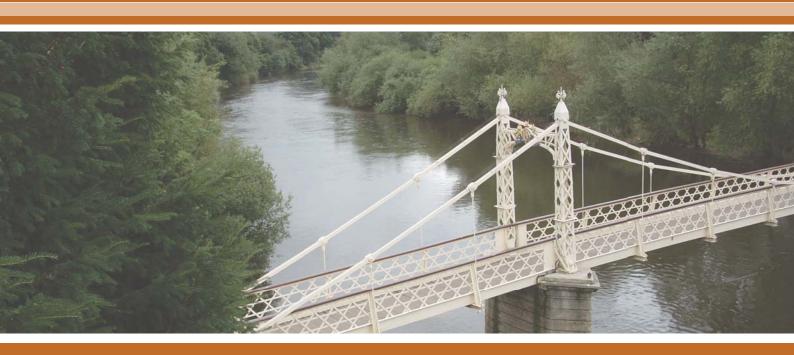
Habitats Regulations Assessment



Fownhope Neighbourhood Area

Addendum

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1.0 Introduction

1.1 To ensure that the requirements of the Habitats Directive and Regulations are met, it is necessary to consider the proposed Main Modifications through the HRA process to the Fownhope NDP. The NDP has now been through an Independent Examination by Barbara Maksymiw and within her report she has recommended a number of minor modifications to ensure the Plan meets the Basic conditions.

- 1.2 Herefordshire Council have accepted these modifications to the Plan, the NDP, therefore, has been updated to reflect the modifications suggested. In the main the changes were minor word alterations to ensure the Polices were in line with the Framework and also to add clarity for the decision makers. These modified policies have now been assessed as part of the HRA and the full results can be viewed in Appendix 1
- 1.3 The purpose of this further HRA Addendum Report is to detail the findings of the screening of proposed changes to policies and consider if they significantly affect the conclusions of the earlier HRA Reports (May 2015 and August 2015).
- 1.4 The modifications are not considered to significantly affect the conclusions of the earlier HRA report, as they did not involve the introduction of new policies or change the overall aims and objectives of the existing planning policies.

2.0 Screening of proposed modifications to the NDP

- 2.1 Regulation 102 of the Habitats Regulations 2010 requires that a Screening Assessment be undertaken, in order to identify the 'likely significant effects' of an NDP. Accordingly, a screening matrix was prepared and this determined the extent to which any of the policies and site allocations in the Fownhope NDP would be likely to have a significant effect on the River Wye SAC, which is in reasonably close proximity of the boundary of the Fownhope neighbourhood area.
- 2.2 The findings of the screening matrix can be found in Appendices 1 and 2 of that report.
- 2.3 The screening matrix took the approach of screening each policy, objective and site allocation individually, which is consistent with current guidance. The results from the HRA reports for the Pre-submission version of the Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy) and the proposed Main Modifications were also taken into consideration.
- 2.4 None of the Fownhope NDP objectives and policies (May 2015 and Addendum in August 2015) were concluded to be likely to have a significant effect on the European site. This conclusion is based on assumptions and information contained within the Fownhope NDP, the proposed Main Modifications to the Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy) and the latest version of the HRA for the Local Plan (Core Strategy), updated in April 2015 in light of the said modifications and published on the Council's website.
- 2.5 In many cases this is because the policies themselves would not result in development, i.e. they related instead to criteria for development. In several cases the policies also included measures to help support the natural environment including biodiversity. In addition, to conserve community facilities and heritage, and therefore no significant effect conclusion could be reached. These policies have the potential to mitigate some of the possible adverse effects arising from other policies.
- 2.6 With regard to site allocations, the possibility of there being likely significant effects could not be ruled out given that the sites were in close proximity of the River Wye SAC. However, it is considered that the inclusion of additional policy wording within the housing section of the NDP would, along with other policies, provide adequate safeguarding measures.
- 2.7 It was also concluded that the Fownhope NDP will unlikely have any in-combination effects with any plans from neighbouring parishes, as no sites are allocated for development in these.

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- 2.8 Therefore it was concluded that the **Fownhope NDP will not have a likely significant effect** on the River Wye SAC.
- 2.9 The proposed amendments to the final NDP following the examination are screened to consider if they are likely to significantly affect the findings of the previous HRA Report, prepared in May 2015 and August 2015. A summary of the main findings is provided below. The full findings can be found in Appendix 1 of this report.

3.0 Summary of main findings

- 3.1 The final NDP incorporates the modifications that examiner has recommended within the examiner's report. These changes are to ensure that the Plan meets the Basic Conditions. For full details on the modifications see Appendix 2 of this Addendum.
- 3.2 No new policies have been introduced into the Final NDP following the examination; however there have been some minor word changes and repeated or unnecessary criterion deleted from some of the policies.
- 3.3 The revised NDP policies are therefore unlikely to result in significant effects on the European sites, a conclusion of which is based on assumptions and information contained within the Fownhope NDP, the proposed Main Modifications to the Herefordshire Local Plan (Core Strategy) and the latest version of the HRA for the Local Plan (Core Strategy), updated in April 2015 in light of the said modifications and published on the Council's website.

4.0 Conclusion

- With reference to section 3 above, the change of wording added to the Policies, and the deletion of criterion within Policies FW2, FW3, FW4, FW5, FW6, FW7, FW9, FW13 and FW14 are not considered to affect the findings of the previous HRA report. The title of Policy FW16 and FW21 has been changed to reflect the contents of the policy, so are now known as 'Design Criteria' and 'Retail Facilities and Recreational Facilities' respectively. FW8, FW10, FW17, FW18, FW20, FW22, FW23, FW25, FW27 and FW28 were minor grammatical changes, or the additional of the place name in the policy to add clarity.
- 4.2 Therefore the earlier conclusion that the **Fownhope NDP will not have a likely significant effect on the River Wye SAC** remains valid.

5.0 Next steps

5.1 This Addendum Report will be published alongside the final Wellington NDP and the earlier HRA report and Addendum.

Appendix 1

	HRA Screening of NDP objectives and policies				
NDP objectives	Likely activities (operations) to result as a consequence of the objective/policy	Likely effect if objective/policy implemented. Could they have Likely Significant Effects on European Sites?	European Sites potentially affected	Mitigation measures to be considered, as necessary, through redraft of objective/option/policy.	Could the policy have any likely significant effects on European sites (taking mitigation into account)?
Policy FW2 Safeguarding the Wye Valley AONB.	Seeks to ensure that the character and appearance of the Conservation Area and AONB are preserved or enhanced.	N/A	N/A	N/A	No, this policy will not lead to development; rather it aims to ensure that new development coming forward under the other NDP policies contributes to and respects the value of natural heritage assets.
Policy FW3 Flooding.	Seeks to reduce impacts of flooding within the parish.	Amended wording ensures that even though development could come forward in Flood Zone 1, proposals in Flood Zone 2 or 3 will need to demonstrate that they are safe from flooding.	River Wye (including the River Lugg) SAC	This policy should help to mitigate potential adverse effects of future development on designated areas by ensuring that development happens in sustainable non-flood risk locations.	No, the policy itself will not lead to development; instead it relates to the criteria used for permitting development in suitable locations. The policy is aiming to reduce development in flood risk areas thus reducing the impact on the water environment.
Policy FW4 Sewerage Treatment Works.	Seeks to ensure that development proposals can be accommodated by the Sewage Treatment Works (STW).	N/A	River Wye (including the River Lugg) SAC	This policy should help to mitigate potential adverse effects of future development on designated areas by ensuring that proposals meet the required infrastructure requirements.	No, the policy itself will not lead to development; instead it aims to ensure that development can be accommodated by existing infrastructure, or else facilitates the provision of necessary upgrades.
Policy FW5 Biodiversity	Policy to preserve or enhance the landscape of the parish's ecological network. Aims to ensure that development contributes positively to the rural character of the area.	N/A	N/A	N/A	No, this policy will not lead to new development; rather it specifically aims to ensure that any development proposed will conserve or enhance local ecological features and networks. As such this policy could help to provide mitigation against the potential of other NDP policies.
Policy FW6 Countryside access.	Additional visitor numbers, increased traffic, increased abstraction and demand for water use.	Potential increase in visitor numbers to the parish could have an effect on the River Wye.	River Wye (including River Lugg) SAC	Measures are included in both the Local Plan (Core Strategy) and the NDP to help relieve any increased pressure in the River Wye for recreation purposes. Improved water efficiency measures, metering and addressing leakage in supply will help mitigate any additional pressures in water supply.	No, as the policy emphasises the importance of natural environment. Although visitor and tourism activity may increase within the parish, sufficient policy safeguards are in place to ensure the sensitivity of the River Wye is mitigated from likely significant harm.
Policy FW7 Conservation of Fownhope's historic character.	Policy requires all proposals concerning to demonstrate how they will conserve or enhance historic assets. This includes	N/A	N/A	N/A	No, as the policy merely seeks to ensure that greater checks and balances are placed on proposals that directly affect heritage assets, including those which are not subject to any

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	non-designated heritage assets.				formal designation, at the planning application stage.
Policy FW9 Housing numbers.	Policy to support the delivery of market housing to meet the needs of local people in line with Local Plan (Core Strategy) Policy RA2. The amendments to the policies during the examination included adding the site details into the policy.	Some small scale housing development. Housing, infrastructure development and possible increase in recreational activities, vehicular movements and demand for water abstraction and treatment. Uncertain as to the impacts upon the River Wye SAC dependent on the location of non-allocated development, however the policy would result in small scale growth.	River Wye (including the River Lugg) SAC	The policies set out in the Local Plan (Core Strategy), and elsewhere within the NPD should help to avoid adverse impacts upon the European site.	No. This policy conforms to Policy RA2 of the Local Plan (Core Strategy), and although it is acknowledged that there will be an increase in the demand for water abstraction and sewage treatment, the latest version of the HRA underlying the Core Strategy (April 2015) confirms that the roll out of Policy RA2 across the rural areas should not lead to adverse effects on the integrity of the River Wye SAC, provided the mitigation measures set out in the NMP are implemented.
Policy FW13 Affordable housing.	Policy to support the delivery of affordable housing in line with Policy H1 of the Core Strategy. Examination modification reduced the threshold for affordable housing to 35% to match the Local Plan, and has removed the 'from 6 houses' to change to '10 or more houses' to align with the Core Strategy.	Some small scale housing development. Housing, infrastructure development Possible increase in recreation activities, vehicular movements and demand for water abstraction and treatment. Uncertain as to the impacts upon the River Wye SAC dependent on the location of development, however the policy would result in small scale growth.	River Wye (including the River Lugg) SAC	The policies set out in the Local Plan (Core Strategy), and elsewhere within the NPD should help to avoid adverse impacts upon the European site	No, this policy would allow for small affordable housing schemes and supports Policy H1 of the Core Strategy. There are additional policy criteria in place in both the Local Plan (Core Strategy) and the NDP to avoid or mitigate any likely significant effects.
Policy FW14 Rural exception sites.	Policy to support the delivery of rural exception sites in line with Policy H2 of the Core Strategy.	Some small scale housing development in places that would not ordinarily achieve	River Wye (including the River Lugg) SAC	The policies set out in the Local Plan (Core Strategy), and elsewhere within the NPD should help to avoid adverse	No, this policy would allow for small rural exception schemes and supports Policy H2 of the Core Strategy. There are additional policy criteria in place in both the Local Plan (Core

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Appendix 2

Policy	Modification recommended	Justification
Recommended Modification 1 Throughout the	Devise a consistent approach to numbering the sub clauses of policies	To add clarity for decision makers
plan	Add reference numbers to each table and diagram, amending the contents page accordingly	To update to the Local Plan
	modify relevant text throughout the plan to reflect the current development plan situation	
Recommended Modification 2 Page 3	Add a full title to the Fownhope Map on Page 3, including its date and source, and add a suitable notation for the area designated as AONB	To ensure that the status as a map from an inherited plan is then clear and there is no potential confusion with the new Fownhope Policies Map on Page 25
Recommended Modification 3 Policy FW1	Add 'A substantial proportion of' to the beginning of clause FW1a)	Ensure there is no conflict between policies.
	Add 'be appropriate to the needs of the community and 'after 'should' in clause FW1c)	Avoid ambiguity and improve clarity
	Delete 'Site measures will encourage' from clause FW1f) and reword remainder of policy to read 'Good practice such astravel by car will be encouraged'	
Recommended Modification 4 Policy FW2	Delete FW1h) Add 'should' after 'rural character' in the sixth line of FW2 and amend clause a) to add 'Give' before 'highest priority to'	To avoid policy duplication and improve clarity.
	Delete FW2f)	
	Add at the end of the first sentence of para 7.3 'and is currently preparing the	
	Wye Valley AONB Management Plan 2015-20.'	
Recommended Modification 5 Policy FW3	Delete bullet points 1 and 2 from FW3 and replace with: 'Development should be located in Flood Zone 1 and only permitted in Flood Zones 2 and 3 if there are no other options and the proposal is in accordance with national policy and guidance. Proposals for any such small-scale development should demonstrate that they are safe with flood-risk betterment provided where possible. Any development that would result in increased flood risk to	To ensure it meets national policy.

	properties elsewhere will not be	
	permitted'	
Recommended	Reword FW4 as follows:	To provide additional
Modification 6	Developers should demonstrate that	information to assist decision
Policy FW4	their proposals will not overload the	makers and ensure the policy
	sewerage system and development	aligns with the Core Strategy.
	which would result in the capacity of	3,
	the Fownhope Waste Water treatment	
	Works and its contributory pipe	
	network being exceeded will not be	
	permitted. The potential impacts of	
	development on the sewerage system	
	may involve developers:	
	working with Welsh Water to fund	
	appropriate upgrades to the sewerage	
	system	
	• providing alternative arrangements	
	for the discharge and treatment of foul Water Works to upgrade the quality	
	and capacity of the Waste Water	
	Treatment Works and its contributory	
	pipe network will be supported where	
	they are required by DCWW and are	
	on a scale to meet the level of	
	development set out in this Plan.	
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	Add as a new sentence after 'to	
	2031.' to read 'Any required future	
	improvement will be subject to	
	approval by Ofwat as part of future	
	programmes. DCWW will continue to	
	undertake operational work on the	
	Fownhope Waste Water Treatment	
	Works and/or public sewerage	
Recommended	network as and when required.'	To provide additional clarity
Modification 7	Add 'and priority habitat such as traditional orchards and woodland'	To provide additional clarity to the policy.
Policy FW5	after 'SSSI's' in line 2 of FW5 and add	to the policy.
Folicy I VV3	'on designated sites' after 'adverse	
	effects',	
Recommended	Reword FW6 as follows:	Ensure it is unambiguous and
Modification 8	Developments which diminish the	precise, and that it aligns with
	value of the rights of way network and	the Core Strategy policies.
Policy FW6	open views from it will be resisted.	
	Where existing rights of way may be	
	affected by proposals for	
	development, any proposed	
	alternative route should be at least of	
	equal utility value and be as	
	satisfactory as the existing right of	
	way. Any new route should be	
	dedicated as a public right of way and provide improvements to existing	
	routes or provide new sustainable	
	walking routes to village facilities	
	Proposals to enhance the public right	
	of way network will be supported,	
	particularly where they lead to	
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Recommended Modification 9 Policy FW7	increased access for cyclists and horse-riders, without harming the quiet enjoyment of other users A proposal to provide an additional crossing of the River Wye for walkers, pedal cyclists and horse-riders will be supported Add 'the following' between 'affect' and 'views' and delete 'including but not limited to views above' to FW7a. Add the list of views and vistas listed under para 11.5 to the policy as bullet points under FW7a • Add a separate map of the views and vistas listed in para 11.5, showing the views and vistas with arrows, or other suitable notation	To ensure clarity with the wording of the policy and ensure a consistent approach for decision makers. The removal of part (g) as it should be within the supporting text as it is not policy and is already covered in another policy.
	Delete 'with regard to' from FW7d and substitute 'where' and add 'is proposed, developments' after 'innovative design'	
	Delete FW7g from policy FW7	
Recommended Modification 10 Policy FW8	Bullet point 3 reword with - In the area designated as the Common Hill 'Area of Special Character' all development should retain or enhance the unique landscape and historic character of the area and its surroundings Add boundary of Common Hill Area of Special Character to Fownhope	To reduce the risk of policy duplication and overlap and to ensure clarity within the plan.
Recommended Modification 11 Policy FW9	Policies Map Consider updating the referencing system used for identifying the allocated housing sites •Delete 'allows for' before 'windfalls' and add 'and outside' after 'within' in the second bullet point of FW9. • Delete the last paragraph of the policy and substitute: 'The plan allocates four housing sites as follows: Site A - Mill Field is allocated for approximately 12 dwellings subject to the proposed development meeting the following requirements; • addressing the significant environmental effects on the AONB and the Conservation Area • minimising potential impacts on the landscape character of the north west part of the village • achieving a safe pedestrian access to the village facilities, other than by	To ensure the numbering system is up to date and not reflecting the previous consultation referencing system. Wording change to ensure clarity. For the sites to be marked appropriately to ensure clarity for decision makers to know which site is being referred to. To remove personal commentary. To ensure the wording ties in with information on page 15.

the main road contributing to meeting local housing

Site B/C – Land at Potato Barn/Mill Farm is allocated for approximately 10

dwellings subject to the proposed development meeting the following requirements:

- addressing the potential impacts on the AONB and the Conservation Area
- achieving highway access either by the existing farm access (which will need to be retained) or by shared access with Lowerhouse Gardens.
 Access from the drive to Mill Farm is not considered acceptable
- contributing to meeting local housing needs

Site D – Adjacent to Lowerhouse Gardens is allocated for approximately 10 dwellings subject to the proposed development meeting the following requirements:

- addressing potential impacts on the AONB and Conservation Area
- achieving highway access by way of Lowerhouse Gardens, subject to a satisfactory highways visibility and safety assessment that the access will cope with additional traffic
- achieving a safe pedestrian access to the village facilities, other than by the main road
- contributing to meeting local housing needs
- providing a detailed assessment of flood risk

Site H - Adjacent to Medical Centre is allocated for approximately 7 dwellings subject to the proposed development meeting the following requirements:

- addressing potential impacts on the AONB
- a highway assessment of the capacity of Common Hill Lane
- achieving a new access off Common Hill Lane whilst respecting the character of the lane
- the provision of a footpath to the north to link Green Lane to improve access to the bus stop
- seeking the provision of allotments and/or a play area on part of the field
- contributing primarily to local housing needs, with an element of market housing to provide any necessary cross-subsidy. There may be scope for some of the social

	housing to be supported housing for	
	young and old, to be provided in	
	collaboration with the Surgery	
	• reinforcing tree planting to protect	
	views from public footpaths between	
	village and Common Hill'	
	Add site names and boundaries for	
	each of the four allocated housing	
	sites to the Fownhope Village Policies	
	Map and make appropriate	
	adjustments to the plan key	
	adjustments to the plantite)	
	Consider presenting the Fownhope	
	Village Policies Map at an A3 scale	
	In the Table below para 14.2, change	
	'rear of Lowerhouse Gardens' to	
	'adjacent to Lowerhouse Gardens'.	
	The list of sites in the table should be	
	reordered to follow the policy order in	
	modified policy FW9	
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Recommended	Delete last sentence of para 13.8 Add 'lf it' at the baginning of the third	Ensure consistent format
Modification 12	Add 'If it' at the beginning of the third bullet point of FW10	Ensure consistent format
Policy FW10 Policy FW11	No change necessary	Meets the basic conditions
Policy FW12	No change necessary No change necessary	Meets the basic conditions
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Recommended Modification 15 Policy FW15	Delete final sentence of Para 20.2 and replace with 'Fownhope Parish Council will monitor housing permissions and completions in the annual monitoring report on the Neighbourhood Plan' Add a new sentence to the end of para 20.2 'Works to upgrade the quality and capacity of the Waste Water Treatment Works and/or public sewerage network may be required to meet the level of development set out in the plan and may influence the phasing of development'	To ensure clarity.
Recommended Modification 16 Policy FW16	Consider deleting 'for housing' from the title of FW16	Policy is not specific to housing so to improve clarity for the decision maker.
Recommended Modification 17 Policy FW17	Change 'will' to 'has been' in para 22 Delete 'Fownhope Inset Map' from policy FW17 and substitute 'Fownhope Village Policies Map'	To improve clarity and improve positivity to the policy.
Recommended Modification 18 Policy FW18	Add 'should ensure that' after 'and' in the sixth line of FW18. Delete the bullet points at the beginning of each of the last two paragraphs of the policy	To improve clarity of the policy to ensure it can be applied precisely and consistently
Policy FW19	No change necessary	Meets the basic conditions
Recommended Modification 19 Policy FW20	Add 'of farmsteads' after 'conversion' in the third paragraph of FW20 and delete 'Herefordshire farmsteads characterisation project and substitute 'relevant local and countywide guidance' Add details about the Herefordshire Farmsteads Characterisation Project as a new fourth sentence to the supporting text above FW20 in para 25.	Ensure policy is expressed clearly and concisely and do not rely on supporting documents that may quickly become outdated.
Recommended Modification 20 Policy FW21	Add 'and recreational facilities' to the policy title of FW21	To improve clarity.
Recommended Modification 21 Policy FW22	Add, as a new sentence, after 'solutions', 'These include, but are not limited to:'	To update the services and facilities available currently.
	Delete 'hairdressers' from Policy	

	FW22 and 'and hairdressers' from para 26.1 and add 'and' after 'two pubs'	
Recommended	Delete 'The' at the start of FW23. Add	Needs a site specific element
Modification 22	at 'the Medical Centre at Common Hill	to be used for land use
Policy FW23	Lane' after 'services'	planning decisions.
Policy FW24	No change necessary	Meets the basic conditions
Recommended	Review use of bullet points in FW25	Ensure consistency with the
Modification 23	and change to ensure consistency	rest of the plan
Policy FW25	with other policies in the	
	Neighbourhood Plan	
Policy FW26	No change necessary	Meets the basic conditions
Recommended	Delete '20mph speed limits' from para	To ensure consistency with
Modification 24	29 and add 'a design speed of 20mph	Herefordshire Council advice
Policy FW27	and 15mph on shared space, in line	on Highways
	with the Herefordshire Highways	
	Design Guide'	
Recommended	Add site names and boundaries for	To ensure clarity for decision
Modification 25	each of the five designated local	makers.
Policy FW28	green spaces to the Fownhope	
	Village Policies Map and make	
	appropriate adjustments to the plan	
	key. Ensure the symbols used for the	
	SSSI and local green space	
	designations can be easily	
	distinguished	
	Delete the second or a sector to at	
	Delete 'to meet requests for ' and	
	substitute 'which increase or improve	
	the provision of'	