

BURTON JOYCE DRAFT NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (SEA) SCREENING DETERMINATION UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF PLANS AND PROGRAMMES REGULATIONS 2004.

Gedling Borough Council has undertaken a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) Screening in order to determine the requirement for SEA for the Burton Joyce Draft Neighbourhood Plan.

Following consultation with the relevant statutory bodies (The Environment Agency, Natural England and Historic England) the Council has determined that a SEA of the Burton Joyce Draft Neighbourhood Plan is not required as it is not likely to have significant environmental effects. As such, it is the opinion of Gedling Borough Council that the Burton Joyce Draft Neighbourhood Plan is in accordance with the provisions of European Directive 2001/42/EC as incorporated into United Kingdom law by the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004. The reasons for this decision are:

Statement of Reasons

- The Plan does not allocate land for development.
- The Plan has been written to be in general conformity with the Part 1 and Part 2 (emerging) Local Plan and, as a result, characteristics and issues related to the strategic policies and allocations in the neighbourhood area have been considered through the Local Plan process (including Habitats Regulations Assessment and Sustainability Appraisal). The Plan does not seek to alter the development strategy proposed in the Local Plan.
- The policies in the Plan are considered to have a generally positive environmental impact at local level, particularly through the inclusion of local design considerations.
- The analysis undertaken in Section 4 of the SEA Screening Report supports the conclusion reached, and has been confirmed through consultation with the statutory consultees.

A copy of the SEA Screening Report is available for inspection:

- At the Gedling Borough Council Offices –
Planning Policy, Civic Centre, Arnot Hill Park, Arnold, Nottingham, NG5 6LU.
- On the website – www.gedling.gov.uk/burtonjoyceplan

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