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Hi Jo

Apologies I thought we'd done this months ago but even then we were late!

Having checked we had said we had no comments on the basis that the levels of development was small.

Having looked again it appears that we did have some ecology / landscape comments as follows:

There is no mention or 'use' of the various levels of interrelated Landscape Character Assessments which should be part of the relevant information on which the landscape information is based on and not just that produced for the protected landscape. This should all help to steer the delivery of Objective 1; Character of the village and surroundings

On specific questions

> Whether the scoping report has identified the main plans and programmes and planning issues and constraints

The section on relevant plans, programmes and objectives should make reference to the Birds and Habitats Directive, Conservation of Habitats and Species Regs, Wildlife and Countryside Act and NERC Act as well as the Bern and Bonn conventions. The emerging DCC Mineral Sites Plan and Combined Waste Plan should also be referenced if these documents will influence the Parish Plan area.

> Whether there is any information available on aspects that may be missing. For example we know our current information on protected species and locally designated sites (SNCl, RIGS and DGT Historic Parks) is limited, and it would be useful to have more information (including maps) on these may be particularly relevant, and also a more detailed map showing the coverage of the minerals safeguarding policies in respect of the neighbourhood plan area.

Missing information should be sourced from the Dorset Environmental Records Centre (DERC) who are able to provide a report on all the ecological constraints within the Plan area. They will also provide advice on interpreting this information.

A key objective of the plan should be to ensure that impacts on habitats and species which are a material consideration within the planning process (ie those listed in Sect 41 of the NERC Act) should be minimised or mitigated against and that enhancements

should be sought where possible.

> Whether the potential sustainability objectives and assessment methodology are considered sufficiently robust given the likely coverage of the neighbourhood plan and its requirements to be in general conformity with the strategic policies of the adopted Local Plan, and have due regard to national policy.

The section of Biodiversity, geology , flora and fauna should be more specific in terms of how it will assess the impacts of development. It may be helpful to make reference to the Ecological Networks Map, information on which can be obtained from DERC.

You had followed up with some historic environment question which I think Steve Wallis responded directly on ?

There were no transport comments

FRM had advised that they are encouraged by the acknowledgement of and inclusion of topics relating to flood risk, climate change, policy and obligations upon future development.

However we offer the following recommendations:

1. Reference should be made to Ground Water flood risk, as well as Fluvial and Surface Water (table – page 4).
2. Reference should be made to appropriate surface water management and adoption of sustainable drainage within the Soil, Water, Air & Climate Factors section (table – page 6). – This presumably is relevant to the Wessex Water comments

Hope this helps

Richard

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