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Appleton Roebuck Parish Council

Dear Les/Polly Rayment

RE: strategic environmental assessment

Thank you for working with and consulting with Selby District Council on the production of the Appleton Roebuck Neighbourhood Plan. In line with the regulations, where a neighbourhood plan is likely to have significant environmental effects, it may require a strategic environmental assessment. Draft neighbourhood plan proposals should be assessed to determine whether the plan is likely to have significant environmental effects. This process is commonly referred to as a "screening" assessment and the requirements are set out in regulation 9 of the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004.

Selby District Council has assessed the draft neighbourhood plan and under regulation 9 of the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004, with the result being unlikely to have any significant environmental effects. The relevant environmental assessment bodies as set out in Regulation 4 of the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004 have also been consulted, with the result that no significant environmental impacts are expected.

Therefore it is determined that the plan is unlikely to have any significant environmental effects and, accordingly, does not require a strategic environmental assessment. When you are ready to submit the final version of the plan, the Council will submit a report outlining any documents, background information or statements which will assist at the Examination in Public. Included in this will be a statement again outlining the reasons for not requiring a strategic environmental assessment.

In order for you to meet the Basic Conditions Statement this letter confirms that Selby District Council has screened the plan and is satisfied a strategic environmental assessment is not required.

Thank you for working with the Council during this stage.

Yours sincerely

Tom Ridley
Policy Officer