

Broadstairs and St. Peter's Town Council Town Clerk's Office Pierremont Hall Broadstairs Kent CT10 1JX

Date 13th November 2017

Re: Broadstairs and St. Peter's Neighbourhood Plan Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitats Regulations Assessment

Dear Mrs Dunn

Following the submission of the Broadstairs and St. Peter's Neighbourhood Plan Issues and Options Report, the Local Authority has screened the expected contents of the Neighbourhood Plan to determine whether or not a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is required in accordance with the European Directive 2001/42/EC and associated Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004; or a Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) in accordance with the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations (2010).

The attached Strategic Environmental Assessment and Habitats Regulations Assessment Screening Report detail the assessment undertaken by Thanet District Council, the Local Planning Authority, on the Broadstairs and St. Peter's Neighbourhood Plan Issues and Options document. It concludes that, in the opinion of the Local Planning Authority, the plan, in its current form is unlikely to have significant environmental effects and therefore a Strategic Environmental Assessment will not be required and the plan will not have an adverse effect on the integrity of internationally designated sites either on its own or in combination with other plans and therefore does not require a Habitats Regulation Assessment.

The Screening Report was sent to the relevant Statutory Consultees (Natural England, Environment Agency and English Heritage) for consideration and comments were received from Natural England and the Environment Agency. These are enclosed, along with further information to assist in the development of the plan.

Please be advised that if the content of the Neighbourhood Plan is significantly changed there may be the need for a further screening exercise to be undertaken on any modified version of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Yours Sincerely

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