable climate change allowance as well as a" 3. Amend the first criterion of Policy 50 New Development and Flooding under the heading Category 1 – Medium to High Flood Risk by deleting "in place" and replacing with "complete and operational". 4. Amend the seventh criterion of Policy 50 New	Recommendation 1 inserts a new provision specific to land at the western edge of Invergowrie at Kingoodie. Although site-specific, this new provision is too general because it is not known where, when or how new development requiring new defences against coastal erosion might be implemented. The provisions are therefore screened out under criterion (f). However further assessment may be required at planning application stage. Recommendations 2, 3 and 4 have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
		Development and Flooding under the heading Category 1 – Medium to High Flood Risk by deleting "civil" and replacing with "essential".	
22 Policy 51 Water Environment and Drainage	Policy 51 (page 56-57) was screened out under criterion (a)	1. In Policy 51 Water Environment and Drainage, add the following note to the end of the policy: "Note: Further detailed guidance on the implementation of this policy is set out in the Flood Risk and Flood Risk Assessment Supplementary Guidance".	The reporter's recommendations have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.

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		2. In Policy 51A Water Environment, remove the following	
		text from the second paragraph:	
		"and any relevant associated Area Management Plans".	
		3. In Policy 51C Surface Water Drainage, add the following	
		text to the end of the first sentence:	
		"including relevant temporary measures at the	
		construction phase".	
23	Policy 52 (page 57) was screened	1. On pages 115 (Auchterarder), 122 (Balbeggie), 128	Recommendations 1, 2, 3 and 4 do not
Environmental	out under criterion (c)	(Bankfoot), 144 (Braco), 146 (Bridge of Earn and	alter the policy approach and will not
Protection and		Oudenarde), 150 (Burrelton and Woodside), 164 (Coupar	themselves lead to change. They have
Public Safety	Policy 54 (page 57) was screened	Angus), 175 (Cromwell Park and Pitcairngreen), 184	no HRA implications and would not
*	out under criterion (a)	(Dunkeld and Birnam), 197 (Gleneagles), 198 (Glenfarg),	change the original screening
		205 (Guildtown), 206 (gWest), 221 (Kinnaird), 224 (Kinross	determination.
	Policy 55 (page 57-58) was	and Milnathort), 232 (Kinrossie), 239 (Meigle), 301 (St	
	screened out under criterion (b)	David's), 302 (St Madoes and Glencarse), and 313	Recommendations 5, 6 and 7 simply
		(Wolfhill) add the following new sentence to each	introduce text and criteria to help with
	Policy 56 (page 58-59) was	respective settlement summary:	the understanding and implementation
	screened in for further	"The settlement lies partly within a HSE Pipeline	of the policy. They have no HRA
	assessment because there could	Consultation Zone. Development may therefore need to	implications and would not change the
	be real and identifiable	comply with Policy 52 Health and Safety Consultation	original screening determination.
	implications for one or more	Zones."	_
	European sites due to the	2. On page 182 (Drunzie) add the following new sentence	Recommendation 8 reframes the
	uncertainty over the nature and	to the settlement summary:	policy to make it potentially applicable
	effects of contaminants present	"The settlement lies wholly within a HSE Pipeline	to all proposals, not just those within
	at these locations, if any. The	Consultation Zone, so any development should comply	the two existing Air Quality
	Appropriate Assessment (page	with Policy 52 Health and Safety Consultation Zones."	Management Areas. Although there
	149-150) identified that there	3. On pages 243 (Methven) and 288 (Powmill) add the	are several Natura 2000 sites
	would be no adverse effect	following new sentence to the settlement summary:	completely or partially within the
	when the existing mitigation	"Part of the settlement boundary is close to a HSE Pipeline	scope of the policy, without knowing
	measures are applied. Further	Consultation Zone. Development on sites that adjoin the	the location of development and the

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assessment may be required at planning application stage.	settlement boundary may therefore need to comply with Policy 52 Health and Safety Consultation Zones." 4. On page 252 (Perth Area Strategy), immediately before the subheading "Retailing", add the following sentence: "Perth lies partly within a HSE Pipeline Consultation Zone. Development may therefore need to comply with Policy 52 Health and Safety Consultation Zones." 5. Delete the seventh paragraph of Policy 55 Air Quality Management Areas. 6. After the sixth paragraph of Policy 55, add the following new paragraphs: "An air quality impact assessment will usually be required where the Council considers that there may be a risk of an air quality impact upon human health. The main ways in which development may potentially impact upon air quality are as follows: (a) introducing new human exposure at a location with poor air quality (e.g. within an existing Air Quality Management Area or close to a busy road or junction); (b) the development may itself lead to a deterioration in local air quality (e.g. from increased vehicle emissions or flue emissions from heating or energy production plant), and (c) if the demolition/construction phase will have an impact upon the local environment (e.g. through fugitive dust and/or exhaust emissions from machinery and vehicles). The cumulative impact of other consented development and of these three criteria will be taken into account. In line with best practice, screening criteria will be used to	design solutions to be employed to comply with the policy, it is not possible to predict what the likely significant effects might be on any particular European site. Further HRA/EIA assessment may be required at planning application stage. The new provisions are therefore screened out under criterion (f). Recommendations 9, 10 and 11 introduce new provisions for unstable land as defined by the Coal Authority Development High Risk Areas. Given the limited geographic area to which these provisions are likely to apply, the new provisions are screened out under criterion (a).

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		identify where impacts are insignificant. Supplementary guidance will set out how air quality will be considered when determining planning applications." 7. In Policy 55, at the end of the policy wording, add the following text: "Notes: 1. Sensitive receptors include (but are not limited to) children and older people. Therefore, the location of a children's nursery, school, hospital, housing for older people, and residential properties in areas where elevated pollution levels are evident may not be appropriate. 2. Mitigation measures may include both on-site, through design changes, and off-site, through a hierarchy of transport measures that favour active travel, for example. Measures to avoid and reduce air quality impacts should be set out. Even where the effect is judged to be insignificant, good design and best practical measures should be employed to ensure that future problems are prevented or minimised." 8. Delete "Management Areas" from the title of Policy 55. 9. Add "and Unstable Land" to the end of the title of Policy 56. 10. Above the first sentence of the text of Policy 56, add the following new policy heading: "Policy 56A Contaminated Land" 11. Below the final sentence of the text of Policy 56, add the following new policy heading:	

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24 A Connected Place	A Connected Place Vision and Key Objectives (page 37-38) were screened out under criterion (a).	"Policy 56B Unstable Land" 12. Below the new policy heading recommended in modification 11 above, add the following new text: "Where development proposals involve building on unstable land, as defined by the Coal Authority Development High Risk Areas, the applicant should demonstrate that the site, and adjacent land, is or can be made safe and stable for the development to proceed." 1. At paragraph 2 page 89 the word "national" be replaced by "strategic". 2. At paragraph 3 page 89 the phrase "road network" be replaced by "transport network". 3. At the end of paragraph 5 on page 89 add "The	The reporter's recommendations have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
	A Connected Place Spatial Strategy (page 38) was screened out under criterion (d). Policy 57 and 58 (page 59-60) were both screened out under criterion (a). Policy 59 (page 60) was screened out under criterion (c)	Strathmore Cycle Network Steering Group is seeking to develop direct safe cycle/walking and horse riding routes between Blairgowrie, Coupar Angus and Alyth. The project is designed to encourage active transport in rural Perthshire" 4. At the end of Policy 58B(e) modify the wording to state "electric vehicles, hydrogen refuelling facilities and car clubs, including for residential development". 5. For Policy 58B (Cycling and Walking) replace the sentence by the wording "New developments should provide access from the development to off-road walking and cycling provision as part of the green network, and contribute to its enhancement and improved connectivity. Existing active travel routes will be safeguarded and incorporated into development. Cycle parking facilities should be provided".	

3. PROPOSALS SCREENING

3.1 The HRA identified four reasons why sites were screened out from the need for further assessment. These were identified in HRA table 5.4, an extract of which is replicated below for ease of reference.

Reason for Screening Determination

- (a) Proposals which make provision for change but which could have no conceivable effect on a European site, because there is no link or pathway between them and the qualifying interests, or any effect would be a positive effect, or would not otherwise undermine the conservation objectives for the site;
- (b) Proposals which make provision for change but could have no significant effect on a European site, because any potential effects would be trivial, or 'de minimis' or so restricted that they would not undermine the conservation objectives for the site;
- (c) Proposals which make provision for change but already have planning permission, therefore it is assumed that the proposal has already undergone screening for the need for an Appropriate Assessment, and where required it has been undertaken and appropriate mitigation measures developed.
- (d) Projects excluded from the appraisal because they are not proposals generated by this Plan.

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25 Perth Strategic Development Area	MU70 Perth West (page 80-81) was screened out under criteria (a) and (b).	1. On the maps for Perth at page 255 and Perth West at page 256 change the Auction Mart site to a separate housing allocation and make all other consequential amendment to the proposed plan.	Recommendation 1 acknowledges that planning permission has been granted for the first phases of MU70 on land known as the Former Auction Mart. Development has commenced and the reporter recommends this site be identified separately from the remainder of MU70. The Council has identified this land as H174. The reporter's recommendation would not change the original screening determination.
	MU345 Bertha Park, Perth (page 81-82) was screened in because it has potential for likely significant effects on the River Tay SAC as Bertha Loch associated outflows run into the River Tay. In addition, the River Almond is located immediately adjacent to the site's southern boundary. The Appropriate Assessment (page 156-157) concluded that there will be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application	2. On page 261 add a second bullet point to say: "Proposals should not result in adverse effects, either individually or in combination, on the integrity of the River Tay SAC. Applications should be supported by sufficient information to allow the council to conclude that there would be no such adverse effects".	Recommendation 2 incorporates the relevant mitigation measures set out in the Appropriate Assessment. No further action is therefore required.

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	stage.		
	MU73 Almond Valley, Perth (page 81) was screened in because it has potential for significant impacts on the qualifying interests of the River Tay SAC. The Appropriate Assessment (page 157-159) concluded that there will be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage.	3. On page 262 add a further bullet point as follows: "Archaeological investigation and report and plan detailing the sensitive design of development to protect and maintain the setting of the scheduled ancient monument of Huntingtower Cairn". On page 262 modify the developer requirements to read: "Provide detailed Flood Risk Assessment with each phase of development, to include establishment of flow paths and mitigation for appropriate uses."	Recommendation 3 has no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
	MU70 Perth West (page 80-81) was screened out under criteria (a) and (b).	 4. On page 264 at the end of the second bullet point add: "Active travel links to be segregated from roads and for cyclists and pedestrians where possible". 5. On page 265 modify the last bullet point to read: "Ensure that the infrastructure and access arrangements planned, include connection to the existing Tibbermore Road and the search for cemetery provision and access are informed by the findings of the detailed woodland survey in order to limit and avoid loss or fragmentation of ancient semi-natural woodland at Lamberkine and a requirement to compensate for loss by extending native planting to the north and south". 6. On page 265 add a further bullet point, as follows: "A detailed woodland survey at the appropriate time of year should be carried out by a suitably qualified 	Recommendations 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination. Recommendation 9 acknowledges that the otter survey is no longer required because the distance between the proposal and the Natura site means that there are unlikely to be HRA implications. The deletion of this developer requirement would not change the original screening determination.

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		consultant who has experience of woodland habitat surveys and include; a National Vegetation Classification (NVC) Survey and map with site community floristic descriptions, target notes and locally important site features, and an assessment of the role and importance of the Lamberkine woodland's connectivity to the wider woodland network." 7. On page 266 after A Battlefield Conservation Plan prior to detailed masterplan add "including proposals for interpretation". 8. On page 267 add a further bullet point: "Ground investigation to be carried out for the proposed cemetery site prior to planning permission in accordance with the Scottish Environment Protection Agency's Guidance on assessing the impacts of cemeteries on groundwater (LUPS GW32)". 9. Delete bullet point 6 which requires an otter survey.	
	MU168 North of Bertha Park, Perth (page 82 and 90) was screened in for potential for impact on River Tay SAC from a small watercourse. The Appropriate Assessment (page 157-158) concluded that there will be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage.	10. On page 272 (MU168) add "Lighting Impact Assessment" to the developer requirements. 11. On page 272 (MU168) modify the second bullet point to read: Tree survey required, retain existing trees along A9, with new native woodland planting toward the open rural landscape to the north, east and west, and in views from the A9, CTLR, "nearby Core paths and surrounding hills to minimise the visual impact in the landscape". 12. On page 272 (MU168) add: "Measures to protect and enhance biodiversity and to	Recommendations 10, 11 and 12 have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.

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		mitigate impacts on Bertha Park woodland."	
26 Perth City		No modifications	No HRA implications
27 Perth City	H1 Scott Street/Charles Street,	1. On page 269 (site H1), page 279 (site E38), page 280	Recommendation 2 incorporates the
Proposals	Perth (page 80) screened out	(site OP2 and site OP4) and page 281 (site OP9) add a	relevant mitigation measures set out in
	under criterion (a).	further bullet point:	the Appropriate Assessment. No
		"Area of archaeological potential, investigation	further action is therefore required.
	H319 Ruthvenfield, Perth (page	required".	
	81) was screened in because it is	2. On page 271 add two further bullet points to say:	Recommendation 5 inserts a new
	near to the River Almond and	"Construction method statement to be provided for all	provision relating only to the phasing
	therefore there may be impacts	aspects of the development to protect the watercourse.	of development. It seeks to link the
	on the qualifying interests of the	Methodology should provide measures to protect the	progress of development at the site to
	River Tay SAC.	watercourse from the impact of pollution and sediment	the delivery of the Cross Tay Link Road.
		so as to ensure no adverse effects on the River Tay	This provision has no HRA implications
	MU331 (page 82) screened out	Special Area of Conservation".	and would not change the original
	under criterion (a).	"Where the development of the site is within 30 metres	screening determination.
		of a watercourse an otter survey should be undertaken	
	MU336 (page 83) screened out	and a species protection plan provided, if required so as	Recommendations 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9 and
	under criterion (a).	to ensure no adverse effects on the River Tay Special	10 have no HRA implications and
		Area of Conservation".	would not change the original
	MU171 Perth Quarry (page 83)	3. On page 272 (site MU331) add a bullet point to say:	screening determination.
	screened out under criterion (a).	"Existing play facility to be retained or replaced by one of	
		comparable or improved benefit".	
	E165 Cherrybank, Perth (page	4. On page 272 (site MU331) add a further bullet point to	
	83) screened out under criterion	say:	
	(a).	"Tree survey to inform masterplan proposals".	
		5. On page 273 (MU336) delete the second bullet point	
	E340 Broxden, Perth (page 83)	regarding the conversion of the listed buildings and	
	screened out under criterion (a).	replace with the following:	
		"The Transport Assessment and Masterplan will inform	

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	E3 Arran Road, Perth (page 80) screened out under criterion (a). E38 Ruthvenfield Road, Perth (page 80) screened out under criterion (a)/ OP2 Thimblerow, Perth (page 84) screened out under criterion (a). OP4 Mill Street (south side), Perth (page 84) screened out under criterion (a). OP9 Bus Station, Leonard Street, Perth (page 84) screened out under criterion (a). OP175 City Hall, Perth (page 84) screened out under criterion (a).	the level of development which would be permitted on the site prior to the opening of the Cross Tay Link Road". 6. On page 277 modify the fifth bullet point to say: "A robust landscape framework maximising the potential to enhance biodiversity, protection of habitats, and retention and enhancement of woodland screening". 7. On page 278 (site E165) add a further bullet point to say: "Flood risk assessment". 8. On page 278 (site E340) add a further bullet point to say "Updated flood risk assessment". 9. On page 279 (site E3) add a further bullet point to say: "Landscape proposals to reduce the visual impact of development for any neighbouring residential properties". 10. On page 280 (site OP2) amend the fifth developer requirement to read: "Flood Risk Assessment and Drainage Impact Assessment required which will define the developable area of the site and which ensures that (taking account of Flood Protection Scheme) no built development takes place on the functional flood plain. Areas protected by the Flood Protection Scheme should be subject to appropriate mitigation measures: including water resistance, and water resilience measures and evacuation procedures". 11. On page 281 (site OP175) add a further bullet point	
		to say: "Development should be subject to flood mitigation measures. Topographic flood level of site to compare to	

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		flood levels and ensure this is on higher ground. Flood Action Plan to ensure during flood conditions nobody becomes surrounded by flood water". 12. On page 281 (site OP338) add a further bullet point to say: "Development should include a flood risk assessment and appropriate mitigation measures: including water resistance, and water resilience measures and	
28 Perth City New		evacuation procedures." No modifications	No HRA implications
Sites		No modifications	No fixa implications
29 Perth Core	H72 Kintillo Road, Bridge of Earn	1. On page 147 amend the last developer requirement to	None of the reporter's
Settlements	(page 71) was screened out under criterion (a)	read: "Drainage Impact Assessment will be required, including an assessment of any consequent impacts on adjacent	recommendations would change the original screening determinations for any of these sites.
	MU3 Perth Airport (page 84) was screened out under criterion (a)	properties at Dunbarney Avenue". 2. On page 282 in the Settlement Summary delete the sentence:	
	H29 Scone North (page 85) was screened out under criterion (a)	"A more holistic approach to Masterplanning the whole area is desirable in the long-term to ensure compatible uses" and replace it with "A Masterplanning exercise is	
	MU4 Angus Road, Scone (page 85-86) was screened out under criterion (c) because it already	required to ascertain the appropriate future for the Airport and adjoining land". 3. On page 283 add the following to the developer	
	has planning permission	requirements: "Flood risk assessment" and "Contaminated land survey	
	OP22 Glebe School, Scone (page 86) was screened out under criterion (a)	including investigation of potential radium 226". 4. On page 294 substitute the indicative drawing by the council's replacement diagram (CD244).	

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	H30-34 Stanley sites (page 86) were screened out under criterion (c) because they are the subject of an application for planning permission in principle	5. On page 295 (H29) add a further bullet point to the developer requirements: "Flood Risk Assessment required, and the results may reduce the amount of land available for development. Groundwater flooding will need to be considered as spring and dry valley are within the site boundary. The development of the site must not increase the risk of flooding down gradient and may require improvements to current drainage arrangements off site." 6. On page 295 (H29) add a further bullet point: "Consideration to be given to a buffer zone next to any LEPO ancient woodland". 7. On page 295 (H29) add a further bullet point: "Archaeological investigation in consultation with Perth and Kinross Heritage Trust". 8. On page 295 (MU4) add "A Flood Risk Assessment" to the developer requirements. 9. On page 296 (OP22) add: "Appropriate protection to be provided for the ancient Long Established Woodland of Plantation Origin next to the site during construction as well as any mature trees that are to be retained". 10. On page 307 (H30-34) add a further bullet point to say: "Retain ancient semi-natural woodland at allocation H31".	
30 Greater Perth	H17 Church Road, Burrelton /	1. On page 150 amend the settlement map by deleting	Recommendations 1 and 2 would have
North and East –	Woodside (page 71) was	the area shown as allocated for open space at the	no HRA implications and would not
Outwith Core	screened out under criterion (a)	northern side of Whitelea Road, Burrelton.	change the original screening

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*	Grange and Errol Airfield settlement boundary was changed from the Adopted LDP (2014) to exclude a large area of land to the south west of the airfield however that land has planning permission for a mixed use development (MU360) and so the change to the settlement boundary would have no HRA implications.	2. On page 151 add the following developer requirement: "Foul and surface water drainage assessment". 3. On page 201 amend the settlement boundary to include the area of land referred to as MU360. 4. On page 202 amend the developer requirement to say: Flood risk assessment "and drainage assessment". In addition, add "Area of archaeological potential requiring assessment".	determination. Recommendation 3 incorporates land that already has planning permission into the Grange and Errol Airfield settlement boundary. This land already has planning permission and is therefore screened out under criterion (c). However further assessment may be required at any subsequent planning application stage. Recommendation 4 would have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
31 Greater Perth South and West Settlements – Outwith Core	MU8 Newburgh Road (North), Abernethy (page 65) was screened out under criterion (a) Clathymore (page 98) was screened in because it is within the River Tay SAC catchment area and is served by a private treatment system, and there is potential for significant impacts on the Methven Moss SAC. The Screening Determination (page 98-99) recommended mitigation	1. On page 104, site MU8, add a new bullet point as follows "Evaluation of archaeological potential and mitigation will be required". Amend size of the site from 1.5 ha to "2.17 ha" and the indicative capacity from 12-19 houses to "39 houses and employment land". 2. On page 157, Settlement summary for Clathymore, after the last sentence, add: "Mitigation measures should be supplied to ensure no increase in nutrient loading and no adverse effects on Methven Moss Special Area of Conservation. 3. On page 181, site E9, add a new bullet point as follows: "Development must take account of ancient woodland in	Recommendation 1 would have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination. Recommendation 2 incorporates the relevant mitigation measures set out in the Appropriate Assessment. No further action is therefore required. Recommendations 3, 4, and 6 would have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening

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	measures to protect the Methven Moss SAC. H20 Auchterarder Road, Dunning (page 74) was screened out under criterion (a).	close proximity". 4. On page 188, site H20, modify the developer requirement to say: Drainage Impact Assessment, "including the effect of run-off for adjacent properties and road drainage". 5. On page 188, site H20: Amend the site area from 3.44 ha to "3.64 ha" and the capacity to "43-68 units". 6. On page 188, site H20, add a further bullet point as follows: "Tree and shrub planting to be provided along the western edge of the site to create a robust boundary".	Recommendation 5 extends a previously-allocated site to align it with an existing landscape feature. The extended site has capacity for 43-68 houses instead of the 41-63 that are already the subject of assessment. The extension will result in the development of more previously undeveloped land. However due to the scale of the extension to the site, which would be an additional two to five units, it is considered that any potential significant impacts are likely to be minimal. The site's extension is therefore screened out under criterion (b).
32 Greater Dundee Housing Market Area	E37 James Hutton Institute, Invergowrie (page 75-76) was screened out under criterion (b) in terms of the Firth of Tay and Eden Estuary SAC; and criterion (a) in terms of the Firth of Tay and Eden Estuary. However in cases where the plan does not provide sufficient detail to allow a full assessment, the HRA highlights at which point further	 On page 212, add the following bullet points and associated text to the site-specific developer requirements: Development proposals should not result in adverse effects, either individually or in combination, on the integrity of a European designated site(s). Provide new native woodland landscape edge at the western boundary. Evaluation of archaeological potential and mitigation on site will be required and protection of the setting of nearby Schedule Monument should be ensured. 	The reporter's recommendation incorporates the relevant mitigation measures set out in the Appropriate Assessment. No further action is therefore required.

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	assessment should take place. The Appropriate Assessment (page 160-161) concluded that there will be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage.		
33 Highland Area – Aberfeldy	H36 Borlick, Aberfeldy (page 65) was screened out under criterion (a)	1. Add the following text at the end of the sixth bullet point in site H36 Borlick: ", or other suitable secondary route."	No HRA implications, the reporter's recommendation would not change the original screening determination.
34 Highland Area – Dunkeld and Birnam	E12 - E13 Tullymilly, Dunkeld and Birnam (page 74) were screened out under criterion (a)	1. Within the Site Specific Developer Requirements section of sites E12-13: Tullymilly on page 186 add "and ancient woodland" to the end of the fourth bullet point.	No HRA implications, the reporter's recommendation would not change the original screening determination.
35 Highland Area – Pitlochry	H38 Middleton of Fonab, Pitlochry (page 85) was screened out under criterion (a)	1. Insert the following text to the second sentence of the second paragraph of the Pitlochry Settlement Summary on page 284, between "town," and "and the A9": "the ancient woodlands adjoining or close to the settlement boundary" 2. Amend the fourth bullet point of the Site Specific Developer Requirements for site H38 Middleton of Fonab on page 286 by adding "pedestrian and cycle" between "with" and "connections".	No HRA implications, the reporter's recommendations would not change the original screening determination.
36 Highland Area – Settlements with Proposals	H40 Ballinluig North (page 69) was screened in because there is potential for significant impacts on the qualifying interests of the River Tay SAC. There are watercourses flowing through	Within the Site Specific Developer Requirements section of site H40 Ballinluig on page 125 add the following text as an additional bullet point: "Evaluation of archaeological potential and mitigation may be required." Within the Site Specific Developer Requirements	Recommendations 1 and 2 would have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination. Recommendation 3 incorporates the

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	the southern parts of the site into the River Tummel (River Tay SAC). The Appropriate Assessment (page 155-156) concluded that there will be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage.	section of Site H40 Ballinluig on page 125 add the following text at the end of final bullet point: "and mitigation of any negative edge effects on the adjacent ancient woodland." 3. Within the Site Specific Developer Requirements section of site H40 Ballinluig on page 125 add the following text to the end of bullet points 10 and 11: "so as to ensure no adverse effects on the River Tay SAC."	relevant mitigation measures set out in the Appropriate Assessment. No further action is therefore required.
37 Highland Area – Settlements without Proposals	Fearnan (page 102) was screened in because there is potential for significant impacts on the qualifying interests of the River Tay SAC. The settlement adjoins Loch Tay (River Tay SAC). Kinloch Rannoch (page 108) was screened in because there is potential for significant impacts on the qualifying interests of the River Tay SAC. The settlement adjoins Loch Rannoch and the River Tummell (both River Tay SAC).	 Within the Settlement Summary for Fearnan (page 191) add the following text as a new sentence at the end of the paragraph: "Fearnan lies within the River Tay Catchment Area; Policy 45 sets out the relevant criteria for development in this area." Within the Settlement Summary for Kinloch Rannoch (page 219) add the following text as a new sentence at the end of the paragraph:	The reporter's recommendations incorporate the relevant mitigation measures set out in the Appropriate Assessment. No further action is therefore required.
38 Kinross-shire Area – Kinross/Milnathort	E18 Station Road South, Kinross and Milnathort (page 77-78) was screened in because there is potential for significant impacts	Add the following phrase to the end of the settlement summaries for Balado, Blairingone, Powmill and Rumbling Bridge: "Any proposals for development within the village	Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 would have no HRA implications. Recommendation 6 incorporates the

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	on the qualifying interests of Loch Leven SPA. The South Queich River, which flows directly into the Loch, is nearby. The Appropriate Assessment (page 159-160) concluded that there will be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage.	requiring traffic mitigation should complement the mitigation identified in the Route Action Plan for the A977." 2. Add the following phrase to the end of the settlement summary for Crook of Devon and Drum: "Any proposals for development within the village requiring traffic mitigation should complement the mitigation identified in the Route Action Plan for the A977 and B9097." 3. On page 89, after the third paragraph, insert the following new paragraph: "The local roads of the area are a dynamic network affected by changes in travel patterns and major developments. From time to time new pressures arise such as the opening of the Clackmannanshire Bridge at Kincardine and the major development proposed at Westfield in Fife. Although both of these developments are outwith the Council area, like developments within Perth & Kinross, they can necessitate the creation of route action plans. Most route action plans can be developed within the road boundary and do not feature in the LDP. Where proposals with land use implications outwith the road boundary are identified they may need to feature in a future LDP. Where development proposals arise adjacent to, or impacting upon, a road which is the subject of a route action plan, cognisance should be taken of these plans." 4. On page 224, delete the first bullet point and its associated text.	relevant mitigation measures set out in the Appropriate Assessment. No further action is therefore required.

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		 5. On page 226, delete the map detail which depicts the route of potential junction upgrade work and delete reference to 'Potential Junction Upgrade' in the map key. 6. On page 230, add the following additional two bullet pointed paragraphs to the site-specific developer requirements for allocation E18 Station Road South: "The SUDS for development proposals should include sufficient attenuation to protect those watercourses which flow into Loch Leven from erosion during periods of heavy rainfall; 	
39 Kinross-shire Area - Settlements with Proposals	E35 Balado Bridge, Balado (page 68) was screened out under criterion (c) because the site currently has planning permission for conversion to office use. MU74 Blairingone (page 70) was screened out under criterion (a). MU266 Crook of Devon (page 73) was screened in because it is within the Loch Leven Catchment Area and eventually drains into Loch Leven SPA. The	 Flood Risk Assessment." 1. On page 121, add the following bullet points and associated text to the site-specific developer requirements for site allocation E35 Balado Bridge: consideration of potential land contamination issues, including an assessment of risk from radioactivity. Flood Risk Assessment. On page 143, add the following bullet point and associated text to the site-specific developer requirements for site allocation MU74 Blairingone: investigation of any contaminated land on the site together with a programme of appropriate remediation works. On the settlement map on page 177, add a green ('open space') fill to the recognised amenity land sited between West Crook Way and St Serf's Road. 	Recommendations 1, 2 and 3 would have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination. Recommendations 4, 5, 6 and 7 recommend the deletion of proposal MU266 from the plan however it is considered that this would not have any HRA implications. Recommendations 8 and 9 would have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
	Appropriate Assessment (page 159-160) concluded that there	4. On the settlement map on page 177, delete allocation MU266.	Recommendations 10 and 11 modify

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	will be no adverse effect when the existing mitigation measures are applied. Further assessment may be required at planning application stage. OP19 Ochil Hills Hospital (page 79) was screened out under criterion (c) because the site currently has planning permission for residential development. H53 Gartwhinzean, Powmill (page 85) was screened out under criterion (a). E24 Rumbling Bridge (page 85) was screened out under	 5. On the settlement map on page 177, delete reference to "Mixed Use Proposal" in the key. 6. On the settlement map on page 177, alter the settlement boundary to exclude deleted allocation MU266. 7. Delete all content on page 178. 8. On page 247, alter the settlement boundary for Op19 to accord with that shown by the purple pecked line on drawing MD082. 9. On page 247, alter the site boundary to accord with that shown on drawing MD081. 10. On page 248, delete the fourth and fifth bullet points and their associated text. 11. On page 248, add the following bullet point and associated text to the site-specific developer requirements for site allocation Op19 Ochil Hills Hospital: Provision of a suitable drainage scheme which provides required mitigation. 12. On page 289 replace the table heading "Number" 	the site specific developer requirements to provide a more generic requirement to comply with Policy 44 instead of the original requirements, which were to provide a public drainage system with capacity to accommodate surrounding development, and to either divert effluent outwith the catchment or provide mitigation measures. The reporter's recommendations would not change the original screening determination. Recommendations 12 and 13 insert a new provision relating to the phasing of development. The site's capacity is unchanged. This provision therefore would not change the original
	criterion (a). H54 Scotlandwell (page 86) was screened out under criterion (a).	 with "Capacity Range" 13. On page 289, replace "46-73 homes" with "46-73 (limited to 30 during the lifetime of the Plan)". 14. On page 289, add the following bullet point and associated text to the site-specific developer requirements for H53 Gartwhinzean: investigation of any contaminated land on the site together with a programme of appropriate remediation works. 15. On the settlement map on page 291, delete the 	screening determination. Recommendation 14 would have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination. Recommendations 15, 16 and 17 would have no HRA implications and would not change the original

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		 'indicative landscaping' fill. 16. On the settlement map on page 291 delete reference to 'Indicative Landscaping' in the key. 17. On page 292, delete the third bullet point and associated text. 18. On page 298, add the following bullet point and associated text to the site-specific developer requirements for site allocation H54 Scotlandwell: an appropriate peat survey and management plan to minimise impact and implement suitable mitigation measures. 	screening determination. Recommendation 18 would have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination.
40 Kinross-shire Area – Settlements Without Proposals		No modifications	No HRA implications
41 Strathearn Area – Auchterarder	H228 North West Kirkton, Auchterarder (page 67-68) was screened out under criterion (a)	 Amend the site specific developer requirements associated with site H228 North West Kirkton on page 117 to add an additional requirement as follows: "Flood Risk Assessment." Amend the settlement boundary at Cloan Drive to reflect that contained within the approved local development plan. Delete the second sentence of the seventh paragraph within the Auchterarder settlement summary on page 114. 	No HRA implications, the reporter's recommendations would not change the original screening determination.
42 Strathearn Area – Crieff	E26 Bridgend, Crieff (page 72) was screened out under criterion (a).	1. Amend the site specific developer requirements associated with site E26 Bridgend on page 167 to add an additional requirement as follows: "Flood risk assessment"	No HRA implications, the reporter's recommendations would not change the original screening determination.

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	MU7 Broich Road, Crieff (page 72) was screened out under criterion (a).	2. Amend the site specific developer requirements associated with site MU7 Broich Road on page 171 to add an additional requirement as follows: "Flood risk assessment"	
43 Strathearn Area – Settlements with Proposals	H58 Cowden Road, Comrie (page 71) was screened out under criterion (a)	 Within the Site Specific Developer Requirements section of site H58 Cowden Road on page 160 amend the fourth bullet point by adding ", which includes ancient woodland," following the text "woodland to the east". Within the Site Specific Developer Requirements section of site H58 Cowden Road on page 160, add an additional bullet point to read: "Evaluation of archaeological potential and mitigation will be required." 	No HRA implications, the reporter's recommendations would not change the original screening determination.
44 Strathearn Area – Settlements without Proposals	gWest (page 106) was screened in because there is potential for significant impacts on the qualifying interests of the South Tayside Goose Roosts SPA as a result of development.	1. Amend the gWest Settlement Summary on page 206 to include the following additional text: "Proposals should not result in adverse effects, either individually or in combination, on the integrity of the South Tayside Goose Roosts SPA. Applications should be supported by sufficient information to allow the Council to conclude that there would be no such adverse effects."	The reporter's recommendations incorporate the relevant mitigation measures set out in the Appropriate Assessment. No further action is therefore required.
45 Strathmore and the Glens Area – Alyth & New Alyth	H60 Albert Street and St Ninian's Road, Alyth (page 66) was screened out under criterion (c) because the site currently has planning permission for residential development. H61 New Alyth (page 66) was	 Add the following bullet to the site specific developer requirements for site 60 (Albert Street and St Ninian's Road): Archaeological investigation may be required. Amend the size and capacity range of site H61 (New Alyth) to read "3.1 ha" and "up to 33" respectively. 	Recommendation 1 would have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination. Recommendation 2 extends the allocated site to align it with an existing farm track. The extended site has

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	screened out under criterion (a).		capacity for nine additional houses over and above the 24 that are already the subject of assessment. The extension will result in the development of more previously undeveloped land. However due to the scale of the extension to the site, it is considered that any potential significant impacts are likely to be minimal. The site's extension is therefore screened out under criterion (b).
46 Strathmore and	MU330 Blairgowrie Eastern	1. Add the following bullet to the site specific developer	Recommendation 2 amends the
the Glens Area –	Expansion (page 69) was	requirements for site MU330 (Blairgowrie Eastern	indicative site drawing to highlight the
Blairgowrie and	screened out under criterion (a).	Expansion):	existing tree line at the site's boundary,
Rattray		A traffic management plan to minimise the impact of	the tree line along Parkhead Road, and
	MU5 Western Blairgowrie (page	construction traffic on the area, including for the use	the position of the ancient woodland.
	69) was screened out under	of David Farquharson Road as a secondary access	This would have no HRA implications
	criterion (a).	route, both during and after construction. This should be prepared and agreed in conjunction with	and would not change the original screening determination.
	H341 Westfields of Rattray (page	the Roads Authority prior to construction	Screening determination.
	71) was screened out under	commencing.	Recommendations 1, 3 and 4 would
	criterion (a).	2. Amend the indicative site drawing for site MU330	have no HRA implications and would
	, ,	(Blairgowrie Eastern Expansion) as set out in CD 207	not change the original screening
	H258 Golf Course Road,	except for the line of the link road which should remain	determination.
	Blairgowrie (page 69) was	as shown in the proposed plan.	
	screened out under criterion (a).	3. Amend the 12th bullet of the site specific developer	Recommendation 5 amends the
		requirements for site MU330 (Blairgowrie Eastern	indicative site drawing simply to
		Expansion) to read:	indicate the 90 metre contour line. This

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		 Undertake a detailed survey to establish the ecological value of the existing ancient woodland (AWI LEPO) within the site. Retain and protect the woodland in line with the Scottish Government's Policy on Control of Woodland Removal and with the recommendations of the survey. Provide native tree planting along the western edge of the site to link with this wood and retain an adequate buffer between the woodland and new development. Other woodland areas on site should also be retained for screening and biodiversity purposes. Amend the penultimate bullet of the site specific developer requirements for site MU330 (Blairgowrie Eastern Expansion) to read: Retention of part of the site for cemetery provision. Amend the indicative site drawing for site MU5 (Western Blairgowrie) to include reference to the 90 metre contour line, as shown in the council's response to informal further information request 02. Add the following bullet to the site specific developer requirements for site H341 (Westfields of Rattray): A Transport Statement dealing with the impact of the development on the nearby junction of Hatton Road and Balmoral Road and footpath links to the rest of Rattray. Amend the second bullet of the site specific developer requirements for site H341 (Westfields of Rattray) to read: A Flood Risk Assessment will be required. 	would have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination. Recommendations 6 and 7 would have no HRA implications and would not change the original screening determination. Recommendation 8 recommends the deletion of proposal H256 from the plan however it is considered that this would not have any HRA implications.

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r Angus West (page reened out under	8. Delete site H258 (Golf Course Road) and allocate as open space.1. Add the following bullet to the site specific developer requirements for site 32 (Coupar Angus West):	No HRA implications, the reporter's recommendations would not change
a). f Scotland Farmers ar Angus (page 71) ned out under a).	 Flood Risk Assessment Add the following bullet to the site specific developer requirements for site 33 (East of Scotland Farmers Limited): Flood Risk Assessment 	the original screening determination.
r Road, Meigle (page reened in because stential for significant in the qualifying of the River Tay SAC ne Meigle Burn flows morth west boundary into the River Isla SAC). The appropriate of (page 157-159) that there will be no fect when the existing measures are applied. sessment may be t planning application	 Add the following bullet to the site specific developer requirements for site H68 (Ardler Road): Drainage Impact Assessment Add the following bullets to the site specific developer requirements for site H69 (Forfar Road): A Transport Statement Archaeological investigation may be required 	No HRA implications, the reporter's recommendations would not change the original screening determination.
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49 Strathmore and the Glens Area - Settlements without proposals	criterion (a). Meikleour (page 111) was screened out under criterion (d). Although the settlement is located within the River Tay SAC Catchment Area, it is served by a public septic tank.	Amend the settlement boundary of Meikleour, on page 242 of the proposed plan, as shown on map MD018.	The reporter's recommendation extends the settlement boundary to align it with an existing burn. However, the extension is a small area and has a high probability of flooding. This means that the extension is unlikely to result in increased development of previously undeveloped land. It is considered that any potential significant impacts are likely to be minimal. The site's extension would not change the
50 Whole Plan Issues		1. On page 8, under the sub-heading "Habitats Regulation Appraisal (HRA)", replace "a significant adverse effect on the conservation objectives and qualifying features" with "adverse effects on site integrity" 2. On page 108, add the following text to the end of the settlement summary: "A masterplan for development of the Glenisla Golf Course, located to the east of Alyth, has been agreed."	original screening determination. Recommendation 1 reflects the wording of section 48(5) of the Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c) Regulations 1994 and no further action is therefore required. Recommendation 2 simply clarifies the fact that planning permission for a masterplan and the first phase of development has been granted during the review of the LDP and is not considered to have any HRA implications.
		3. On the following pages, alter the key to the indicative drawings to explain what the lightest green tone denotes: 102 (Aberfeldy); 110 (Alyth and New Alyth); 111 (Alyth	Recommendations 3, 4 and 5 seek to change the indicative site drawings to make the key clearer to understand; and to clarify the intended use of the

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		and New Alyth); 118 (Auchterarder); 119 (Auchterarder); 123 (Balbeggie); 136 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 137 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 138 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 139 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 140 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 141 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 147 (Bridge of Earn and Oudenarde); 148 (Bridge of Earn and Oudenarde); 149 (Bridge of Earn and Oudenarde); 149 (Bridge of Earn and Oudenarde); 166 (Coupar Angus); 171 (Crieff); 172 (Crieff); 188 (Dunning); 210 (Inchture); 227 (Kinross and Milnathort); 228 (Kinross and Milnathort); 237 (Luncarty); 241 (Meigle); 261 (Perth Area Strategy); 263 (Perth Area Strategy); 268 (Perth Area Strategy); 277 (Perth Area Strategy); 286 (Pitlochry); 287 (Pitlochry); 294 (Scone); 296 (Scone); 304 (Stanley); 305 (Stanley), and 306 (Stanley). 4. Replace "Main Routes" with "Vehicle/Pedestrian Access" on the key for the indicative site drawings on pages: 102 (Aberfeldy); 110 (Alyth and New Alyth); 111 (Alyth and New Alyth); 118 (Auchterarder); 119 (Auchterarder); 123 (Balbeggie); 136 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 137 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 138 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 139 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 140 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 147 (Bridge of Earn and Oudenarde); 148 (Bridge of Earn and Oudenarde); 166 (Coupar Angus); 171 (Crieff); 172 (Crieff); 188 (Dunning); 210 (Inchture); 227 (Kinross and Milnathort); 228 (Kinross and Milnathort); 237 (Luncarty); 241 (Meigle); 261 (Perth Area Strategy); 263 (Perth Area Strategy); 268	indicative routes marked on the drawings. These recommendations are not considered to have any HRA implications.

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		(Perth Area Strategy); 271 (Perth Area Strategy); 277 (Perth Area Strategy); 286 (Pitlochry); 287 (Pitlochry); 294 (Scone); 296 (Scone); 304 (Stanley); 305 (Stanley), and 306 (Stanley). 5. Replace "Core Routes/Pedestrian Links" with "Pedestrian Access/Active Travel Routes" on the key for the indicative site drawings on pages: 102 (Aberfeldy); 110 (Alyth and New Alyth); 111 (Alyth and New Alyth); 118 (Auchterarder); 119 (Auchterarder); 123 (Balbeggie); 136 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 137 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 138 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 140 (Blairgowrie/Rattray); 147 (Bridge of Earn and Oudenarde); 149 (Bridge of Earn and Oudenarde); 148 (Bridge of Earn and Oudenarde); 149 (Bridge of Earn and Oudenarde); 210 (Inchture); 227 (Kinross and Milnathort); 228 (Kinross and Milnathort); 237 (Luncarty); 241 (Meigle); 261 (Perth Area Strategy); 263 (Perth Area Strategy); 286 (Pitlochry); 287 (Pitlochry); 294 (Scone); 296 (Scone); 304 (Stanley); 305 (Stanley), and 306 (Stanley).	
		6. In the glossary entry for "Social and Community Facilities", add ", Cultural" between "Social" and "and".	Recommendation 6 aims to correct an inconsistency between the plan's terminology and that used in higher level plans. The revised wording matches that used in TAYplan and reflects the emphasis in Scottish Planning Policy and Scotland's Third

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			National Planning Framework on culture. This recommendation is not considered to have any HRA implications.
		7. Add the following entries to the glossary (to be inserted within the existing alphabetical order and formatting): "Natura Site A Special Area of Conservation or a Special Protection Area." "Ramsar Site A wetlands area designated under the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands of International Importance." "Special Area of Conservation (SAC) A strictly protected site designated under the European Council Habitats Directive (Directive 92/43/EEC). A SAC is classified for habitats and species (excluding birds) which are considered to be most in need of conservation at a European level and are listed in Annexes of the Directive." "Special Protection Area (SPA) A strictly protected site designated under the provisions of Article 4 of the European Council Birds Directive (Directive 2009/147/EC). A SPA is classified for rare and vulnerable birds, as listed at Annex I of the Directive, and for regularly occurring migratory bird species." "Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) An area of land or water (to the seaward limits of local authority areas) that Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH) considers to best represent our natural heritage — its diversity of plants,	Recommendation 7 imports definitions of European designated sites and National Designations to the glossary to aid clarity. This recommendation is not considered to have any HRA implications.

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		animals and habitats, rocks and landforms, or a combination of such natural features. They are the essential building blocks of Scotland's protected areas for nature conservation. Many are also designated as Natura sites. A SSSI is designated by SNH under the provisions of the Nature Conservation (Scotland) Act 2004."	

4. SUMMARY OF UPDATED SCREENING EXERCISE

- 4.1 For most of the Reporter's recommendations there are no implications for the HRA because they either confirm the mitigation for the Natura sites proposed through the HRA process or because, for example, they propose changes to phasing of delivery of certain proposals that do not alter the overall development.
- 4.2 A handful of recommendations introduce new material to the Plan, which has not previously been fully assessed and it therefore considered necessary to screen any new or significantly amended policies and proposals. These are: amended Policy 57 Air Quality; the new Policies 31 Other Historic Environment Assets, Policy 32 Embedding Low and Zero Carbon Generating Technology in New Development, Policy 58B Unstable Land; and new provisions affecting the development potential of land west of Invergowrie, an extension to the Grange and Errol settlement boundary, and a small extension to Proposal H61 New Alyth.
- 4.3 The tables below provide the results of the updated screening exercise and a brief reason for the determination reached is also provided.

Full Screening determination for new policies

Relevant Aspect of	Screened	Reason for Screening Determination and Natura 2000 site likely
the Plan	In/Out	to be affected
The Historic Environme	ent	
New Policy 31 Other Historic Environment Assets	Out	Screening Determination (b) Intended to protect the natural environment, including biodiversity, or to conserve or enhance the natural, built of historic environment, where enhancement measures will not be likely to have any negative effect on a European site. Justification Although this is a new policy, its wording has been previously assessed because it has been taken directly from policy 26B, which itself has already been assessed and screened out. It is simply being given a separate policy number of its own.
Energy, Heat & Electric	city	
New Policy 32 Embedding Low and Zero Carbon Generating Technology in New Development	Out	Screening Determination (b) Intended to protect the natural environment, including biodiversity, or to conserve or enhance the natural, built of historic environment, where enhancement measures will not be likely to have any negative effect on a European site. Justification These new provisions are intended to give rise to positive environmental effects, in particular the requirement for low carbon and zero carbon generating technologies as part of new developments will have positive effects on climatic factors; and conventional carbon-based energy systems will be replaced by low and zero carbon generating technologies which will have positive effects on air quality – both of these will have positive indirect effects on the natural environment.
Building Resilience		
Policy 57 Air Quality	Out	Screening Determination (f) Effects on any particular European site cannot be identified, because the policy is too general. Justification Although there are a number of Natura 2000 sites completely or partially within the scope of the policy, without knowing the location of development and the design solutions to be employed to improve air quality and comply with the policy, it is not possible to predict what the likely effects might be on any particular European site. Further HRA/EIA assessment may be required at planning application stage.
New Policy 58B Unstable Land	Out	Screening Determination (a) General policy statements/criteria based policies which set out the Council's aspirations for a certain issue Justification Given the limited geographic area to which this policy is likely to apply, there are unlikely to be any HRA implications.

Full screening determinations for new proposals

Relevant Aspect of the Plan	Screened In/Out	Reason for Screening Determination and Natura 2000 site likely to be affected
Invergowrie settlement statement (Issue 21 Policy 50 New Development and Flooding)	Out	Screening Determination – Firth of Tay and Eden Estuary SAC; Firth of Tay and Eden Estuary SPA (f) Policies or proposals for which effects on any particular European site cannot be identified because the policy is too general. Justification Although site-specific, this new provision is too general because it is not known where, when or how new development requiring new defences against coastal erosion might be implemented.
Grange and Errol Airfield settlement boundary (Issue 30 Greater Perth North and East – Outwith Core)	Out	Screening Determination – Firth of Tay and Eden Estuary SAC; Firth of Tay and Eden Estuary SPA (c) Proposals which make provision for change but already have planning permission. Justification Grange and Errol Airfield settlement boundary now includes a large area of land to the south west of the airfield however that land has planning permission for a mixed use development (MU360) and so the change to the settlement boundary would have no HRA implications.
H20 Auchterarder Road, Dunning	Out	Screening Determination (b) Proposals which make provision for change but could have no significant effect on a European site because any potential effects would be trivial, or 'de minimis' or so restricted that they would not undermine the conservation objectives for the site. Justification The extension to this site has capacity for between two and five additional houses over and above the 43-68 that are already the subject of assessment. The extension will result in the development of more previously undeveloped land. However due to the scale of the extension to the site, it is considered that any potential significant impacts are likely to be minimal.
H61 New Alyth (Issue 45 Strathmore and the Glens Area –Alyth & New Alyth)	Out	Screening Determination (b) Proposals which make provision for change but could have no significant effect on a European site because any potential effects would be trivial, or 'de minimis' or so restricted that they would not undermine the conservation objectives for the site. Justification The extension to this site has capacity for nine additional houses over and above the 24 that are already the subject of assessment. The extension will result in the development of more previously undeveloped land. However due to the scale of the extension to the site, it is considered that any potential significant impacts are likely to be minimal.

5. Conclusion

- 5.1 All Natura 2000 sites potentially affected by the Reporter's recommendations have been identified and have been screened to ascertain the potential effects on the integrity of these European sites that may occur as a result of their implementation.
- Those recommendations that have been identified as having no effects, or are unlikely to have a significant effect alone, on the integrity of Natura sites have been highlighted in sections 2, 3 and 4 and the reasons for their screening determination provided.
- 5.3 All the reporter's recommendations have eventually been screened out, leading to no requirement for 'in combination' assessment, assessment for 'straightforward mitigation', or for recommendations to be carried forward to Appropriate Assessment stage.
- As a result, Perth & Kinross Council concludes that, when the mitigation set out in this HRA is incorporated into the Plan, the Perth & Kinross LDP will either have no likely significant effects on Natura 2000 sites, either individually or in combination with other plans and projects, or will not adversely affect the integrity of European designated sites, either individually or in combination with other plans and projects.