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From: Andy Matthews [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 August 2019 11:57
To: Trevor Warrick
Subject: Re: Portland Neighbourhood Plan

Dear Mr Warrick

Thank you for your email of Fri 9th August setting out the arrangements the Local Planning Authority will adopt to include the additional request by Natural England concerning revised wording to Policy E0 in the submitted plan. I confirm these arrangements and policy wording are acceptable to register these requests and changes within the Regulation 16 Consultation.

On Fri, Aug 9, 2019 at 2:35 PM Trevor Warrick [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Mr Matthews

Thank you very much for submitting to us the proposed neighbourhood plan for Portland. We are in the process of putting in place the arrangements to publicise the neighbourhood plan for a period of at least 6 weeks

As you are aware, subsequent to your submission of the proposed neighbourhood plan, Natural England responded to us with a further comment on the Habitats Regulations Assessment (including Appropriate Assessment). As a result we produced an addendum to the HRA, which I have attached.

The recommendations are the same that had been made previously with one exception. I am aware that you have included an overarching policy to protect European sites in the submitted neighbourhood plan (Policy Port/EN0), but Natural England is now recommending a different form of wording.

As currently drafted Policy Port/EN0 says: *In accordance with Local Plan Policy ENV2, all internationally designated wildlife sites, will be safeguarded from development that could adversely affect them, unless there are reasons of overriding public interest why the development should proceed and there is no alternative acceptable solution.*

The recommended wording in the HRA addendum, to replace the current wording is: *Proposals that will adversely affect the integrity of European sites will not be supported. Any development brought forward regarding the Northern Arc or enhancement of the piers must ensure that it can be implemented without any adverse effect upon the integrity of the European sites.*

I am writing to seek your agreement to delete the current wording of Policy Port/EN0 and to replace it with the new recommended wording. I would be grateful if you could respond to say that you agree to this change.

To be clear no further changes are being recommended to any other policies, including EN5, EN8, BE6 and ST1, which have already been amended to reflect the recommendations in the original HRA.

Also to be clear, when we publicise the proposed neighbourhood plan, we intend to place the submitted plan, the HRA, the HRA addendum and this e-mail thread online, so that there is a clear audit trail to show how the proposed neighbourhood plan has been amended (and how it should be further amended, subject to the recommendations of the examiner) to reflect the recommendations of the HRA (and subsequent HRA addendum).

I would be grateful for an early response as we hope to start publicising the proposed neighbourhood plan later next week.

I hope that's clear. Please get in touch if you have any queries or if you wish to discuss matters with me in more detail.

Regards

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