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# Strategic Environmental Assessment



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In preparing the Aberdeen City Local Housing Strategy, Aberdeen City Council as the Responsible Authority, has subjected the strategy to a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) as required under the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005.

We are required to determine whether the strategy is likely to have any significant environmental effects. A determination of likely significant environmental effects will mean that we have to undertake a full SEA and undertake statutory consultations.

When applying the relevant criteria as set out in Schedule 2 of the Act, we determined that the strategy was likely to have “no effects” or “minimal effects” on the environment. This was because the spatial implications and effects of the strategy had been fully assessed and mitigated under the SEA carried out for Aberdeen City Local Development Plan. As a result we carried out a pre-screening of the draft local housing strategy and notified the consultation authorities through the SEA Gateway on the 13th November 2017. We were informed by the SEA Gateway that if, within 10 working days, the Scottish Ministers raised no objections to our determination no further action is required.

The Scottish Ministers have not raised any objections to our determination and pre-screening.

As required under the law, there is no further action to be taken and we proceeded to complete the local housing strategy for adoption without any further SEA.