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Dear Ms Jones

Formal Response to a request for a Screening Opinion of a Neighbourhood Plan

I can advise you that the MBL Neighbourhood Plan does not need an environmental assessment to be prepared in accordance with EU Directive 2001/42 on strategic environmental assessment (SEA) on the basis that the information provided within the draft MBL Neighbourhood Plan has been sufficient to determine that:

- there are no sites being allocated for development within the proposed Neighbourhood Plan;
- there will be no significant environmental effects to result from the proposals in the Plan; and
- the Plan does not breach, and is otherwise compatible with, EU and Human Rights obligations.

I know that you have also received a copy of confirmation from Natural England that Habitats Regulation Assessment (HRA) is also not required.

Yours sincerely

Ken Bean

Planning Policy Manager