Dear Angela,

Apologies for the delay in responding, I had been experiencing IT issues and I think your original email got lost in the system.

I can confirm the references of the SPD are to be read as DPD and also that Natural England concurs with the response provided by Land Use Consultants in relation to water quality issues for the Madley Site and that your authority can determine the additional sites overall would not likely result in a Significant Effect on the River Wye SAC within your HRA.

Kind regards Andy

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Subject: RE: 2018-12-05 262485 Travellers' Sites - Additional Sites Consultation Herefordshire CC

Dear Mr Stubbs,

Thank you for providing comments on the Traveller Sites Development Plan Document (DPD) Additional Sites Consultation.

As you are aware the Travellers Sites DPD is currently under examination. We have provided the Planning Inspector with all the representations received during the additional sites consultation and the Council's response to these. The Inspector has asked us to confirm with Natural England whether it accepts the attached response provided by Land Use Consultants, on behalf of the Council, about the water quality and quantity issues in relation to the proposed site at Madley.

The Inspector has also asked us to confirm with you whether the references to SPD in your response should read DPD.

I would be grateful if you could provide a response to these queries at your earliest convenience to enable us to report back to the Planning Inspector.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Angela

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