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Dear Mr Cardnell

Stinsford Neighbourhood Plan

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated 13 October 2021 which was received by Natural England on 13 October 2021.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

Strategic Environmental Assessment / Habitats Regulations Assessment

In the same way that we responded to the Regulation 14 consultation, we concur with the conclusion of the SEA/HRA Screening Report that the full SEA and HRA AA process is not necessary to support the production of the Stinsford Neighbourhood Plan.

Neighbourhood Plan

We welcome the revisions made to paragraphs 3.5 and 3.6 as a result of our comments at Regulation 14 stage in relation to international habitat sites.

Policy SNP1 – we continue to support this policy which seeks to protect and strengthen your local wildlife and habitats and welcome the minor revision made as a result of our comments at Regulation 14 stage to recognise the internationally important habitat sites.

Table 7 – Sustainability checklist – we continue to welcome reference to the enhancement of biodiversity through the use of sustainable drainage schemes such as swales, ponds and reed beds.

For any queries relating to the specific advice in this letter only please contact me on [REDACTED].
For any new consultations, or to provide further information on this consultation please send your correspondences to [REDACTED].

Yours sincerely

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