Ms Nicola Laszlo Our ref: WX/2006/000033/OR-

North Dorset District Council 01/IS3-L01

Nordon Salisbury Road Your ref: Bourton NP

Blandford Forum

Dorset Date: 07 April 2017

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Dear Ms Laszlo

Bourton Neighbourhood Plan - Submission document

Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency on the above mentioned document. We have the following advice and the form attached.

We can confirm that we have been consulted on the preparation of this document and the associated Strategic Environmental Assessment process. We can offer the following advice.

We can confirm that we have no objections or concerns with the sites and policies in the document and we are satisfied that they accord with the principles of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and your Local Plan in regards to flooding and environmental impacts.

Flood Risk

We are satisfied that the proposed sites for development are suitably located outside of the flood map for planning therefore pass the NPPF flood risk Sequential Test. We have highlighted in early consultations that they may also wish to consider information in your Authority's Strategic Flood Risk Assessment and the flood map for surface water flooding to understand if there are other risks that may affect the proposed sites.

Biodiversity

We support that the plan includes policies to maintain and enhance the local biodiversity.

Please contact me if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

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