



EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

# Local Development Plan 2

# Environmental Report

2024

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# 1. INTRODUCTION

## Local Development Plan 2

- 1.1. The Local Development Plan 2 (LDP2) is being prepared under the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as Amended). It also takes into account a wide range of publications and views including the National Planning Framework 4 (NPF4), National Transport Strategy 2 (NTS2), the Ayrshire Regional Spatial Strategy, the Council's Community Plan 2015-2030, and other various Council strategies such as the Local Housing Strategy. LDP2 will replace the East Ayrshire Local Development Plan 2017 and East Ayrshire Minerals Local Development Plan 2020 upon adoption. The LDP2 is the subject of the assessment contained in this Environmental Report.
- 1.2. LDP2 sets out the vision, spatial strategies, proposals, policies and development opportunity sites for future development in East Ayrshire. Map 1 shows the boundaries and geographical extent of East Ayrshire.
- 1.3. LDP2 is required to undergo a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) in accordance with the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005. This is to assess the likely significance of the environmental effects of the implementation of the LDP2.

## Statutory Requirement for SEA

### *Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005*

- 1.4. Throughout the preparation of East Ayrshire Council's Local Development Plan 2, the Council are required to undertake a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) under the provisions of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 (referred to as "the Act" within this document). The Environmental Report (ER) has been prepared in accordance with Section 5 (3) of the Act. The SEA is concerned with the protection of the environment. It is a beneficial and thorough assessment process which ensures that environmental considerations are taken on board at an early stage in the Local Development Plan preparation process, to ensure development takes place in the right location with minimal environmental impact.
- 1.5. The preparation of the Environmental Report has followed the Scottish Government's SEA Guidance which was published in August 2013.
- 1.6. The SEA is an integral part of, and will be taken into account throughout, the Local Development process. At key stages, the public will be able to comment on the environmental assessment and all comments will be taken on board.

- 1.7. A Scoping Report was submitted to the consultation authorities through the SEA Gateway in April 2019. Responses received during this consultation can be viewed in Appendix 1. The Main Issues Report and associated Interim Environmental Report was submitted to the consultation authorities through the SEA Gateway, and open to public consultation from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020. Responses from the Consultation Authorities were received on the 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020. The Consultation Authorities comments have been taken into consideration in the preparation of this Environmental Report. Appendix 2 details our responses to the Consultation Authorities Comments.

### Key Stages of the SEA Process

- 1.8. The Act (2005) identifies a number of key stages to be undertaken for a SEA and these are outlined below:

**Table 1: Key Stages of the LDP2 and SEA Process**

Timescale	LDP/SEA Stage	
<b>Preparation of the Scoping Environmental Report:</b>		
Quarter 1 - 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Gather comments/feedback from SEA Consultation Authorities</li> <li>❖ Submit Scoping Report to SEA Gateway.</li> </ul>	<b>Complete</b>
<b>Preparation of the Main Issues Report (MIR) and Interim Environmental Report:</b>		
Quarter 4 2019 and Quarter 1 - 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Collate baseline environmental information (including information regarding European and international designations)</li> <li>❖ Consider comments received on the Scoping Report from Consultation Authorities and refine the methodology.</li> <li>❖ Undertake a Stage 1 Assessment of the MIR by environmentally appraising the preferred and alternative options (including the identification of potential sites and subsequent environmental implications of inclusion within LDP2).</li> </ul>	<b>Complete</b>
<b>Publication and consultation period on MIR and Interim Environmental Report (minimum of 6 weeks):</b>		

Quarter 2 - 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Publish Interim Environmental Report and MIR documents for public consultation. Consultation period held between the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020 – 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020.</li> <li>❖ Submit documents to SEA Gateway</li> <li>❖ Continue to consider implications of main issues</li> <li>❖ Consider comments received</li> <li>❖ Environmentally appraise the Proposed Plan</li> <li>❖ Make the necessary amendments to the Environmental Report and assessment outcomes if required.</li> </ul>	<b>Complete</b>
<b>Preparation of the Proposed Local Development Plan:</b>		
Quarters 1, 2, 3 and 4 - 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Consider comments received from Interim Environmental Report and MIR</li> <li>❖ Consider comments from SEA Consultation Authorities on Interim Environmental Report</li> <li>❖ Undertake the preparation of policies and proposals of Proposed Plan by environmentally appraising proposed policies and sites.</li> <li>❖ LDP2 Main Issues Report is assessed against the SEA Objectives.</li> <li>❖ Assessment of alternatives to the preferred options for addressing the main issues are also assessed.</li> <li>❖ Requirements for mitigation and monitoring are reported.</li> </ul>	<b>Complete</b>
<b>Publication and consultation on the Proposed Plan and Environmental Report (Minimum of 6 weeks):</b>		
Quarter 1 – 4 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ The Consultation Authorities will provide a response on the Environmental Report via the SEA Gateway within 12 weeks of receipt.</li> <li>❖ The Consultation Authorities will advise on the content of the Environmental Report and provide feedback which will be considered</li> <li>❖ Consultation period for proposed plan – 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 to 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022.</li> <li>❖ Prepare a summary of Schedule 4 documents (unresolved representations) and a report of conformity with participation statement</li> </ul>	<b>Complete</b>
<b>Submit Proposed Plan to Examination:</b>		
Quarter 1 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Consider response to Proposed Plan</li> <li>❖ Prepare a summary of Schedule 4 documents (unresolved representations) and a report of conformity with participation statement</li> <li>❖ Submit the Proposed Plan, Schedule 4 documents, proposed Action Programme and</li> </ul>	<b>Complete</b>

	<p>Statement of Conformity to the Scottish Ministers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Advertise submission of the Proposed Plan.</li> <li>❖ Submit Environmental Report to Scottish Ministers.</li> <li>❖ Advertise submission of the Environmental Report.</li> </ul>	
<b>Examination Report Issued:</b>		
Quarter 4 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Examination Report published and submitted to planning authority.</li> </ul>	<b>Complete</b>
<b>Publish modifications and the Proposed Plan as modified:</b>		
Quarter 1 - 2024	<p>Planning authority considers recommendations and prepares Modifications, Proposed Plan as modified and Statement of Explanation for not accepting any recommendations.</p> <p>Publish Modifications and Proposed Plan as modified. Advertise intention to adopt Plan. Send Ministers the Proposed Plan as modified etc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Environmentally appraise modified Plan. Carry out Appropriate Assessment of modified Plan if required.</li> <li>❖ Ministers publish revised Environmental Report (and revised HRA Record) if required</li> <li>❖ Publish Post-Adoption SEA Statement and submit to SEA Gateway</li> </ul>	<b>Complete</b>
<b>Adoption of the Proposed Plan:</b>		
Quarter 1 - 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ East Ayrshire Council adopts the Proposed Plan as LDP2</li> </ul>	<b>Current Stage</b>
<b>Post-Adoption SEA Statement:</b>		
Quarter 3 - 4 - 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Publish Post-Adoption SEA Statement and submit to SEA Gateway</li> </ul>	<b>X</b>
<b>Mitigation and Monitoring:</b>		
2024 and beyond	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Following adoption, East Ayrshire Council will be responsible for monitoring the implementation of LDP2.</li> </ul>	<b>X</b>

## Key Facts

1.9. Table 2 below contains the key facts relating to the PLDP:

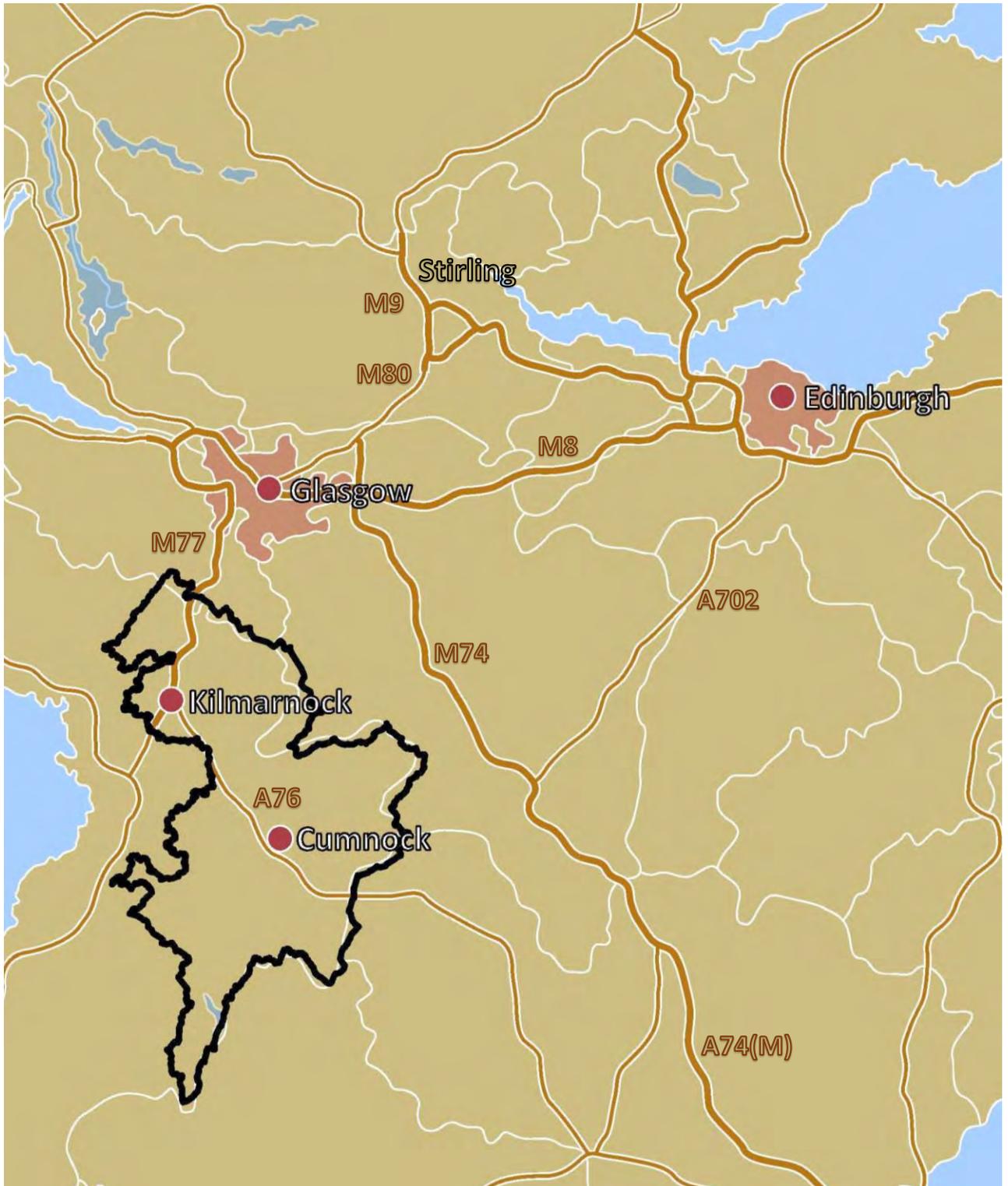
Key Fact	Detail
Responsible Authority	East Ayrshire Council
Title of the Plan/Programme	East Ayrshire Local Development Plan 2 Environmental Report: Strategic Environmental Assessment (February 2024)
What prompted the Plan	<p>The East Ayrshire Local Development Plan (LDP1) was adopted in 2017. That Plan must be reviewed and replaced within a 5 year period of adoption. The review will focus on wider impacts of the existing LDP on the area and how far the objectives and vision of that original LDP have been realised.</p> <p>The East Ayrshire Minerals Local Development Plan (MLDP) was adopted in 2020. That Plan is being integrated with the Local Development Plan. The review will focus on wider impacts of the existing MLDP on the area and how far the objectives and vision of that original LDP have been realised.</p>
Plan subject	Land-use planning
Period covered by the Plan	2024-2029
Frequency of Updates	5 years
Plan area	East Ayrshire Council (whole authority). See Map 1.
Purpose of the Plan/Objective	LDP2 will be a land-use management document, which provides a spatial management strategy in line with the Council's priorities (replacing the current LDP and MLDP).

**Table 2:** Key Facts

1.10. The main points of contact for the LDP2 and SEA are as follows:

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**Map 1:** Area covered by the Environment Report



**Map 1:** Illustrates the context of East Ayrshire in relation to key cities such as Glasgow and Edinburgh. Map 2 illustrates the extents of East Ayrshire in a simplistic form.

## 2. CONTEXT

### Background

- 2.1. The process and timeframe for the preparation and adoption of the LDP2 and SEA is contained within the Council's Development Plan Scheme, which was approved by East Ayrshire Council's Cabinet on 19 April 2023.
- 2.2. The form and content of LDP2 is contained within Section 15 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended). The LDP2 is the subject of the assessment contained in this Environmental Report and has been prepared under the provisions of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended). It also takes into account the provisions of the Development Planning (Scotland) Regulations 2008, the National Planning Framework 4 and the East Ayrshire Community Plan. Section 10 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Planning) (Scotland) Regulations 2008 provides further guidance on the information and considerations that the Proposed Plan must reflect.

### Scope of the LDP2

- 2.3. The LDP2 sets out how the Council wants to see East Ayrshire develop over the next 10-20 years and provides the Council's planning policy framework for all matters, including matters covered by the Minerals Local Development Plan (2020), which LDP2 will supersede. NPF4 now forms part of the development plan framework of East Ayrshire (published 13 February 2023). An environmental assessment of NPF4 has been carried out by the Scottish Government.
- 2.4. The LDP2 consists of the following:

- ✓ **Spatial portrait of East Ayrshire as a Place**
- ✓ **Vision**
- ✓ **Aims**
- ✓ **Spatial Strategy centred around five key themes (*which detail how the vision and aims will be realised*);**
- ✓ **Detailed policies and proposals to be utilised in the consideration of the development and use of land**
- ✓ **Settlement maps which illustrate spatially where development should be directed;**
- ✓ **Series of relevant schedules and lists**
- ✓ **Supplementary guidance**

### 3. Relationship between other Plans, Programmes and Strategies (PPS's)

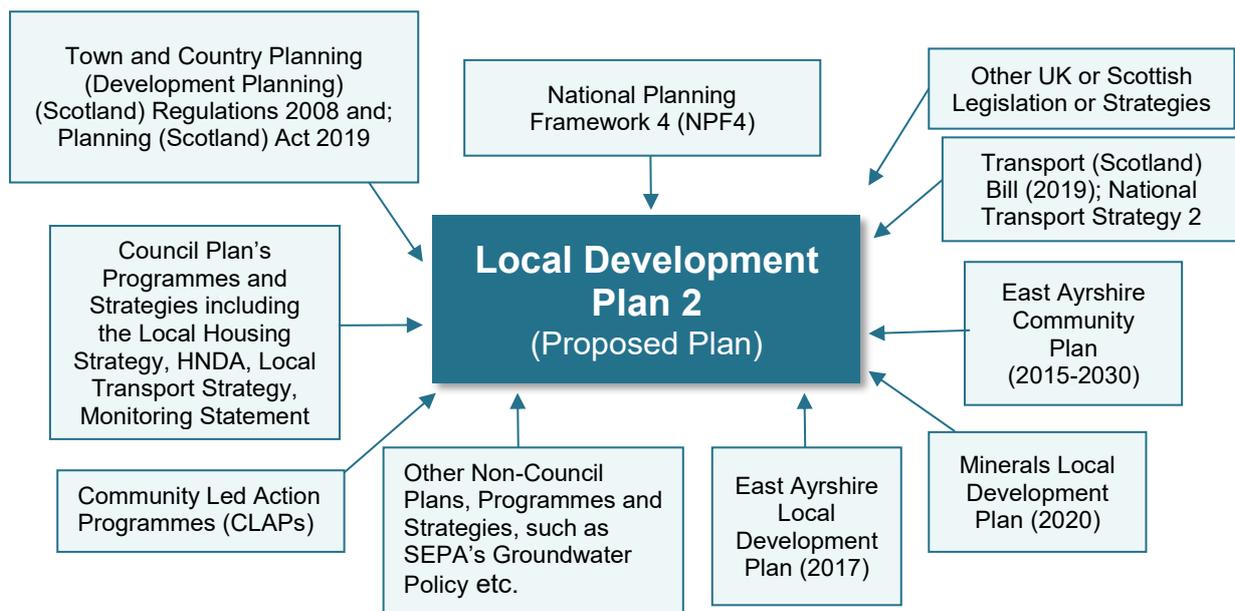
3.1. LDP2 is influenced by a wide range of International, European, National and local plans, programmes and strategies (PPS). Schedule 3 (1) of the Act requires the environmental report to contain details of the relationship of LDP2 with other PPSs and consider their content, objectives and visions. Appendix 3 provides a list of all of the relevant PPS that have influenced the content of LDP2.

#### Hierarchy of Plans, Programmes and Strategies

3.2. Identifying the PPSs which are of relevance to LDP2 will assist in understanding LDP2's position in the hierarchy of PPSs. The LDP2 is therefore not an isolated document, it sits within a hierarchy of Plans, Programmes and Strategies (PPS's). Establishing LDP2's context amongst other PPSs will also assist in identifying the environmental objectives which are applicable to these documents, and the implications which these objectives will have for LDP2.

3.3. The LDP2 sits within a hierarchy of PPS's. Figure 1 below shows, in diagrammatical form, where the Proposed Plan is located within the hierarchy.

**Figure 1:** Relationship between the LDP2 and Other Plans, Programmes and Strategies (PPS)



- 3.4. Appendix 3 provides an extensive list of the PPSs which are of relevance to LDP2 and how they will affect or be affected by LDP2 and how the LDP2 needs to take these into consideration throughout the preparation of the Plan.
- 3.5. The LDP2 will also have an inter-relationship with the documents which form the Development Plans of neighbouring Local Authorities.
- 3.6. The LDP2 will set the policy framework for forthcoming Supplementary Guidance.

### **Environmental Protection Objectives**

- 3.7. The environmental objectives that are contained within International, European, UK and Scottish legislation, as well as national advice and guidance, which are considered to be of the greatest relevance to the LDP2, will be taken into account when preparing the LDP2. These environmental protection objectives are contained within Appendix 3 and 5.

## **4. Baseline Environmental Data**

- 4.1. Schedule 3 subsection 2-5 of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 requires that the Environmental Report provides information on the:
  - ❖ *Current state of East Ayrshire's environment*
  - ❖ *Likely evolution of the environment without LDP2*
  - ❖ *Environmental characteristics of the area that will likely be significantly affected by LDP2*
  - ❖ *The international, national, regional and local environmental protection objectives which are relevant to LDP and how these have been taken into account*
  - ❖ *Any existing environmental problems which are relevant to the LDP2.*
- 4.2. Gathering and collating baseline environmental data is an integral part of the SEA process, providing a snapshot of the environment at that point of time. In doing so, the SEA highlights existing environmental problems which need to be addressed; these are then utilised in order to forecast future environmental impacts of the implementation of LDP2. Baseline environmental data directly informs the development of SEA objectives which the LDP2 will be assessed against. Baseline environmental data can be used to predict the future impacts that the implementation of the Plan will have on the environment.

- 4.3. The Environmental Report for the LDP2 will produce a full and comprehensive list of baseline environmental data, utilising GIS mapping where possible, to show the geographical location and scale of key environmental designations and utilising the recently updated State of the Environment Report (2019). Appendix 6 summarises the key baseline environmental information and the environmental implications for the preparation and development of the LDP2.
- 4.4. Appendix 5 also sets out the suggested detailed SEA objectives for assessment purposes. These have been developed taking into account the summary baseline information collated and the environmental implications for the MIR and LDP2. The SEA objectives will be used to assess these documents and provide the basis for the development of sub-criteria/questions in Appendix 5.

### **Existing Environmental Issues and Problems**

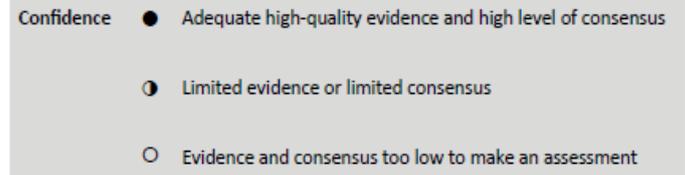
- 4.5. The Environmental Report identifies current environmental issues that affect East Ayrshire by utilising information that has been identified through an analysis of environmental baseline data and implications, which are contained in Appendix 4 and 6 and are detailed within the State of the Environmental Report (2019).
- 4.6. **In overall terms, the quality of baseline environmental information is good across most of the topic area with the exception of some ecological data being of poor quality, fragmented or not available. 65% of the assessment components (Geology and Soils, Biodiversity, etc.) have been scored as “Good” with 5% being scored as “Very Good”. 25% of the assessment components are improving with 30% stable and 20% degrading.**
- 4.7. The key environmental issues facing East Ayrshire are:

- ❖ **Significant landscape change in some rural areas as a result of the nature and scale of minerals development, windfarm developments, residential development as well as changes to agricultural and forestry practices.**
- ❖ **Cumulative impacts from both minerals and windfarm developments. The assessment trends in landscape and visual impacts are currently deteriorating and measured as being in poor condition.**
- ❖ **The amount of vacant units within town centres is increasing and this is causing an adverse impact on the image of town centres. Town centres across East Ayrshire especially Kilmarnock are in need of environmental improvement and regeneration;**

- ❖ **Loss and/or fragmentation of habitats and species.** The assessment trends in biodiversity, flora and fauna, specifically habitats and protected species, are currently in good condition but are deteriorating. The extent and quality of natural bird resources for breeding and wintering has decreased.
- ❖ **Damage to internationally designated sites.** The assessment trends indicate that 8 sites remain in an unfavourable condition.
- ❖ **Pollution and reduced air quality from road traffic, rural sources and minerals extraction.**
- ❖ **Changes in climate pose issues regarding extreme flood events.** The risk of flooding in certain areas within East Ayrshire are high (e.g. the Irvine Valley).
- ❖ **Legacy of vacant and derelict land as well as unrestored land both in the settlements and rural area which detract from the character and appearance of the area;**
- ❖ **There is an increasing pressure on the area's transport infrastructure, particularly at Bellfield Interchange, Kilmarnock. This has resulted in an increase in congestion and pollution.**

- 4.8. It has been important to take account of these factors in developing the policies and proposals of the Proposed Plan.
- 4.9. Figure 2 illustrates the findings of the State of the Environment Report (2019). Further detail can be viewed in Appendix 6.

**Figure 2: State of the Environment Trend**



Assessment Component	Assessment Grade				Confidence	
	Very Poor	Poor	Good	Very Good	In Grade	In Trend
Geology & Soils: Superficial Deposits					◐	●
Geology & Soils: Bedrock					◐	●
Landscape					●	◐
Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna: a) Statutory and non-statutory sites					●	●
Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna: b) habitats					●	●
Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna: c) Protected mammal species					●	●
Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna: other species - birds					●	●
Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna: amphibian and reptiles					○	○
Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna: other species - plants					○	○
Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna: other species - lower plants					○	○
Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna: other species - invertebrates, Lepidoptera*					◐	◐
Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna: other species - invertebrates excl Lepidoptera					○	○
Air Quality					●	◐
Water					◐	◐
Climate: Greenhouse Emissions					◐	◐
Climate: Temperature Rainfall					◐	○
Historic Environment					●	●
Population and Health					●	◐
Noise					●	●
Material Assets					◐	◐

\* Moths Very Poor Butterflies Very Good

## Likely evolution of the environment in the absence of the LDP2

- 4.10. The SEA process is also required to assess the likely impact on the environment if the Local Development Plan 2 was not implemented. Future changes to the environmental baseline, in the absence of LDP2, are inevitable due to natural processes but also due to human activities that are not related to the Plan. These are outlined below. It is important to take into account this likely evolution of the environment in the absence of LDP2 as this will help to inform the LDP2. It also helps to recognise the limits of the Plan itself.
- 4.11. Local Development Plans need to be up-to-date in order to comply with the latest policy guidance from national government and reflect the area's actual development pressures and environmental issues. If they are not, then less weight is generally attached to them in decision-making.
- 4.12. In the absence of an updated Local Development Plan (in this instance LDP2), the adopted development plan framework in the East Ayrshire area would be utilised to access and consider development, which was adopted in April 2017 and includes a suite of 20 Supplementary Guidance documents, and 17 non-statutory guidance documents. As outlined above, this would hold less weight than an up-to-date Plan as the presumption in favour of sustainable development as per Scottish Planning Policy would come into force.
- 4.13. Development would continue to take place but would not be monitored and would be less well attuned to the surrounding environment and other strategic objectives and priorities. LDP2 is also an important vehicle for progressing social and economic justice through an overarching vision and environmental protection.
- 4.14. The scenarios outlined below are based on the continuation of the implementation of LDP1 beyond its intended period.

### *Natural Environment*

- 4.15. **Landscape** → The landscape will continue to evolve as a result of human activity, biological processes and climate will continue to alter the landscape, particularly in relation to flooding. Increased levels of sporadic and isolated developments, including inappropriate residential development in the rural area will take place. Without the additional allocation of further appropriate development opportunity sites, greenfield sites may be built on rather than brownfield sites, which will have a detrimental impact on landscape character of settlements and rural areas. Continued pressure for rural development could result in the urbanisation of our rural landscape. Although LDP1 contains a policy framework which protects the natural environment and landscape, development may take place in inappropriate locations or environmentally

sensitive areas, possibly resulting in an unacceptable loss of greenfield areas, areas of ecological importance or significant environmental quality. For example, Local Landscape Areas, where development under LDP1 has eroded the value of this designation. The review of this designation under LDP2 now more appropriately reflects landscape boundaries of value, improving its applicability. Identified vacant and derelict land as well as brownfield sites within existing settlements could be less likely to be developed and this could potentially undermine the opportunity for regeneration and improvement of townscapes which are undergoing significant changes and challenges.

- 4.16. **Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna** → Certain adverse effects on biodiversity could be unchecked and would likely be exacerbated by inappropriate development leading to a loss of areas of importance for nature conservation, biodiversity and prime quality agricultural land. Despite issues relating to the preservation and protection of biodiversity being in place within a range of PPSs, habitats could continue to become fragmented resulting in a loss of species and biodiversity. Ultimately, it is considered that the emerging environmental protection/enhancement needs of East Ayrshire would not be appropriately addressed. There will be less protection for East Ayrshire's natural habitats and other environmentally sensitive areas potentially resulting in unacceptable levels of degradation to landscape and biodiversity. LDP2 strongly embeds principles which aim to tackle the nature crisis and biodiversity loss, in accordance with Draft NPF4, which are somewhat absent within LDP1.
- 4.17. **Climatic factors** → The effects of climate change on the environment, economy and society would be more severely felt and will increase. In recent years, greater levels and rates of flooding have been experienced throughout East Ayrshire, development within flood plains or other inappropriate locations will exacerbate this risk and have a detrimental impact on the local economy, investment and infrastructure. Without a strong policy framework energy efficiency measures and enhanced green and blue infrastructure requirements (natural-flood management solutions) may not be integrated into the design, layout and materials of development proposals. The loss or disturbance of important natural carbon stores could increasingly occur, having cumulative negative impacts on climate and resilience.

### *Natural Resources*

- 4.18. **Soil** → Soil quality is likely to be detrimentally impacted by development, which might not occur if the LDP2 was in place. Development may take place in prime quality agricultural land areas having a detrimental impact on agricultural land quality and provision within the local authority. Development on areas of peat and carbon rich soils or development which includes the disturbance or removal of peat may take place without LDP2 and have detrimental impacts on areas of peat (Class 1, 2 and 5), raised bogs and carbon

rich soils which would increase the carbon emissions of East Ayrshire. Peat and carbon rich soils act as a significant carbon store, as such, this would likely have subsequent impacts on air quality, climate and resilience.

- 4.19. **Air** → Air quality levels may decrease in East Ayrshire. Air quality issues will be prevalent, particularly in urban centres and in locations close to the commuter belts. It is noted that air quality issues are contained within other PPSs, such as regional and local transport strategies. Development would more likely take place on less sustainably located sites such as greenfield land which would increase the dependency of private car usage within East Ayrshire, potentially increasing traffic congestion and greenhouse gas emissions.
- 4.20. **Water** → Adverse impacts on water quality would remain, or be detrimentally affected, in the absence of an updated and more robust policy framework covering flood risk but also blue and green infrastructure requirements. There is the potential that agricultural uses would intensify, which would increasingly impact on the water environment in a detrimental manner through construction and agricultural run-off. There may be an absence of the appropriate flood mitigation measures to suitably address the adverse impacts of developments on the water environment and the impact that this will have on the social environment as well as climate and resilience

#### *Historic Environment*

- 4.21. **Cultural Heritage**→ Whilst the existing impacts and benefits on the historic environment in relation to economic development will remain, the physical and visual condition of the historic environment may deteriorate without an effective and up-to-date policy framework which supports “preservation” and “enhancement” of cultural heritage assets. The reuse of vacant historic properties are less likely to take place, as it is not embedded within the Plan as a Spatial Strategy objective, although there may still be a degree of regeneration of these buildings of historic character. With a lack of focus on the need to reduce levels of vacant and derelict land, listed buildings which are currently sitting vacant and derelict will not be restored which could lead to unsustainable land use management. Therefore, a less proactive approach to the protection of the built heritage would ensue.

#### *Social Environment*

- 4.22. **Health** → Air quality may deteriorate in East Ayrshire, having a significant impact on the health of its residents. Sporadic and periphery development may limit or restrict access to open/green spaces and active travel opportunities. A lack of high quality design could lead to the creation of poor quality places and have a detrimental impact on health and population.

- 4.23. **Population** → The population of East Ayrshire may decrease, with rural settlements becoming increasingly depopulated, while the wider rural landscape becomes increasingly populated in a sporadic manner. Alternatively, the population in high-demand areas such as Stewarton, Dunlop and North West Kilmarnock may increase in an unsustainable manner, where there are significant capacity issues. It is less likely that major residential development would take place in the south of East Ayrshire, if additional sites are not allocated to direct development.
- 4.24. **Material Assets** → The integration of new development within existing developments and infrastructure such as health centres, bus services, transport connections as well as sewers and water treatment infrastructure would be more difficult to achieve effectively. There is a higher demand in certain areas (such as Stewarton) where the existing infrastructure would be unable to cope with this type and level of development. Due to demand, development would become concentrated within these areas, which would lead to the decline of settlements which are located in the more remote areas of East Ayrshire (such as small communities within Doon Valley). Increased levels of sporadic and isolated developments would have a significant impact on infrastructure. Demand for services such as retail and commercial leisure may emerge at the edges or out of town centre locations to the detriment of the vitality of existing town centres. There will be no updated strategic approach to infrastructure or development within challenging settlements, leading to significant infrastructure capacity issues.

## 5. Environmental Assessment

### Scope

5.1. The purpose of the SEA is to assess the likely significant impacts (positive or negative) that LDP2 will have on the environment. The likely environmental effects of implementing the visions, spatial strategy, policies and proposals of LDP2 have been assessed. For the purposes of the assessment, the environment was considered under a number of headings as follows:

- Landscape
- Biodiversity, flora and fauna
- Climatic factors
- Soil
- Water
- Air
- Historic environment (Cultural heritage)
- Human Health
- Population
- Material Assets

5.2. Table 3 provides a summary of the key SEA Objectives with regards to each of the above Environmental Receptors.

**Table 3: SEA Objectives Overview**

Environmental Receptor	SEA Objective(s)
Landscape	Protect, enhance and where appropriate restore landscape, local distinctiveness and areas of value.
Soil & Geology	Protect and improve soil and land resources, such as peat and carbon rich soils, and restore degraded habitats.
	Reduce contamination and safeguard soil quality and quantity
	Where appropriate, use soil resources in a sustainable manner.
Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna	Conserve and enhance local biodiversity, including both statutory and locally important designations.
	Protect species through the retention of habitats and connectivity.

Water Quality	Manage and reduce flood risk and safeguard the water environment from deterioration and where possible enhance water quality.
Air Quality	Prevent deterioration and where possible enhance air quality.
Climatic Factors	Contribute towards the reduction of Scottish greenhouse gas outputs in line with government targets for net zero.
	Improve East Ayrshire's resilience to a changing climate within new developments and established areas.
Historic Environment	Protect and enhance the historic built and natural environment
Human Health	Promote and improve health of the human population through the creation of good quality places with resilience and safe communities.
Population	Ensure development is sustainably located and integrated into existing networks and maximise opportunities for rural populations.
Material Assets	Promote the sustainable use of natural resources, material assets and enhance recreational provisions.

### **Environmental characteristics likely be significantly affected**

The LDP2 is likely to significantly impact on all of these environmental receptors. The analysis of the baseline information undertaken in Stage 1 indicates that the LDP2 is likely to have more significant effects on certain areas of the environmental receptors than others. Table 4 provides a general overview of the specific aspects that may potentially and significantly be affected by the LDP2. In general terms, it is considered that LDP2 will have an overall positive/negative impact on the environment of East Ayrshire.

- 5.3. The assessment of our vision, spatial strategy, policies and proposals can be viewed in *Appendix 7: Stage 1 Assessment Tables*.

**Table 4:** Summary and Overview of Environmental characteristic affected by LDP2 at Stage 1 of the Assessment process

<b>Environmental Topic</b>	<b>Summary of the potential, significant impacts by LDP2 on Environmental Receptor</b>	<b>Likely to be generally positive or negative?</b>
<b>Natural Environment</b>		
<b>Landscape</b>	Ensure that future developments respect the landscape character of East Ayrshire (including wind energy and opencast coal extraction) and do not have a detrimental impact.	Neutral
	Ensure that new developments are designed to a high-standard, sensitive and contribute positively to the character of our urban and rural landscape.	Significant Positive / Negative
<b>Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna</b>	Ensure that internationally, nationally and locally designated sites, habitats and priority species are protected and that future development does not result in or contribute towards the fragmentation of these sites.	Significant Positive / Negative
	Enhance biodiversity and habitat connectivity	Significant Positive
<b>Climatic factors</b>	In accordance with other PPS's, LDP2 will support and promote development contributing towards the reduction of greenhouse gases in order to meet national climate change targets.	Significant Positive / Negative
	Support and contribute towards improving East Ayrshire's resilience to climate change.	Significant Positive / Negative
	Will encourage sustainability through use of materials, construction methods, renewables and by locating developments near existing public transport routes.	Neutral
<b>Natural Resources</b>		
<b>Soil</b>	Contribute to reducing the levels of vacant and derelict land, including contaminated land, and unrestored opencast coal sites by encouraging the re-use, restoration and redevelopment of such land will be supported by LDP2.	Significant Positive / Negative
	LDP2 will protect, and where possible enhance valuable soils such as peat and carbon rich soils and safeguard prime agricultural land.	Significant Positive / Negative
<b>Air</b>	Enhance the existing air quality of East Ayrshire and promote sustainable modes of transportation as well as active travel.	Neutral
<b>Water</b>	The LDP2 will not support development which is likely to have a significant probability of being affected by flooding. The LDP2 will focus on mitigation and protection.	Significant Positive / Negative

	Prevent developments which will have an adverse effect on water quality, ecology and overall conditioning.	<b>Significant Positive / Negative</b>
<b>Historic Environment</b>		
<b>Listed Buildings</b>	Protect the historic character of listed buildings and where possible, seek improvement, promote the reuse of vacant listed buildings contributing to good placemaking and sustainability.	<b>Positive</b>
<b>Conservation Areas</b>	Protect conservation areas from inappropriate development or alterations that will impact upon any listed building or conservation areas located with or adjacent to the EAC boundary.	<b>Significant Positive / Negative</b>
<b>Scheduled Monuments</b>	Prevent any significantly detrimental impacts on Scheduled Monuments.	<b>Neutral</b>
<b>Archaeological Sites</b>	The plan will protect archaeological sites and resources within the area.	<b>Neutral</b>
<b>Gardens and Designed Landscapes</b>	Protect gardens and designed landscapes from inappropriate development that will have a direct or indirect impact and where possible enhance their condition.	<b>Positive</b>
<b>Historic Battlefields</b>	Protect East Ayrshire's historic battlefield from inappropriate development that will have a direct or indirect impact.	<b>Neutral</b>
<b>Social Environment</b>		
<b>Health</b>	Encourage new developments to provide walking and cycling networks that interlink with existing networks enhancing connectivity and accessibility.	<b>Significant Positive / Negative</b>
	Encourage the enhancement of green and blue networks, contributing to the CSGN aspirations, increasing connectivity.	<b>Positive</b>
<b>Population</b>	Encourage developments to be sustainably located, as such services, employment, education and recreational uses will be widely accessible.	<b>Significant Positive / Negative</b>
<b>Material Assets (infrastructure, amenity and recreational open areas)</b>	Encourage and ensure that developments are sustainably located across East Ayrshire.	<b>Significant Positive / Negative</b>
	Ensure that existing assets, such as green and blue infrastructure (amenity recreational open spaces and play provision) are safeguarded, and that new development contributes to the expansion of this provision.	<b>Positive</b>
	Ensure that there is capacity within existing infrastructure for further development	<b>Neutral</b>

### *Gaps and/or unreliability of the Environmental Baseline Data*

- 5.4. Gaps in or unreliability of the environmental baseline data have not yet been identified. A significant portion of the baseline data is retained within the Council's GIS system, which has aided in the assessment of the impacts of policies, proposals and sites. Where the assessment of impacts are uncertain, this will be identified and highlighted within the Environmental Report.
- 5.5. The Environmental Report for LDP2 relates to the high-level nature of the document. As the objectives are set at a high level, it sometimes proved difficult to precisely identify what the significant environmental impacts were likely to be, due to the fact that they are aspirational, quite wide ranging and in certain circumstances not site specific. Therefore, certain assumptions were used, especially when the objective may lead to future development, to allow the assessment of the objectives to be undertaken. Where applicable, assumptions have been explained in order to aid transparency.

### **Alternatives**

- 5.6. At the Main Issues Report stage, the LDP2 MIR included a number of different issues relevant to future development within East Ayrshire. For a number of issues the Council indicated not only a preferred option, but also provided one or more reasonable alternatives. This enabled an assessment of the potential impacts of all alternatives to be made. As this current stage represents the Proposed Plan stage, and as such, the Council's settled view, no reasonable alternatives are presented.
- 5.7. The assessment outcomes of sites submitted to the Planning Authority which have not been included as development opportunity sites or proposals within LDP2 are not provided within this Environmental Report.

## 6. SEA Approach and Assessment Methodology

6.1. The Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005, requires the Environmental Report to assess and evaluate the likely significant (positive or negative) impacts that the Proposed Plan will have on the environment. Schedule 3 of the Act, requires that the Proposed Plan be assessed against a number of environmental receptors. The Council has grouped and defined aspects of the environment into four broad environmental receptors headings, which formed the basis for Stage 1 of the SEA assessment methodology. These are shown in Table 5 below.

Environmental Topic	Receptors
Natural Features	Landscape Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna Climatic factors
Natural Resources	Soil Air Water (including surface water, groundwater and GWDTE)
Historic Environment	Listed Buildings Conservation Areas Scheduled Monuments Archaeological Sites Gardens and Designed Landscapes Historic Battlefields
Social Environment	Health Population Material Assets (infrastructure, amenity and recreational open space i.e. parks etc.)

**Table 5:** Environmental Topics and Associated Receptors

6.2. The Proposed Plan is likely to significantly impact on all of these environmental receptors. Therefore, these receptors provide the context for, and are directly related to, the development of the SEA Objectives and the Sub-Criteria/Questions to be used in the assessment process.

6.3. The proposed assessment methodology has an overall objective to ***“protect and, where appropriate, enhance the environment”***.

6.4. It is central to SEA, that the assessment process and reporting of the findings are unbiased, robust, objective, transparent and ultimately easy to understand.

6.5. The assessment will focus on the vision, spatial strategy, policies, proposals and sites. Only significant impacts will be assessed, which will be identified

through Stage 1 of the assessment process. Stage 2 analyses the identified significant impacts in more detail. Both stages of the assessment will be undertaken to ensure that the assessment is accurate, robust and unbiased. The assessment will be undertaken in parallel with the plan preparation process. For non-site-specific aspects of the plan (vision, aims, spatial strategy policies and non-site-specific proposals), the Council will use the matrixes listed below and will ensure that the information is clear and easy to interpret.

### **Reasonable Alternatives**

- 6.6. The Main Issues Report set out the major planning issues facing East Ayrshire and put forward the Council's preferred option, as well as, one or more alternatives as to how these would be tackled in the Local Development Plan 2. A public consultation process was undertaken whereby a wide range of stakeholder and public views were sought on these issues. The Planning Authority were operating under unforeseen and unprecedented circumstances between 2019-2022 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. As such, consultation was limited to electronic means. A total of 297 representations were received in response to the consultation. The LDP2 has taken full account of responses received, as well as, updated national policy and guidance. Policy alternatives are limited due to the need to comply with national policy and other relevant PPSs (as outlined in Appendix 3).

#### **Submission of potential sites for consideration:**

- 6.7. Prior to the preparation of the LDP2 Main Issues Report, a 'Call for Priorities, Issues and Proposals' consultation was carried out between July 2017 and November 2018. This was an early opportunity for members of the public and interested parties to provide views on what the priorities of the Plan should be and what issues it needed to address. A number of sites were submitted to the Council for consideration and potential inclusion in LDP2 as part of the consultation. All sites submitted and associated details were set out as a main issue in the Main Issues Report and views were sought on these sites as part of the MIR consultation. In addition, all sites were assessed as part of the strategic environmental assessment process and assessment outcomes set out in the Interim Environmental Report.
- 6.8. It was considered that circumstances were likely to have changed since the Call was made back in 2017. Therefore a further opportunity was offered to developers and landowners in November 2020 to submit sites that they wished to be included as potential development opportunities for housing or other land uses in LDP2. A number of new sites were submitted at this consultation stage. Any sites submitted were assessed as part of the strategic environmental assessment process and those sites taken forwards included in

the Proposed LDP2 and their assessment outcomes set out in the Environmental Report associated with the Proposed LDP2.

- 6.9. During the consultation period for the Proposed Plan (23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 to 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2022) a number of representees submitted further sites for consideration. These were addressed within the Schedule 4 responses prepared by the Council.

### Stage 1 – Assessment of Significance

- 6.10. The first stage involves using Matrix 1, below, and the constraints shown on the Council’s GIS system as a sifting tool to identify significant impacts on the grouped environmental topics and receptors as described in Table 5. The judgement on what is considered to be a significant impact is based on the following:

- Scale of the impact (geographic area and likely effects on the surrounding population);
- Duration of the impact (short, medium or long term);
- Reversibility of the impact;
- Environmental Sensitivities and constraints of the area;
- Environmental value of the area;
- Potential for significant cumulative/synergistic impacts.

- 6.11. The SEA objectives and the constraints shown on the Council’s GIS system have been used to determine whether the identified impact is significant or not, using the baseline environmental data that has been collected and taking into account the existing environmental issues and problems. If the vision/strategy/policy/proposal or site is considered to not have a significant environmental impact then no further assessment has been undertaken. All identified significant environmental impacts have been subject to further assessment under Stage 2.

Environmental Topics	What is the Environmental Impact?	Significance of Impact (Y/N/Unsure) Why? If no, could the impact become a significant cumulative or synergistic impact (y/n) why?
Natural Features		
Natural Resources		
Historic Environment		
Social Environment		

**Matrix 1:** Stage 1 Assessment Matrix

## Stage 2 – Detailed Assessment

6.12. Stage 2 analyses and assesses the identified significant impacts in greater detail using Matrix 2 (below). The sub-criteria/questions have been used to provide a more detailed assessment which will identify what the significant environmental impacts are in relation to each of the individual environmental components screened into the assessment. The Stage 2 assessment also looks at short, medium and long term environmental impacts and provides proposals to monitor significant impacts. Each box is colour coded to indicate whether the impact is significant positive, significant positive/negative, significant negative or neutral/unknown to aid comprehension of the assessment results. This is shown in the “Environmental Impact: Key” below.

<b>Environment Impact: Key</b>	Significant Positive	Significant Positive/Negative	Significant Negative	Neutral/Unknown
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Environmental Topic	Component	Analysis of the Significant Environmental Impact	Mitigation/ Enhancement & Likely Impacts
Natural Features	Landscape	<i>Commentary to be provided in this column. Text will be colour coded depending on assessment outcome</i>	<i>Commentary to be provided in this column. Text will be colour coded depending on assessment outcome</i>
	Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna		
	Climate		
Natural Resources	Soil		
	Air		
	Water		
Historic Environment	Listed Buildings		
	Conservation Areas		
	Archaeological Sites/Areas		
	Gardens and Designed Landscapes		
	Scheduled Monuments		
Social Environment	Historic Battlefields		
	Population		
	Health		
Short, Medium or Long Term Impact	Material Assets		
	<i>Commentary to be provided in this column. Text will be colour coded depending on assessment outcome</i>		

**Matrix 2** – Stage 2: Detailed Assessment

## **Stage 2 – Site Proforma Assessment Sheet**

- 6.13. All sites or proposals which have an assigned boundary and are allocated within LDP2 have been assessed using the same method as outlined within Matrix 2 – Stage 2: Detailed Assessment, only this is laid out in a different format. Utilising the Site Assessment Proforma suggested by Nature Scot during the Scoping Report Consultation (shown in Appendix 9), an amended Site Proforma has been used to determine environmental impacts. This can be viewed in Appendix 10. Where fields have been removed, the questions contained within them have been incorporated into the SEA Objectives and Sub-Criteria/Questions (Appendix 5).

## **SEA Objectives and Sub-Criteria/Questions**

- 6.14. The proposed overall SEA objectives for each environmental assessment scoped into the assessment are illustrated in Appendix 5. To aid the overall SEA objectives, SEA sub-criteria/questions, which are mentioned in the assessment methodology above, have been devised to provide a more detailed assessment of the vision/strategy/policy/proposal or sites which are considered to be significant as a result of the stage 1 assessment. The objectives and sub-criteria/questions are fully compliant with the requirements of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 and are shown in Appendix 5.

## **Cumulative and Synergistic Assessments**

- 6.15. The Stage 2 assessments also assess the vision/aim/policy/allocation/proposal for cumulative and synergistic impacts. Where there are potential cumulative or synergistic impacts on neighbouring local authority areas, these have been assessed using the assessment methodology above and clearly noted within the Environmental Report.
- 6.16. Following the assessment of the vision, spatial strategy, policies, proposals and sites, they have been grouped under their overall topic headings. These have been assessed for significant cumulative and synergistic impacts on various environmental components using Matrix 3 below:

Environment Impact: Key	Significant Positive	Significant Positive/Negative	Significant Negative	Neutral/Unknown
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Policy / Proposal / Site	Geology & Soil	Landscape	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Air	Water	Climate	Cultural Heritage	Population & Human Health	Material Assets	Cumulative Impact
Spatial Strategy X										
Policy A										
Policy B										
Proposal /Site x										

### Matrix 3: Cumulative and Synergistic Impact Assessment

- 6.17. Each box has been colour coded to represent if the cumulative or synergistic impact is significant positive, significant positive/negative or significant negative or neutral unknown.

## 7. Assessment Results

- 7.1. This section provides a summary of the Stage 1 and Stage 2 assessment results of the LDP2 in terms of its vision, aims, Spatial Strategy, Proposals and opportunity sites.
- 7.2. As outlined above, all development opportunity sites and proposals have been subject to assessment, with the exception of sites which are being safeguarded for their existing use. These were screened out at Stage 1 assessment.

### Stage 1 Assessment Outcomes

- 7.3. In accordance with the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005, East Ayrshire Council has considered whether the environmental effects (positive or negative) of LDP2 are likely to be significant. As such, the environmental implications of LDP2 have been considered in terms of whether they will protect, enhance, minimise, reduce, harm or maintain existing status across all SEA topics. Which items have been assessed at Stage 1 and Stage 2 can be viewed in Table 6. The outcomes for each environmental receptor are summarised below in Table 7.

## **Stage 2 Assessment Outcomes**

- 7.4. The outcomes for each Aim, Policy and Proposal which were assessed at Stage 2 can be viewed are summarised Table 8. Table 8 also illustrates the likely environmental impacts following the implementation of the mitigation measures, as laid out within the Stage 2 Assessment Tables (Appendix 8).
- 7.5. The likely environmental impacts on each receptor for LDP2s development opportunity sites can be viewed in Table 9.

**Table 6:** Policies and Proposals Screened into Stage 2 Assessment

Policy	Assessed in Stage 1	Screened into Stage 2 Assessment
<b>Vision &amp; Aims</b>		
<b>Vision:</b> Vision Statement	Yes	No
<b>Aim 1:</b> Reduce the effects of climate change and contribute to net zero targets.	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 2:</b> Create good quality and accessible places, which support the health and wellbeing of all our citizens	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 3:</b> Stabilise East Ayrshire's population and stimulate population growth	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 4:</b> Secure the provision of good quality housing to meet a wide range of needs, across all of East Ayrshire	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 5:</b> Deliver new and improved infrastructure, including green and digital infrastructure, to assist in access to employment opportunities	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 6:</b> Deliver economic recovery and growth in a sustainable and inclusive manner and ensure there is access to employment opportunities	Yes	No
<b>Aim 7:</b> Protect, enhance and capitalise on East Ayrshire's historic environment and cultural assets	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 8:</b> Protect and enhance East Ayrshire's diverse natural environment and habitats and help tackle the nature crisis	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 9:</b> Increase tourism opportunities, in particular those that protect, enhance and increase understand of East Ayrshire's rich biodiversity, landscape, history and cultural heritage	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 10:</b> Recognise the changing face of retail whilst promoting our town centres as places where all members of the community can meet, work or be entertained	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 11:</b> Safeguard workable resources of economic or conservation value	Yes	No
<b>Spatial Strategy</b>		
<b>SS1:</b> Climate Change	Yes	Yes
<b>SS2:</b> Overarching Policy	Yes	Yes
<b>SS3:</b> Central Scotland Green Network	Yes	Yes
<b>SS4:</b> Development of Vacant and Derelict Land	Yes	Yes
<b>SS5:</b> Coalfield Communities Landscape Partnership	Yes	Yes
<b>SS6:</b> Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere	Yes	No
<b>PROP 1:</b> South Central Kilmarnock	Yes	No
<b>SS7:</b> Development in South Central Kilmarnock	Yes	Yes
<b>SS8:</b> Ayrshire Growth Deal	Yes	No
<b>SS9:</b> Community Wealth Building	Yes	No
<b>SS10:</b> Skills and Employment	Yes	No
<b>PROP2:</b> Park & Ride at West Fenwick	Yes	Yes
<b>PROP3:</b> Park and ride at Glasgow Road, Kilmarnock	Yes	Yes
<b>PROP4:</b> Improvements to Bellfield Interchange and East	Yes	No
<b>PROP5:</b> Our Energy Masterplan	Yes	No
<b>PROP6:</b> Our Local Heat & Energy Efficiency Strategy	Yes	No
<b>SS11:</b> Making Space in Settlements for Green Energy	Yes	Yes
<b>SS12:</b> Woodland Creation	Yes	Yes
<b>Place &amp; Environment – Urban Design and Placemaking</b>		
<b>DES1:</b> Development Design	Yes	Yes
<b>LPP1:</b> Preparation of Local Place Plans	Yes	No
<b>LPP2:</b> Development within a Local Place Plan Area	Yes	Yes
<b>OS1:</b> Green and Blue Infrastructure	Yes	Yes

Policy	Assessed in Stage 1	Screened into Stage 2 Assessment
<b>OS2:</b> Safeguarded Open Space	Yes	Yes
<b>PLAY1:</b> Play Provision	Yes	Yes
<b>PROP7:</b> Play Sufficiency Assessment	Yes	No
<b>PLAY2:</b> Loss of Play Equipment and Outdoor Sports Facilities	Yes	Yes
<b>Place &amp; Environment – Historic Environment</b>		
<b>HE1:</b> Listed Buildings	Yes	Yes
<b>HE2:</b> Conservation Areas	Yes	Yes
<b>HE3:</b> Scheduled Monuments, Historic Battlefields and other Archaeological and Historic Environment Assets	Yes	Yes
<b>HE4:</b> Gardens and Designed Landscapes	Yes	Yes
<b>HE5:</b> Enabling Development	Yes	Yes
<b>Place &amp; Environment – Natural Environment</b>		
<b>NE1:</b> Protecting and Enhancing Landscape and Features	Yes	Yes
<b>NE2:</b> Development Impacts on Areas of Wild Land	Yes	Yes
<b>NE3:</b> Local Landscape Area	Yes	Yes
<b>NE4:</b> Nature Crisis	Yes	Yes
<b>NE5:</b> Protection of Areas of Nature Conservation Interest	Yes	Yes
<b>NE6:</b> Vulnerable, Threatened and Protected Species	Yes	Yes
<b>NE7:</b> Geodiversity and Geological Interest	Yes	Yes
<b>NE8:</b> Trees, Woodland, Forestry and Hedgerows	Yes	Yes
<b>NE9:</b> Woodland Creation	Yes	Yes
<b>NE10:</b> Protection of Agricultural Land	Yes	Yes
<b>NE11:</b> Soils	Yes	Yes
<b>NE12:</b> Water, Air, Light and Noise Pollution	Yes	Yes
<b>NE13:</b> Contaminated Land	Yes	Yes
<b>Communities and Housing - Housing</b>		
<b>RES1:</b> New Housing Developments	Yes	Yes
<b>RES2:</b> Affordable Housing	Yes	No
<b>RES3:</b> Residential Amenity	Yes	No
<b>RES4:</b> Compact Growth	Yes	Yes
<b>RES5:</b> Conversions to Residential Use	Yes	No
<b>RES6:</b> Gypsy Travellers' Sites	Yes	Yes
<b>RES7:</b> Non-Permanent Dwellings	Yes	No
<b>Communities and Housing – Rural Housing</b>		
<b>RH1:</b> Housing in the Rural Protection Area	Yes	Yes
<b>RH2:</b> Housing in the Rural Diversification Area	Yes	Yes
<b>RH3:</b> Rural Housing Clusters	Yes	Yes
<b>RH4:</b> Housing for Agricultural Workers and Other Rural Enterprises	Yes	No
<b>RH5:</b> Rural Housing Development	Yes	Yes
<b>Economy and Employment – Town Centres</b>		
<b>TC1:</b> Supporting Development in Centres	Yes	Yes
<b>TC2:</b> Town Centre First Assessment	Yes	Yes
<b>TC3:</b> Small scale retail development in out-of-centre locations	Yes	Yes
<b>TC4:</b> Town Centre Living	Yes	Yes

Policy	Assessed in Stage 1	Screened into Stage 2 Assessment
<b>TC5:</b> Residential Amenity in Town Centres	Yes	No
<b>Economy and Employment – Business and Industry</b>		
<b>IND1:</b> Business and Industrial Development	Yes	No
<b>IND2:</b> Business and Industrial Development in Rural Areas	Yes	Yes
<b>IND3:</b> Alternative Use of Business and Industrial Land or Premises	Yes	No
<b>IND4:</b> Working from Home	Yes	No
<b>Economy and Employment – Tourism</b>		
<b>TOUR1:</b> Tourism Development	Yes	Yes
<b>TOUR2:</b> Tourism Accommodation	Yes	No
<b>TOUR3:</b> Rural Sporting, Leisure and Recreational Activities	Yes	No
<b>TOUR4:</b> The Dark Sky Park	Yes	No
<b>TOUR5:</b> Loss of Tourist Facilities	Yes	No
<b>TOUR6:</b> Loudoun Castle Estate Garden and Designed Landscape	Yes	Yes
<b>Infrastructure – Digital Infrastructure</b>		
<b>INF1:</b> Infrastructure First	Yes	No
<b>INF2:</b> Installation of Fibre Broadband for New Developments	Yes	No
<b>INF3:</b> Installation of Digital Communications Infrastructure	Yes	Yes
<b>Infrastructure – Developer Contributions</b>		
<b>INF4:</b> Developer Contributions	Yes	No
<b>Infrastructure – Promoting Sustainable Transport</b>		
<b>T1:</b> Transport requirement in new development	Yes	Yes
<b>T2:</b> 20-Minute Neighbourhoods	Yes	Yes
<b>T3:</b> Transportation of Freight	Yes	Yes
<b>T4:</b> Development and protection of core paths and other routes	Yes	Yes
<b>T5:</b> Charging Infrastructure for electric vehicles	Yes	Yes
<b>Energy and Resources – Supporting Renewable Energy</b>		
<b>RE1:</b> Renewable Energy	Yes	Yes
<b>RE2:</b> Heat and Cooling	Yes	Yes
<b>RE3:</b> Low and Zero Carbon Buildings	Yes	Yes
<b>Energy and Resources – Minerals</b>		
<b>MIN1:</b> Sterilisation of Workable Minerals Resources	Yes	No
<b>MIN2:</b> Extraction of Minerals	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN3:</b> Minerals Restoration and Placemaking	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN4:</b> Protecting Communities	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN5:</b> Protecting Residential Amenity	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN6:</b> Duration of Extraction Period	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN7:</b> Borrow pits	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN8:</b> Reworking of Waste Spoils Tips	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN9:</b> Extraction of Secondary Aggregates	Yes	Yes
<b>Energy and Resources – Sustainable Waste Management</b>		
<b>WM1:</b> Waste Management in New Development	Yes	Yes
<b>WM2:</b> Development & the Circular Economy	Yes	Yes
<b>WM3:</b> Waste Management Facilities	Yes	Yes

<b>WM4:</b> Recovery of Energy from Waste	Yes	Yes
<b>Policy</b>	<b>Assessed in Stage 1</b>	<b>Screened into Stage 2 Assessment</b>
<b>Financial Guarantees</b>		
<b>FIN1:</b> Financial Guarantees	Yes	No
<b>Climate Resilience</b>		
<b>CR1:</b> Flood Risk Management	Yes	Yes
<b>CR2:</b> Emissions	Yes	No
<b>CR3:</b> Carbon Sequestration	Yes	Yes

**Table 7: Summary of Stage 1 Outcomes**

Policy	Natural Features: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)			Natural Resources: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)			Historic Environment: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)					Social Environment: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)			
	Landscape	Biodiversity Flora and Fauna	Climate	Soil	Air	Water	Listed Buildings	Conservation Area	Scheduled Monuments	Gardens and Designed Landscapes	Archaeological sites/areas	Historic Battlefields	Health	Population	Material Assets
<b>Vision &amp; Aims</b>															
<b>Vision:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Aim 1</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 2</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 3</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 4</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 5</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 6</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Aim 7</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 8</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes
<b>Aim 9</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 10</b>	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Aim 11</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

	Landscape	Biodiversity Flora and Fauna	Climate	Soil	Air	Water	Listed Buildings	Conservation Area	Scheduled Monuments	Gardens and Designed Landscapes	Archaeological sites/areas	Historic Battlefields	Health	Population	Material Assets
<b>Spatial Strategy</b>															
<b>SS1:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>SS2:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>SS3:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>SS4:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
<b>SS5:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>SS6:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>PROP1:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>SS7:</b>	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>SS8:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>SS9:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>SS10:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>PROP2:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>PROP3:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>PROP4:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>PROP5:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>PROP6:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

Policy	Natural Features: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)			Natural Resources: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)			Historic Environment: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)					Social Environment: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)			
	Landscape	Biodiversity Flora and Fauna	Climate	Soil	Air	Water	Listed Buildings	Conservation Area	Scheduled Monuments	Gardens and Designed Landscapes	Archaeological sites/areas	Historic Battlefields	Health	Population	Material Assets
<b>SS11:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>SS12:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Place &amp; Environment – Urban Design and Placemaking</b>															
<b>DES1:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>LPP1:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>LPP2:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>OS1:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>OS2:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>PLAY1:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>PLAY2:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>PROP7:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Place &amp; Environment – Historic Environment</b>															
<b>HE1:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
<b>HE2:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>HE3:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No

Policy	Natural Features: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)			Natural Resources: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)				Historic Environment: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)					Social Environment: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)		
	Landscape	Biodiversity Flora and Fauna	Climate	Soil	Air	Water	Listed Buildings	Conservation Area	Scheduled Monuments	Gardens and Designed Landscapes	Archaeological sites/areas	Historic Battlefields	Health	Population	Material Assets
<b>HE4:</b>	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
<b>HE5:</b>	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Place &amp; Environment – Natural Environment</b>															
<b>NE1:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>NE2:</b>	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
<b>NE3:</b>	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>NE4:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
<b>NE5:</b>	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>NE6:</b>	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>NE7:</b>	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
<b>NE8:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>NE9:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>NE10:</b>	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>NE11:</b>	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
<b>NE12:</b>	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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	Landscape	Biodiversity Flora and Fauna	Climate	Soil	Air	Water	Listed Buildings	Conservation Area	Scheduled Monuments	Gardens and Designed Landscapes	Archaeological sites/areas	Historic Battlefields	Health	Population	Material Assets
<b>NE13:</b>	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
<b>Communities and Housing - Housing</b>															
<b>RES1:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
<b>RES2:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>RES3:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>RES4:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>RES5:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>RES6:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
<b>RES7:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Communities and Housing – Rural Housing</b>															
<b>RH1:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
<b>RH2:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
<b>RH3:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>RH4:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>RH5:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

Policy	Natural Features: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)			Natural Resources: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)				Historic Environment: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)				Social Environment: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)			
	Landscape	Biodiversity Flora and Fauna	Climate	Soil	Air	Water	Listed Buildings	Conservation Area	Scheduled Monuments	Gardens and Designed Landscapes	Archaeological sites/areas	Historic Battlefields	Health	Population	Material Assets
<b>Economy and Employment – Town Centres</b>															
<b>TC1:</b>	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>TC2:</b>	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
<b>TC3:</b>	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>TC4:</b>	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>TC5:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Economy and Employment – Business and Industry</b>															
<b>IND1:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>IND2:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>IND3:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>IND4:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Economy and Employment – Tourism</b>															
<b>TOUR1:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>TOUR2:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>TOUR3:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No

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	Landscape	Biodiversity Flora and Fauna	Climate	Soil	Air	Water	Listed Buildings	Conservation Area	Scheduled Monuments	Gardens and Designed Landscapes	Archaeological sites/areas	Historic Battlefields	Health	Population	Material Assets
<b>TOUR4:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>TOUR5:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>TOUR6:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Infrastructure – Digital Infrastructure</b>															
<b>INF1:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>INF2:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>INF3:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
<b>Infrastructure – Developer Contributions</b>															
<b>INF4:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Infrastructure – Promoting Sustainable Transport</b>															
<b>T1:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>T2:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>T3:</b>	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes
<b>T4:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
<b>T5:</b>	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes

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	Landscape	Biodiversity Flora and Fauna	Climate	Soil	Air	Water	Listed Buildings	Conservation Area	Scheduled Monuments	Gardens and Designed Landscapes	Archaeological sites/areas	Historic Battlefields	Health	Population	Material Assets
<b>Energy and Resources – Supporting Renewable Energy</b>															
<b>RE1:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
<b>RE2:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	No	No
<b>RE3:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Energy and Resources – Minerals</b>															
<b>MIN1:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>MIN2:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN3:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN4:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN5:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN6:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN7:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN8:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>MIN9:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

Policy	Natural Features: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)			Natural Resources: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)				Historic Environment: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)					Social Environment: Stage 2 Assessment (yes/no)		
	Landscape	Biodiversity Flora and Fauna	Climate	Soil	Air	Water	Listed Buildings	Conservation Area	Scheduled Monuments	Gardens and Designed Landscapes	Archaeological sites/areas	Historic Battlefields	Health	Population	Material Assets
<b>Energy and Resources – Sustainable Waste Management</b>															
<b>WM1:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
<b>WM2:</b>	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
<b>WM3:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
<b>WM4:</b>				Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
<b>Financial Guarantees</b>															
<b>FIN1:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>Climate Resilience</b>															
<b>CR1:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>CR2:</b>	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
<b>CR3:</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**Table 8 – Summary of Stage 2 Outcomes**

Stage 2 Assessment Key:		Significant Positive		Significant Positive/Negative		Significant Negative		Unknown / Neutral		Screened out at Stage 1:			
Policy		Landscape & Geology	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Health	Population	Material Assets	Cumulative Impacts	
Vision & Aims													
<b>Aim 1:</b> Reduce the effects of climate change and contribute to net zero targets.	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	N/A
<b>Aim 2:</b> Create good quality and accessible places, which support the health and wellbeing of all our citizens	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Unknown	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Unknown	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Unknown	Unknown	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive
<b>Aim 3:</b> Stabilise East Ayrshire's population and stimulate population growth	Original Assessment	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Negative	Unknown	Significant Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative
<b>Aim 4:</b> Secure the provision of good quality housing to meet a wide range of needs, across all of East Ayrshire	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Unknown	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Unknown	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Unknown	Unknown	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive
<b>Aim 5:</b> Deliver new and improved infrastructure, including green and digital infrastructure, to assist in access to employment opportunities	Original Assessment	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Unknown	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative
<b>Aim 7:</b> Protect, enhance and capitalise on East Ayrshire's historic environment and cultural assets	Original Assessment	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Unknown	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Unknown
<b>Aim 8:</b> Protect and enhance East Ayrshire's diverse natural environment and habitats and help tackle the nature crisis	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral

Policy		Landscape & Geology	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Health	Population	Material Assets	Cumulative Impacts
<b>Aim 9:</b> Increase tourism opportunities, in particular those that protect, enhance and increase understand of East Ayrshire's rich biodiversity, landscape, history and cultural heritage	Original Assessment	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Unknown	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral
<b>Aim 10:</b> Recognise the changing face of retail whilst promoting our town centres as places where all members of the community can meet, work or be entertained	Original Assessment		Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Screened out at Stage 1	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Unknown	Neutral	Unknown	Unknown	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Unknown
<b>Spatial Strategy</b>												
<b>SS1:</b> Climate Change	Original Assessment	Neutral	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Neutral	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive/Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive
<b>SS2:</b> Overarching Policy	Original Assessment	Neutral	Neutral	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Neutral	Significant Positive/Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive/Negative	Significant Positive/ Negative
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
<b>SS3:</b> Central Scotland Green Network	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive		Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out at Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
<b>SS4:</b> Development of Vacant and Derelict Land	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown		Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral	Screened out at Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive
<b>SS5:</b> Coalfield Communities Landscape Partnership	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive			Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out at Stage 1	Screened out at Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive

Policy		Landscape & Geology	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Health	Population	Material Assets	Cumulative Impacts
<b>SS7:</b> Development in South Central Kilmarnock (PROP1)	Original Assessment	Unknown		Significant Positive/Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive/Negative	Significant Negative	Unknown	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive/Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive/Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive/Negative	Significant Positive/Negative	Unknown	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive/Negative
<b>PROP2:</b> Park & Ride at West Fenwick	Original Assessment	Significant Negative	Significant Negative	Significant Positive/Negative	Significant Positive/Negative	Significant Positive	Neutral		Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive/Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive/Negative	Significant Positive/Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive/Negative
<b>PROP3:</b> Park and ride at Glasgow Road, Kilmarnock	Original Assessment			Significant Positive	Significant Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Negative		Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral
<b>SS11:</b> Making Space in Settlements for Green Energy	Original Assessment	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
<b>SS12:</b> Strategic Woodland Creation	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Neutral	Neutral	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Unknown	Unknown	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive
<b>Place &amp; Environment – Urban Design and Placemaking</b>												
<b>DES1:</b> Development Design	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Neutral	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive			
<b>LPP2:</b> Development within a Local Place Plan area	Original Assessment	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
<b>OS1:</b> Green and Blue Infrastructure	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive			Significant Positive		Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
<b>OS2:</b> Safeguarded Open Space	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive					Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
<b>PLAY1:</b> Play Provision	Original Assessment	Neutral	Significant Positive	Neutral			Neutral		Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement

Policy		Landscape & Geology	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Health	Population	Material Assets	Cumulative Impacts
PLAY2: Loss of Play Equipment and Outdoor Sports Facilities	Original Assessment								Neutral		Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
<b>Place &amp; Environment – Historic Environment</b>												
HE1: Listed Buildings	Original Assessment								Significant Positive / Negative			Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1
HE2: Conservation Areas	Original Assessment								Significant Positive			Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1
HE3: Scheduled Monuments, Historic Battlefields and other Archaeological and Historic Environment Assets	Original Assessment	Significant Positive							Significant Positive			Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1
HE4: Gardens and Designed Landscapes	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive						Significant Positive			Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1				
HE5: Enabling Development	Original Assessment	Significant Positive							Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive / Negative	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
<b>Place &amp; Environment – Natural Environment</b>												
NE1: Protecting and Enhancing Landscape and Features	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
NE2: Development Impacts on Areas of Wild Land	Original Assessment	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative								Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement					
NE3: Local Landscape Area	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive									Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement					

Policy		Landscape & Geology	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Health	Population	Material Assets	Cumulative Impacts
NE4: Nature Crisis	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown		Significant Positive		Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive
NE5: Protection of Areas of Nature Conservation Interest	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive				Significant Positive					Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement
NE6: Vulnerable, Threatened and Protected Species	Original Assessment		Significant Positive									Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement			
NE7: Geodiversity and Geological Interest	Original Assessment	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative								Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive / Negative			
NE8: Trees, Woodland, Forestry and Hedgerows	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive					Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
NE9: Woodland Creation	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Neutral	Unknown / Neutral	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
NE10: Protection of Agricultural Land	Original Assessment	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral		Significant Positive / Negative							Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive / Negative
NE11: Soils	Original Assessment	Significant Positive / Negative		Significant Positive / Negative				Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative			
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Unknown	Screened out At Stage 1	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Unknown	Unknown
NE12: Water, Air, Light and Noise Pollution	Original Assessment			Significant Positive		Significant Positive	Significant Positive		Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement

Policy		Landscape & Geology	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Health	Population	Material Assets	Cumulative Impacts
NE13: Contaminated Land	Original Assessment				Significant Positive		Significant Positive		Significant Positive		Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
<b>Communities and Housing - Housing</b>												
RES1: New Housing Developments	Original Assessment	Significant Negative	Significant Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative		Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative						
RES4: Compact Growth	Original Assessment	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown		Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
RES6: Gypsy Travellers' Sites	Original Assessment	Significant Negative	Unknown	Significant Negative	Unknown	Significant Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Negative		Significant Negative	Significant Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative
<b>Communities and Housing – Rural Housing</b>												
RH1: Housing in the Rural Protection Area	Original Assessment	Significant Negative	Unknown	Significant Negative	Unknown	Significant Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative		Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative
RH2: Housing in the Rural Diversification Area	Original Assessment	Significant Negative	Unknown	Significant Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative		Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Unknown	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative
RH3: Rural Housing Clusters	Original Assessment	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Negative	Neutral	Significant Negative	Neutral	Significant Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative
RH5: Rural Housing Development	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Neutral	Significant Positive		Significant Positive			Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive / Negative	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative
<b>Economy and Employment – Town Centres</b>												
TC1: Supporting Development in Centres	Original Assessment			Significant Positive / Negative		Significant Positive	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative

	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive / Negative	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative
Policy		Landscape & Geology	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Health	Population	Material Assets	Cumulative Impacts
TC2: Town Centre First Assessment	Original Assessment			Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown	Significant Positive	Significant Positive		Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive				
TC3: Small scale retail development in out-of-centre locations	Original Assessment			Significant Positive / Negative		Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative
TC4: Town Centre Living	Original Assessment			Significant Positive / Negative		Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive / Negative	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative
<b>Economy and Employment – Business and Industry</b>												
IND2: Business development in the Rural Area	Original Assessment	Significant Negative	Significant Negative	Significant Negative	Significant Negative	Significant Negative	Significant Negative	Unknown	Significant Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Negative	Significant Negative
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative
<b>Economy and Employment – Tourism</b>												
TOUR1: Tourism Development	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative
TOUR6: Loudoun Castle Estate Garden and Designed Landscape	Original Assessment	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Negative	Significant Positive / Negative								
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative
<b>Infrastructure – Promoting Sustainable Transport</b>												
Policy INF3: Installation of Digital Communications Infrastructure	Original Assessment	Unknown		Unknown	Unknown							
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Neutral	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative
<b>Infrastructure – Promoting Sustainable Transport</b>												

Policy		Landscape & Geology	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Health	Population	Material Assets	Cumulative Impacts
<b>Policy T1:</b> Transport requirements in New Development	Original Assessment	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown		Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral	Neutral
<b>Policy T2:</b> 20 Minute Neighbourhoods	Original Assessment	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown		Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
<b>Policy T3:</b> Transport of Freight	Original Assessment			Significant Positive / Negative		Significant Positive / Negative			Significant Positive / Negative		Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
<b>Policy T4:</b> Development and Protection of Core Paths and other routes	Original Assessment	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative				Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive		Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Neutral	Neutral	Neutral	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral
<b>Policy T5:</b> Charging Infrastructure for electric vehicles	Original Assessment			Significant Positive		Significant Positive			Significant Positive		Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
<b>Energy and Resources – Supporting Renewable Energy</b>												
<b>Policy RE1:</b> Renewable Energy	Original Assessment	Significant Negative	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown		Unknown			Unknown
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Unknown	Screened out At Stage 1	Unknown	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Unknown
<b>Policy RE2:</b> Heat and Cooling	Original Assessment	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown		Unknown			Unknown
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Neutral	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Neutral	Screened out At Stage 1	Neutral	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Neutral

Policy		Landscape & Geology	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Health	Population	Material Assets	Cumulative Impacts
Policy RE3: Low and Zero Carbon Buildings	Original Assessment	Neutral	Neutral	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Unknown /Neutral	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Neutral	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement								
<b>Energy and Resources – Minerals</b>												
MIN2: Extraction of Minerals	Original Assessment	Significant Negative	Significant Negative	Significant Negative	Significant Negative	Neutral	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Negative	Significant Negative	Significant Negative	Significant Negative
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative								
MIN3: Minerals Restoration and Placemaking	Original Assessment	Significant Positive										
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
MIN4: Protecting Communities	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Unknown / Neutral	Unknown / Neutral				Significant Positive				
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement				
MIN5: Protecting Residential Amenity	Original Assessment	Neutral	Significant Positive		Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Neutral	Significant Positive				
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement			
MIN6: Duration of Extraction Period	Original Assessment	Significant Positive										
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
MIN7: Borrow pits	Original Assessment	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/ Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative

Policy		Landscape & Geology	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Health	Population	Material Assets	Cumulative Impacts
<b>MIN8:</b> Reworking of Waste Spoils Tips	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	No cumulative impacts					
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No cumulative impacts					
<b>MIN9:</b> Extraction of Secondary Aggregates	Original Assessment	Significant Positive / Negative		Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative					
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Neutral	Significant Positive	Screened out At Stage 1	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive
<b>Energy and Resources – Sustainable Waste Management</b>												
<b>WM1:</b> Waste Management in New Development	Original Assessment							Unknown			Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Neutral	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement					
<b>WM2:</b> Development & the Circular Economy	Original Assessment			Significant Positive				Unknown			Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	Neutral	Screened out At Stage 1	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement
<b>WM3:</b> Waste Management Facilities	Original Assessment	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive		Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Neutral	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Neutral	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Significant Positive / Negative
<b>WM4:</b> Recovery of energy from Waste	Original Assessment	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive / Negative		Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Neutral	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Significant Positive / Negative	Neutral	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive	Screened out At Stage 1	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative
<b>Climate Resilience</b>												
<b>CR1:</b> Flood Risk Management	Original Assessment	Significant Positive	Significant Positive / Negative	Significant Positive	Significant Positive		Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive	Significant Positive
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Screened out At Stage 1	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement	No Mitigation / Enhancement			
<b>CR3:</b> Carbon Sequestration	Original Assessment	Unknown	Unknown	Significant Positive	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
	After Mitigation/Enhancement	Unknown	Unknown	No Mitigation / Enhancement	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown

Assessment of Allocated LDP2 Sites  
Screened into Stage 2

Key	Positive	Positive/Negative	Negative	Neutral/Unknown
	SP	SP/N	SN	N

Table 9 – Summary of LDP2 Site Assessment Outcomes

Overall Assessment Outcome	Ref No	Site Address/Location	Landscape	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Human Health	Population	Material Assets
<b>Residential</b>												
SP/N	AL-H1	Coal Road, Auchinleck	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	AL-H2	Dalsalloach Wood, Auchinleck	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	AL-H3	School Road, Auchinleck			SP/N	SN	SP/N			SP/N	SP	SP
SN	BS-H1	Burnside (West), Burnside	N	N	SN	SN	SN			SN	SP/N	SP/N
SN	BS-H2	Burnside (North), Burnside	N	N	SN	SN	SN			SN	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	CA-H1	John Street (East), Catrine	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	CA-H2	John Street (West), Catrine	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	CA-H3	Mill Street, Catrine	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	CA-H4	Shawwood Farm, Catrine	N	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	CR-H1	Grougar Road (East), Crookedholm	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	CH-H1	Gatehead Road, Crosshouse	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN	U	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	CH-H2	Holm Farm, Crosshouse	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	CH-H3	Irvine Road, Crosshouse	SN	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	CN-H1	Auchinleck Road, Cumnock	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	CN-H2	Barrhill Road, Cumnock			SP/N	SN	SP/N		SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	CN-H3	Dalgleish Avenue, Cumnock			SP/N	SN	SP/N	SP/N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	CN-H4	Ryderston Avenue, Cumnock			SP/N	SN	SP/N			SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	DA-H1	Ayr Road, Dalmellington	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP	SP/N
SN	DA-H2	Gateside Road, Dalmellington	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	DA-H3	High Street, Dalmellington	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	DR-H1	Burnton Road, Dalrymple	N		SP/N	N	SP/N			SP/N	SP	SP/N

Overall Assessment Outcome	Ref No	Site Address/Location	Landscape	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Human Health	Population	Material Assets
SP/N	DL-H1	Burn Road, Darvel	SN	SN	SP/N		SP/N	U		SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	DL-H2	Crofthead, Priestland	N	SN	SP/N		SP/N			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	DL-H3	Jamieson Road, Darvel	N	SN	SP/N		SP/N			SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	DL-H4	West Donnington Street, Darvel			SP/N	SP	SP/N	SP		SP/N	SP	SP
SP/N	DR-H1	Burnton Road, Dalrymple	N		SP/N	N	SP/N			SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	DG-H1	Martnaham Way, Drongan	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	DG-H2	Mill O'Shield Road, Drongan	SN	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	DU-H1	West View Terrace, Dunlop	N	N	SP/N		SP/N		SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	FW-H1	Bowling Green Road, Laigh Fenwick	N	SN	SP/N	N	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	FW-H2	Main Road, Fenwick	SN	SN	SP/N	SP	SP/N	N		SN	SP/N	SP
SP/N	FW-H3	Stewarton Road, Fenwick	SN	N	SP/N		SP/N	N		SN	SP/N	SP
SP/N	GA-H1	Belvedere View, Galston	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	GA-H2	Bewland Street, Galston		N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP	SP
SP/N	GH-H1	Main Road, Gatehead	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	HU-H1	Galston Road, Hurlford	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	KK-H1	Altonhill, Kilmarnock	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	KK-H2	Bridgehousehill, Kilmarnock	N	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	KK-H3	Fardalehill (East), Kilmarnock	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	KK-H4	Fardalehill (West), Kilmarnock	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	KK-H5	Glasgow Road (East), Kilmarnock	N	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	KK-H6	Glasgow Road (West), Kilmarnock		SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	KK-H7	Irvine Road, Kilmarnock	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	KK-H8	Kennedy Drive, Kilmarnock	SN	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	KK-H9	Maxholm, Kilmarnock		N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	KK-H10	Moorfield, Kilmarnock	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	KK-H11	Mount Pleasant Way/Hill Street, Kilmarnock			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N		SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	KK-H12	Northcraigs, Kilmarnock	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N

Overall Assessment Outcome	Ref No	Site Address/Location	Landscape	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Human Health	Population	Material Assets
SP/N	KK-H13	Sutherland Drive, Kilmarnock			SP/N	SN	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	KK-H14	Treesbank, Kilmarnock	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	KK-H15	Western Road (South), Kilmarnock			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	KK-H16	Western Road (North), Kilmarnock			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	KM-H1	Crosshouse Road, Kilmaurs	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	KM-H2	Habbieauld Road, Kilmaurs	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SN
SP/N	KM-H3	Irvine Road, Kilmaurs	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	KM-H4	Standalane, Kilmaurs	SN	SN	SP/N	N	SP/N	N	N	SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	KT-H1	Southhook Road, Knockentiber	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	MA-H1	Sorn Road, Mauchline	SN	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	MA-H2	Station Road (North), Mauchline	N	N	SP/N		SP/N			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	MA-H3	Station Road (South), Mauchline	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	MK-H1	Smallburn Road, Muirkirk	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	MK-H2	Wellwood Street, Muirkirk	N	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N		SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	NC-H1	Castle, New Cumnock	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	NC-H2	Crown Hotel, New Cumnock	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	NC-H3	Dalhanna Drive, New Cumnock	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	PA-H1	Ayr Road, Patna	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N			SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	PA-H2	Carskeoch Caravan Site, Patna	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	PA-H3	Cemetery Road, Patna	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N			SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	PA-H4	Main Street, Patna			SP/N	SN	SP/N			SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	ST-H1	Draffen East, Stewarton	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SN
SN	ST-H2 (PROP11)	Kilwinning Road, Stewarton	SN	SN	SN	SN	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
Business & Industry												
SP/N	AL-B1(O)	High House Industrial Estate, Auchinleck	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N		SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	DL-B2(0)	Jamieson Road, Darvel		N	SP/N	SP	SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	HU-B1(O)	Galston Road, Hurlford	N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	KK-B6(O)	Northcraig/Rowallan, Kilmarnock	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP	SP/N

Overall Assessment Outcome	Ref No	Site Address/Location	Landscape	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Human Health	Population	Material Assets
SP/N	MK-B1(O)	Furnace Road Industrial Estate, Muirkirk	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	NM-B1(O)	Brown Street, Newmilns	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	PA-B1(O)	Ayr Road Industrial Site, Patna	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	RU-B2(O1)	Kirklandside & Kaimshill (North)	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	RU-B2(O2)	Kirklandside & Kaimshill (South)	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	RU-B3(O)	Crowbandgate	SP/N	N	SP/N	N	SP/N	SP/N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	ST-B1(O)	Magbiehill, Stewarton	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP	SP/N
Miscellaneous												
SP/N	AL-M1	Former Auchinleck Academy, Auchinleck			SP/N		SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP
SN	AL-M2	Templeton Roundabout, Auchinleck	SN	SN	SN	SN	SN	N		SP/N	SP/N	SN
SP/N	BG-M1	Bank School, Bank Glen	SP/N	N	SN	N	SN			SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	CA-M1	Bridge Street, Catrine		N	SP/N	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP	SP
SP/N	CN-M1	Caponacre, Cumnock	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	CN-M2	Glaisnock Glen, Cumnock		SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	DA-M1	Croft Street, Dalmellington			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	DA-M2	Doon Academy, Dalmellington		N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	GA-M1	Bridge Street, Galston			SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	GA-M2	Corner of Cross St, Galston			SP/N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	GA-M3	Garden Street, Galston		N	SP/N	SN	SP/N			SP/N	SP	SP
SP/N	KK-M1	Former ABC Cinema, Titchfield Street, Kilmarnock			SP/N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP	SP/N	SP	SP
SP/N	KK-M2	Former Burlington Bertie's, Kilmarnock			SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	KK-M3	Wellington Street, Kilmarnock			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N		SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	KK-M4	West Shaw Street, Kilmarnock			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N		SP/N	SP	SP
SP/N	KK-M5	Western Road (area centre), Kilmarnock		SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N		SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	KK-M6	Northcraigs, Kilmarnock	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	MK-M1	Former Nursery School, Main Street, Muirkirk			SP/N	N	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP	SP/N
SP/N	MK-M2	Carruthers Park, Muirkirk	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	NC-M1	Castle, New Cumnock			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	NM-M1	High Street, Newmilns	SP/N	N	SP/N	N	SP/N	SP/N		SP/N	SP	SP

Overall Assessment Outcome	Ref No	Site Address/Location	Landscape	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Human Health	Population	Material Assets
SP/N	NM-M2	Loudoun Road, Newmilns			SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP	SP
SP/N	RU-M1	Barony Colliery, Near Ochiltree and Auchinleck	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SP	SP/N	SP/N	SP	SP
SP/N	RU-M2	Loudoun Castle, near Galston	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	RU-M3	Land South of Moorfield, Kilmarnock	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	ST-M1	Bridgend, Stewarton	SP		SP/N		SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	ST-M2	Kilwinning Road, Stewarton	SP	SP/N	SP/N		SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
Ayrshire Growth Deal												
SP/N	CN-A1	CoRE, Cumnock	N	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N			SP	SP	SP/N
SP/N	KK-A1	Ayrshire Engineering Park, Kilmarnock	SN	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	KK-A2	Balmoral Road/Hill Street, Kilmarnock	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	RU-A1	Advanced Manufacturing Investment Corridor, Near Kilmarnock and Hurlford	SN	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
Proposals												
SP	PROP1	South Central Kilmarnock, Kilmarnock (Policy SS8)	U		SP/N	SP	SP/N	SN	U	SP	SP	SP
SP	PROP2	Park & Ride at West Fenwick, Near Fenwick	SN	SN	SP/N	SP	SP	N		SP	SP	SP
SP	PROP3	Park & Ride at Glasgow Road, Kilmarnock			SP	SN	SP	SN		SP	SP	SP
SP/N	PROP8	Mount Carmel Primary School, Kilmarnock			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	PROP9	Onthank Primary School, Kilmarnock			SP/N	SN	SP/N	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	PROP10	Altonhill/Fardalehill (West), Kilmarnock (KK-H1 & KK-H4)	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SN	PROP11	Kilwinning Road, Stewarton (ST-H2)	SN	SN	SN	SN	SP/N	N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	PROP12	Hillhead Primary School, Kilmarnock			SP/N	SN	SP/N	SP/N		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
Cemetery Extension												
N	CEM1	Auchinleck Cemetery, Auchinleck	N	SN	N	SN	N	N	SN	N	N	SP
N	CEM2	Catrine Cemetery, Catrine	N	SN	N	SN	N			N	N	SP
N	CEM3	Dalmellington Cemetery, Dalmellington	N	SN	N	SN	N		SN	N	N	SP
N	CEM4	Dalrymple Cemetery, Dalrymple	N		N	N	N			N	N	SP
N	CEM5	Drongan Cemetery, Drongan	N	N	N	SN	N			N	N	SP
N	CEM6	Fenwick Cemetery, Fenwick	N	N	N		N	N		N	N	SP
N	CEM7	Galston Cemetery, Galston	N		N	SN	N			N	N	SP

Overall Assessment Outcome	Ref No	Site Address/Location	Landscape	Biodiversity, Flora & Fauna	Climatic Factors	Soil	Air	Water	Cultural Heritage	Human Health	Population	Material Assets
N	CEM8	Kilmarnock Cemetery, Kilmarnock	N	N	N	SN	N			N	N	SP
N	CEM9	Kilmaurs Cemetery, Kilmaurs	N		N	SN	N	N		N	N	SP
N	CEM10	Mauchline Cemetery, Mauchline	N	SN	N	SN	N			N	N	SP
N	CEM11	Muirkirk Cemetery, Muirkirk	N	N	N	SN	N			N	N	SP
N	CEM12	Riccarton Cemetery, near Kilmarnock	N	N	N	SN	N			N	N	SP
<b>Waste Management Facilities</b>												
SN	CN-W1	Caponacre HWRC & bulking facility, Cumnock	N	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SN		SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SN	RU-W4	Killoch Energy recovery Facility nr. Ochiltree	SN		SN	SP/N	SN	N		SN	SP/N	SP/N
<b>Future Growth Sites</b>												
SP/N	CH-F1(H)	Kilmaurs Road, Crosshouse	SN	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N	N		SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	DA-F1(H)	Saw Mill, Dalmellington	SP	N	SN	SP/N	SN	SP		SP/N		SP/N
SP/N	DG-F1(H)	Watson Terrace, Drongan	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N		SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP
SP/N	FW-F1(H)	Waterslap Road, Fenwick	SN	SN	SP/N	N	SP/N	SN	SN	SP/N	SP	SN
SP/N	GA-F1(H)	Maxwood Road, Galston	SN	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N			SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	KK-F1(H)	Caprington Golf Course, Kilmarnock	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	KK-F2(H)	Land at Grassmillside, Kilmarnock	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SN	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N
SP/N	KM-F1(H)	Crosshouse Road, Kilmaurs	SN	SN	SP/N	SN	SP/N	N	N	SP/N	SP/N	SN
SP/N	MA-F1(H)	Sorn Road (North), Mauchline	SN	N	SP/N	SN	SP/N		SN	SP/N	SP/N	SP/N

## 8. Cumulative and Synergistic Impact Assessment

### Cumulative Impacts

- 8.1. Tables 8 and 9 detail the summary of significant cumulative environmental impacts for each individual spatial strategy, policy, proposal and development site that was through a Stage 2 Assessment and also in terms of the LDP2's impacts on each environmental receptor.

#### Vision, Spatial Strategy, Policies and Proposals:

- 8.2. In general, for each individual spatial strategy policy and proposal, the significant cumulative impacts in terms of general assessment results were either significant positive or significant positive/negative. There were 7 policies which were identified that were likely to have significant negative cumulative environmental impacts:

- ❖ *Aim 3 – Stabilise East Ayrshire's population and stimulate population growth*
- ❖ *RES6 – Gypsy Traveller's Sites*
- ❖ *RH1 – Housing in the Rural Protection Area*
- ❖ *RH2 – Housing in the Rural Diversification Area*
- ❖ *RH3 – Rural Housing Clusters*
- ❖ *IND2 – Business Development in the Rural Area*
- ❖ *MIN 2 – Extraction of Minerals*

- 8.3. After mitigation, Aim 3, RES6, RH1, RH2, RH3, IND3 and MIN2 were likely to have significant positive/negative cumulative impacts, however, this is dependent on the mitigation measures being implemented.

- 8.4. The Aims, in terms of their impacts on the individual environmental receptors are likely to have significant positive, neutral or unknown impacts. Where impacts were unknown, the implementation of mitigation measures will likely result in significant positive impacts. Given the overarching and high level nature of these aims, impacts are dependent on the implementation of other policies, proposals and opportunity sites on the ground, however, these set the tone of the LDP2.

- 8.5. The implementation of the Spatial Strategy policies and proposals, in terms of their impacts on individual environmental receptors is likely to have largely significant positive impacts. Where impacts are unknown or neutral, the implementation of mitigation is likely to result in significant positive or neutral impacts being experienced. Where significant positive/negative or negative impacts are identified, a precautionary approach has been adopted within cumulative impacts being categorised after mitigation as significant

positive/negative to ensure that the strategic assessment is not overly positive and considers fully potential negative impacts.

- 8.6. The implementation of the wider LDP2 policies, in terms of their impacts on individual environmental receptors were likely to have significant positive or significant positive/negative impacts. Where impacts are unknown or neutral, the implementation of mitigation is likely to result in significant positive or neutral impacts being experienced. Where significant positive/negative or negative impacts are identified, a precautionary approach has been adopted within cumulative impacts being categorised after mitigation as significant positive/negative to ensure that the strategic assessment is not overly positive and considers fully potential negative impacts.
- 8.7. The LDP2 policies and proposals are likely to have cumulative significant positive/negative impacts on the following environmental receptors: Air quality, climatic factors, landscape, health, population and material assets. The LDP2 policies and proposals are likely to have cumulative positive impacts on the following environmental receptors: biodiversity, flora and fauna, soil and cultural heritage.
- 8.8. In overall terms, the implementation of LDP2 policies and proposals are likely to have significant positive/negative cumulative impacts in terms of the original assessment and also in terms of the mitigation/enhancement measures.

#### Development Sites

- 8.9. In general, the LDP2's identified development opportunity sites are considered to have individual significant positive/negative cumulative impacts.
- 8.10. There are 7 sites which may have largely significant negative impacts on environmental receptors, these are listed below. The detailed Site Proformas of the SEA (see Appendix 11.1-11.26), and Volume 2 of the Plan detail and outline mitigation measures which should be implemented are likely to reduce these significant negative impacts, and the overall cumulative impact of these development opportunity sites:

- ❖ **BS-H1** – Burnside (West), Burnside
- ❖ **BS-H2** – Burnside (North), Burnside
- ❖ **DA-H2** – Gateside Road, Dalmellington
- ❖ **ST-H2 (PROP11)** – Kilwinning Road, Stewarton
- ❖ **AL-M1** – Templeton Roundabout, Auchlinleck
- ❖ **CN-W1** – Caponacre HWRC & Bulking Facility, Cumnock
- ❖ **RU-W4** – Killoch Energy recovery facility near Ochiltree

8.11. There are 3 sites which may have largely significant positive impacts on most environmental receptors, these are listed below. The detailed Site Proformas of the SEA (see Appendix 11.1-11.26), and Volume 2 of the Plan detail and outline mitigation measures which should be implemented and are likely to reduce significant negative or significant positive/negative impacts, and the overall cumulative impact of these proposal sites further:

- ❖ **PROP1 (Policy SS8)** – South Central Kilmarnock
- ❖ **PROP 2** – Park & Ride at West Fenwick, near Fenwick
- ❖ **PROP3** – Park & Ride at Glasgow Road, Kilmarnock

8.12. In terms of the development sites' cumulative impacts on the individual environmental receptors, the majority of the cumulative impacts are likely to prove significant positive or significant positive/negative. Only landscape, biodiversity, flora and fauna, soil and (where applicable) the water environment are likely to have largely significant negative impacts. For landscape and biodiversity, a precautionary approach has been utilised in assessing impacts, a number of the allocated sites are periphery in nature and as such are more likely to have impacts on landscape and biodiversity. However, for a large portion of the sites, impacts on these two environmental receptors are likely to be neutral. In terms of soil, where any Coal Authority Development Risk Area was identified (low or high), impacts were categorised as negative as a precaution, subject to appropriate mitigation. As such, this precautionary approach means that a number of sites have negative impacts listed for soil which may be neutral through the implementation of mitigation. Where impacts are anticipated for the historic environment, unless positive impacts are anticipated through the improvement of streetscape and redevelopment of listed buildings then impacts were considered to be negative subject to appropriate mitigation. The cumulative impacts for climatic factors, air quality, human health, population and material assets are considered to be largely significant positive/negative. It should be noted that these impacts are dependent on the mitigation measures being implemented.

8.13. Although the individual assessments of the sites indicated that it is unlikely that the sites themselves will result in a significant increase in the amount of waste produced within the applicable settlement, some sites based on their scale and capacity indicated that there may be an significant increase, cumulatively there will likely be significant negative environmental impacts in terms of waste production by settlement and in terms of East Ayrshire as a whole. Therefore, to mitigate the impact, developers of the sites, in terms of construction waste, will require to recycle material, either through re-use on site, or through re-use in other projects, in line with the provisions of the Zero Waste Plan. In terms of domestic waste, any developer will be required to ensure that the provisions of

policies WM1-WM4 are met. Should this be the case then there are likely to be significant positive/negative environmental cumulative impacts on waste.

- 8.14. Removal of contaminated soil and water and redevelopment of brownfield land is also likely to have significant positive synergistic impacts on landscape, biodiversity, flora and fauna and health.
- 8.15. Infrastructure improvements are anticipated to have cumulative impacts and implications on the environment across East Ayrshire. For example, improvements to infrastructure capacity within Stewarton and the road network around Bellfield Interchange. The increased provision for infrastructure relating to electric vehicle charging is also likely to have cumulative impacts. In terms of synergistic impacts, these are likely to have positive and negative impacts in terms of air quality, material assets, human health and population.

### **Synergistic Impact Assessment**

- 8.16. Synergistic impacts occur when the combination of individual and unrelated impacts combine to produce a different impact to the sum of the individual impacts concerned. Synergistic impacts are anticipated through the interrelationship of different plans, programmes and strategies as promoted by Council services e.g. a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions will positively impact on biodiversity conservation and protection and can also impact on air quality, by reducing pollution levels, which can lead to a reduction in asthma.
- 8.17. The results of the assessment of planning policy have been examined to determine whether synergistic impacts are predicted. It is considered that there is potential for positive synergistic impacts across a number of criteria. These include:
  - Policies intended to have positive impacts on landscape and protecting the character of the rural area, are also likely to have positive impacts on biodiversity, flora and fauna;
  - Policies intended to reduce car usage and decrease emissions, will combine to have a positive impact on human health and population;
  - Policies intended to have a positive impact on the economy and diversity of town centres, are also subsequently likely to have a positive impact on climatic factors and air quality through concentrating development in areas with good public transport and active travel links; and
  - Policies intended to direct development to previously developed land and vacant and derelict sites, are also likely to have a positive impact on soils and climatic factors.
- 8.18. The results of the site assessments have also been examined to identify any synergistic impacts. Again, synergistic impacts are expected and are generally considered to be positive. Specifically, impacts are predicted in terms of:
  - 2 key principles adhered to in the allocation of sites are to make use of brownfield land and to direct development to locations within settlements. The

key purpose is to ensure development is within locations that are accessible to public transport and active travel network. Positive synergistic impacts are predicted in terms of (i) landscape, biodiversity, flora and fauna and soils as greenfield sites will be protected and (ii) human health and population, through encouraging healthy lifestyles and good access to services.

- Mitigation required for a number of sites stipulates the need for low/zero carbon building techniques with the purpose of reducing carbon emissions. Similarly, the energy policies of the plan promote standalone renewable energy and renewable heat developments. Together, these parts of the Plan, will have positive synergistic impacts on human health, population and material asset.

## **9. Mitigation and Monitoring**

### **Consultation Period**

- 9.1. The public consultation period for the Main Issues Report and accompanying Interim Environmental Report took place between the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020 and 31<sup>st</sup> July 2020. Comments submitted by statutory consultees, key agencies, community councils, community groups, organisations and the public during the Main Issues Report consultation period have been taken into consideration in the preparation of LDP2's Proposed Plan. Consultee comments on the MIR Interim Environmental Report can be viewed in Appendix 2.
- 9.2. At Proposed Plan stage, public consultation will be held over a 6-8 week period. Any comments received in respect of the associated Environmental Report will be taken into account before the Plan is adopted by the Council. Any comments received from the Consultation Authorities will be reviewed and a table will be produced to show how the Consultation Authorities' comments have been taken into account.

### **Legislative Requirement for Monitoring**

- 9.3. Monitoring the environmental performance of LDP2 during its lifetime is a key requirement of the SEA. The SEA Act, Schedule 3 paragraph 9, requires "a description of the measures envisaged concerning monitoring in accordance with Section 10". The monitoring measures proposed are based on the different environmental issues identified as potentially being subject to significant environmental effects from LDP2.

### **How we intend to monitor the LDP2 impacts**

- 9.4. The monitoring of LDP2 will be undertaken primarily by the Council or other relevant agencies, involving a combination of the following mechanisms.
- 9.5. Where possible, the Council will seek to firstly avoid significant negative environmental impacts. If this is not possible, mitigation measures will be proposed which will aim to reduce the overall environmental impact to an acceptable level. In addition, the Plan may be required to change so that significant environmental effects can be avoided.
- 9.6. The adopted LDP2 will be subject to on-going monitoring. It is intended to create a set of indicators to measure the impacts that LDP2 may have on the

environment during its lifespan. The indicators will be based on the baseline information and the existing environmental problems and issues in the area and the identified current state of the environmental trends in the East Ayrshire State of the Environment Report (2019). In addition, the monitoring measures identified in National Planning Framework 4 have been used to assist in the monitoring process. At the MIR IER stage, the Planning Authority welcomed any guidance by the Consultation Authorities on the development of these indicators.

9.7. Mitigation measures will be set out in a way, which clearly identifies:

- ❖ The measures required;
- ❖ When they would be required; and
- ❖ Who will be required to implement them?

### **Monitoring and Mitigation Measures**

9.8. Where the stage 2 assessments indicate that there are likely to be adverse impacts as a result of the Main Issues and the associated preferred option and alternative options, mitigation measures have been proposed to reduce the overall environmental impact to an acceptable level for each of the environmental receptors that are affected. The stage 2 assessments also propose enhancement measures where appropriate and, as with the mitigation measures, these are identified against the individual environmental receptors in the stage 2 assessments. Table 10 below sets out the mitigation measures set out in the Stage 2 assessments.

9.9. The LDP2 is likely to have significant environmental impacts which require to be monitored to ensure that adverse and unforeseen impacts do not arise or can be easily identified and mitigation measures put in place. The monitoring measures are set out below:

**Table 10** Monitoring and Mitigation Measures for SEA Targets

Topic	Environmental Issue & Monitoring Objectives	Target	Mitigation/Monitoring Measures	Responsible Party	Proposed timescale
<b>Natural Environment</b>					
Landscape	The Landscape of East Ayrshire is protected and any alterations to its character and setting shall have significant detrimental impacts.	<p>The landscape of East Ayrshire is protected and any alterations to its character and setting are avoided or minimised.</p> <p>To monitor the impact of LDP2 on landscape within East Ayrshire:</p> <p>To protect, enhance and where appropriate restore landscape, local distinctiveness and areas of value.</p> <p>Avoid impacts on visually prominent areas.</p> <p>Development is largely directed to brownfield sites, as greenfield development is likely to have negative impacts on biodiversity through the loss and/or fragmentation of habitats and species.</p>	<p><u>Monitoring:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementation and effectiveness of LDP2 Spatial Strategy, Environment policies</li> <li>Monitoring of information contained within the East Ayrshire State of Environment Report 2019 (or any subsequent updated version) relating to landscape including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- number of national and local landscape designations in EA</li> <li>- Status and trends in designated landscapes in EA</li> <li>- Land use and development pressures on landscape: development types and locations</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><u>Mitigation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development will only be allowed where the landscape is not detrimentally impacted by the development and without any impact on the character of the area.</li> <li>Developments should be carefully designed to mitigate against the negative impacts they could have on landscape character.</li> <li>A Landscape Assessment of Potential Development Areas has been carried out and have been used to inform the selection of allocated sites. An effort has been made to ensure that the choice of sites would have no eventual adverse landscape impact.</li> <li>Development, whether it be on allocated or windfall sites, will require to meet the provisions of NE1: Protecting and Enhancing Landscape and Features, which will help mitigate against any of the possible negative effects facing the Local Authority area.</li> <li>LDP2 contains a robust and effective policy framework which protects landscape features and character: NE1, NE2, NE3, NE4, NE5, NE8 and NE9 development proposals should accord with the requirements of these policies where applicable, this should mitigate against potential detrimental impacts on landscape and character.</li> <li>Any unavoidable detrimental landscape impacts should be mitigated through screening, sensitive siting of buildings and the retention of landscape features such as trees and hedgerows, in accordance with policy.</li> </ul>	EAC  Relevant developer	2024-2034
Biodiversity, Flora and Fauna	<p>Protect areas of nature conservation value across East Ayrshire.</p> <p>Reduce unavoidable impacts on these priority habitats.</p>	<p>To monitor the impact of LDP2 on the natural heritage designations within East Ayrshire, including those of nature conservation value:</p> <p>Enhance biodiversity across East Ayrshire</p> <p>Safeguard and enhance East Ayrshire's habitats.</p> <p>Avoid irreversible losses of valuable sites, areas of green space and protected species/habitats within East Ayrshire.</p>	<p><u>Monitoring:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementation and effectiveness of LDP2 'Natural Environment' policies (NE1-NE13).</li> <li>Monitoring of information contained within the East Ayrshire State of Environment Report 2019 (or any subsequent updated version) relating to ecology and conservation, including: Assessment of grades of statutory and non-statutory sites; habitats; protected mammal species; other species – birds; amphibian and reptiles; other species plants, lower plants, invertebrates and excluding lepidoptera.</li> <li>Implementation and effectiveness of mitigation measures identified within the LDP2 HRA.</li> </ul> <p><u>Mitigation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The presence of environmentally sensitive sites has been used to inform the choice of allocated sites and the mitigation that may be applied to limit any negative effects they may have on biodiversity.</li> <li>Development, whether it be on allocated or windfall sites, will require to meet the provisions of Policy NE6: Vulnerable, Threatened and Protected Species and Policy NE8: Trees, Woodland, Forestry and Hedgerows, which seek to reduce any negative effects on biodiversity, flora and fauna.</li> <li>❖ Developments which lead to the fragmentation of existing habitats/species will not be supported by the Council, this can be ensured through the implementation of Policy NE1-NE13.</li> </ul>	EAC  Relevant developer	2024-2034

		Protect carbon rich soils, deep peat and priority peatland sites.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A robust policy framework should ensure that important nature conservation sites in relation to biodiversity, flora and fauna are protected from development.</li> </ul>		
Climatic factors	<p>Reduce carbon emissions.</p> <p>No increase in the risk of flooding, particularly within settlements.</p> <p>Protect carbon rich soils, deep peat and priority peatland sites, and safeguard sites which have undergone or are undergoing restoration works</p>	<p>To monitor the impact of LDP2 on air quality within East Ayrshire:</p> <p>Reduce climate change impacts in accordance with Scottish Government policy.</p> <p>Reduce carbon emissions where possible.</p> <p>To contribute towards the reduction GHG outputs in line with Government targets for net zero.</p> <p>To improve East Ayrshire's resilience to a changing climate within new developments and established areas.</p> <p>Remove and/or treat areas of contaminated land.</p> <p>Protect prime quality agricultural land from loss.</p>	<p><u>Monitoring:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementation and effectiveness of LDP2 Spatial Strategy, which is focused on improving our climate resilience (<b>sustainable travel and transport; energy and climate resilience as well as sustainability and green recovery</b>), alongside the <b>Place and Environment, natural environment, Infrastructure and Energy, Resources and Resilience policies</b></li> <li>Monitoring of information contained within the East Ayrshire State of Environment Report 2019 (or any subsequent updated version) relating to climate, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- assessment of greenhouse emissions</li> <li>- assessment of temperature and rainfall</li> <li>- number and location of wind farms in East Ayrshire (including information on operational sites, consented/under construction and planning applications)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><u>Mitigation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development shall be suitably designed and constructed to contribute to greenhouse gas reduction targets and to counter balance the increase in emissions from private car use.</li> <li>Development shall be connected to public transport networks.</li> <li>It should be ensured that any proposals is as accessible as possible, directly linking to existing cycling and walking routes, including core paths and rights of way, and where possible contribute to the expansion of these networks in accordance with Policy T4.</li> <li>Development should be located within sustainable and appropriate locations. The LDP2 has identified where the Council would like to see development take place through our development opportunity sites.</li> <li>Developments should use zero carbon materials and construction methods and should embrace renewable energy methods to minimise carbon emissions, in accordance with policies RE1, RE2, RE3, CR2 and CR3.</li> <li>In accordance with Policy CR1: Flood Risk Management, development proposals must integrate and utilise natural flood management techniques and incorporate sustainable urban drainage systems into the site.</li> </ul>	EAC	2024-2034
<b>Natural Resources</b>					
Soil	Ensure that geological resources and their settings within East Ayrshire are preserved and restored.	<p>To monitor the impact of LDP2 on soil across East Ayrshire.</p> <p>To protect and enhance soil and land resources, such as peat and carbon rich soils, and restore degraded soils.</p> <p>Where appropriate, use soil resources in a sustainable manner.</p> <p>Reduce contamination and safeguard soil quality and quantity</p>	<p><u>Monitoring:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementation and effectiveness of LDP2 Natural Environment Policies: NE10, NE11 and NE13.</li> <li>Monitoring of information contained within the East Ayrshire State of Environment Report 2019 (or any subsequent updated version) relating to soils including: - assessment of superficial deposits and bedrock, in terms of soil degradation processes and degradation - location of peat and other carbon rich soils and classes associated in line with NatureScot Carbon and Peatland Map 2016</li> </ul> <p><u>Mitigation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Plan aims to minimise the loss of soil by directing development to the most sustainable locations, with particular avoidance of Prime Quality Agricultural Land and land affected by environmental designations.</li> <li>The Plan contains a robust policy framework which seeks to meet soil objectives. Policy NE11: Soils seeks to mitigate the negative effects of development on soils.</li> <li>In order to maximise the use of land and to reduce the negative effects on soil, Policy DES1: Development Design seeks to ensure that development within allocated sites will offer the highest density of development possible, thereby reducing the overall area of land required to ensure compliance with the Housing Land Requirement.</li> <li>Contaminated soil should be treated and/or removed, where possible, and in consultation with Environmental Health.</li> </ul>	EAC	2024-2034

Air	<p>To prevent deterioration and where possible enhance air quality.</p> <p>Ensure that any mineral extraction of does lead to the increase of environmental pollutants.</p>	<p>To better understand and monitor the impact of LDP2 on air quality</p>	<p><u>Monitoring:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation and effectiveness of relevant applicable LDP2 policies, including transport, natural environment, communities and housing, but more specifically policies T1, T2, T3, T4, T5, INF1, RE1 and CR2.</li> <li>• Monitoring of information contained within the East Ayrshire State of Environment Report 2019 (or any subsequent updated version) relating to air including - Assessment of NO2 and PM10 - Number of AQMAs</li> <li>• Monitoring methods could involve school travel plans, traffic levels, parking rates and numbers in our town centres, number of new houses built out, usage data for sustainable transport and length new pedestrian cycle routes and pathways.</li> </ul> <p><u>Mitigation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The policy framework and spatial arrangement of allocates sites partially mitigates itself by supporting the improvement of an integrated and sustainable walking and cycling network with better links to transport. Furthermore, the LDP2 policy framework has a wide range of elements that will help mitigate the negative effects of potential developments, including encouraging the incorporation of renewable energy technologies into development, requiring a high standard of design and requirement where applicable for developer contributions to deliver improvements to walking and cycling infrastructure and the public transport network.</li> <li>• The Spatial Strategy supports the improvement of an integrated and sustainable walking and cycling network with better links to transport.</li> <li>• LDP2 designated opportunity sites direct development to more sustainable locations.</li> <li>• LDP2 seeks to ensure that developments utilise, where appropriate, zero carbon technologies in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve energy efficiency.</li> <li>• Once developed, sites should be monitored for any increases in air pollution which would lead to national air quality standards being breached.</li> <li>• Where infrastructure improvements may be taking place, nearby residential areas should be monitored for any increases in air pollution.</li> <li>• Development will be required to be accessible, directly linking to existing cycle and walking routes, in accordance with Policy DES1 and T4.</li> <li>• Where possible, development(s) shall adopt low carbon technologies in order to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, in accordance with LDP2 policies.</li> </ul>	<p>EAC</p> <p>Relevant developer</p>	<p>2024-2034</p>
Water	<p>To monitor the impact of LDP2 on the water environment of East Ayrshire</p>	<p>To monitor the impact of LDP2 on the water environment of East Ayrshire:</p> <p>To manage and reduce flood risk and safeguard the environment from deterioration and where possible enhance water quality.</p> <p>Reduce overall flood risk</p>	<p><u>Monitoring:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation and effectiveness of LDP2 policies, including DES1, OS1, OS2, CR1 and NE12</li> <li>• Monitoring of information contained within the East Ayrshire State of Environment Report 2019 (or any subsequent updated versions) relating to water including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- location and status of surface water bodies in EA</li> <li>- location and status of superficial groundwater bodies in EA</li> <li>- Flood risk areas in EA and flood risk levels</li> <li>- surface water management plans in EA</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Review and monitor SEPA's database on the status of waterbodies.</li> </ul> <p><u>Mitigation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development, whether it be on allocated sites or windfall, will need to meet the requirements of Flood Risk Management (Scotland) Act 2009 and National Planning Framework 4. Consultation has taken place with SEPA with regard to sites proposed for allocation in LDP2 with a view to pursuing flood risk avoidance. No site that was considered undeliverable by SEPA has been allocated in the plan other than KK-M4 West Shaw Street, which lies within the South Central Kilmarnock area and will be subject to further analysis to assess its prospects for development as per PROP1.</li> <li>• Site specific requirements to consult SEPA and ARA (Flooding) have been incorporated into Volume 2 of the Proposed Plan. Subject to these discussions, further, more detailed Flood Risk</li> </ul>	<p>EAC/ARA</p> <p>Relevant developer</p>	<p>2024-2034</p>

			<p>Assessments will be required on sites where they have been deemed necessary. Under the Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2011, new developments are required to incorporate and implement Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDs).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All development will be required to accord with the requirements of Policy CR1: Flood Risk Management, which sets out a range of elements relating to design and SuDS, which are applicable to all developments that will help mitigate the negative effects of this policy on the SEA Objective.</li> <li>• Where appropriate natural surfaces should be incorporated into development proposals to increase infiltration and reduce run-off.</li> <li>• The introduction of flood mitigation will reduce negative impacts</li> </ul>		
<b>Historic Environment</b>					
Listed Buildings	<p>To monitor the impact of the LDP2 on the historic environment.</p> <p>All historic environmental features are protected within East Ayrshire.</p>	<p>To monitor the impact of the LDP2 on the historic environment:</p> <p>Protect the special interest and setting of listed buildings</p> <p>All historic features and their setting are protected from inappropriate development within East Ayrshire.</p> <p>Development shall not adversely affect the landscape of townscape.</p> <p>Reduced number of historic buildings registers as "at risk".</p>	<p><u>Monitoring:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation and effectiveness of LDP2 historic environment policies HE1-HE4.</li> <li>• Monitoring of information contained within the East Ayrshire State of Environment Report 2019 (or any subsequent updated version) relating to cultural heritage including: - number and location of historic environment sites in EA - Listed buildings considered at 'risk' - Trends and pressures on historic environment and impacts</li> </ul> <p><u>Mitigation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy HE1: Listed Buildings is in place to safeguard listed buildings.</li> <li>• Policy HE5 supports enabling development to restore listed buildings</li> <li>• The design and layout of sites should be carefully considered and may require the input of a conservation accredited architect to ensure that any impact on the buildings themselves and their setting is minimised.</li> <li>• Liaison with the Council's Heritage Projects team, where applicable.</li> </ul>	EAC	2024-2034
Conservation Areas	<p>To monitor the impact of the LDP2 on the historic environment.</p> <p>All historic environmental features are protected within East Ayrshire.</p>		<p><u>Monitoring:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation and effectiveness of LDP2 historic environment policies HE1-HE4.</li> <li>• Monitoring of information contained within the East Ayrshire State of Environment Report 2019 (or any subsequent updated version) relating to cultural heritage including: - number and location of historic environment sites in EA - Listed buildings considered at 'risk' - Trends and pressures on historic environment and impacts</li> <li>• The completion of a conservation area appraisal is a key factor in safeguarding conservation areas. LDP2 plans to undertake a CAA for Stewarton and London Road Outstanding Conservation (Kilmarnock). These will give an up to date assessment of the character and condition of CAs.</li> </ul> <p><u>Mitigation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure that there is a robust and effective policy framework in place to safeguard conservation areas.</li> <li>• Policy assessment measures will be in place to ensure that the character and amenity of conservation areas are preserved, in accordance with Policy HE2.</li> </ul>	EAC	2024-2034
Scheduled Monuments	<p>To monitor the impact of the LDP2 on the historic environment.</p> <p>All historic environmental features are protected within East Ayrshire.</p>	<p>Preserve scheduled ancient monuments and other identified nationally important archaeological resources in situ and protect the integrity of their setting</p>	<p><u>Monitoring:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation and effectiveness of LDP2 historic environment policies HE1-HE4.</li> <li>• Monitoring of information contained within the East Ayrshire State of Environment Report 2019 (or any subsequent updated version) relating to cultural heritage.</li> <li>• Utilising details of planning consents granted where schedules ancient monuments are affected.</li> </ul> <p><u>Mitigation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LDP2 contains a policy which seeks to protect scheduled monuments from inappropriate development (HE3), the implementation of which will mitigate against negative impacts.</li> </ul>	EAC	2024-2034

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LDP2 identifies development opportunity sites which have been selected to reduce impacts on the historic environment, including scheduled monuments.</li> <li>Liaison with Historic Environment Scotland may be required.</li> </ul>		
Archaeological Sites	<p>To monitor the impact of the LDP2 on the historic environment.</p> <p>All historic environmental features are protected within East Ayrshire.</p>		<p><u>Monitoring:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementation and effectiveness of LDP2 historic environment policies HE1-HE4.</li> <li>Monitoring of information contained within the East Ayrshire State of Environment Report 2019 (or any subsequent updated version) relating to cultural heritage.</li> </ul> <p><u>Mitigation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LDP2 contains a policy which seeks to protect archaeological sites from inappropriate development (HE3), the implementation of which will mitigate against negative impacts.</li> <li>LDP2 identifies development opportunity sites which have been selected to reduce impacts on the historic environment, including archaeological sites.</li> <li>Where proposals may have an impact on archaeological sites/areas, then mitigation measures should be put in place in consultation with Historic Scotland and WoSAS.</li> <li>Where there is uncertainty, consultation with WoSAS is recommended to ensure there are no extant archaeological assets on site.</li> </ul>	EAC	2024-2034
Gardens and Designed Landscapes	<p>To monitor the impact of the LDP2 on the historic environment.</p> <p>All historic environmental features are protected within East Ayrshire.</p>	<p>Protect the character and setting of sites identified in the Inventory and non-inventory Gardens and Designed Landscapes in Scotland.</p> <p>Protect the historical significant and integrity of the GDL.</p> <p>Where possible enhance the condition of GDLs.</p>	<p><u>Monitoring:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementation and effectiveness of LDP2 historic environment policies HE1-HE5.</li> <li>Monitoring of information contained within the East Ayrshire State of Environment Report 2019 (or any subsequent updated versions) relating to cultural heritage.</li> <li>During the preparation of LDP2, the Council commissioned a review of all inventory and non-inventory Gardens and Designed Landscapes. This will provide an up to date picture of the condition of these landscape, alongside pressures. This will help the Council monitor impacts of any subsequent development proposals.</li> <li>Utilising details of planning consents granted where sites on the inventory gardens and designed landscapes are affected – this will help to identify if negative impacts have been experienced and if the integrity of this area has been preserved.</li> <li>Liaison with Historic Environment Scotland may be required.</li> </ul> <p><u>Mitigation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LDP2 contain a robust policy which details the requirements for proposals which are likely to affect gardens and designed landscapes (HE4).</li> <li>The LDP2 also contains a specific policy relating to Loudoun Castle Estate (TOUR6) setting out clear expectations which will reduce negative impacts on the GDL while facilitating sensitive and considerate development of the site.</li> </ul>	EAC	2024-2034
Historic Battlefields	<p>To monitor the impact of the LDP2 on the historic environment.</p> <p>All historic environmental features are protected within East Ayrshire.</p>	<p>Preserve the integrity of sites listed on the inventory of Historic Battlefields</p>	<p><u>Monitoring:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementation and effectiveness of LDP2 historic environment policies HE1-HE4.</li> <li>Monitoring of information contained within the East Ayrshire State of Environment Report 2019 (or any subsequent updated versions) relating to cultural heritage.</li> <li>Utilising details of planning consents granted where sites on the inventory historic battlefields are affected – this will help to identify if negative impacts have been experienced and if the integrity of this area has been preserved.</li> <li>Liaison with Historic Environment Scotland may be required.</li> </ul> <p><u>Mitigation:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LDP2 contains a policy which seeks to protect historic battlefields from inappropriate development (HE3), the implementation of which will mitigate against negative impacts.</li> </ul>	EAC	2024-2034



## **10. Next Steps**

- 10.1. Following the adoption of Local Development Plan 2 and publication of this associated Environmental Report, the Council will need to publish a Post-Adoption SEA Statement which will be submitted to the SEA Gateway.
- 10.2. Following the adoption of the Local Development Plan 2, the Council will be responsible for implementing the contents of the LDP2 and monitoring its potential impacts.

## **Use of Acronyms**

This lists the acronyms used within this document:

CARS → Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme

EAC → East Ayrshire Council

EALDP → East Ayrshire Local Development Plan (Adopted 2017)

EIA → Environmental Impact Assessment

GIS → Geographic information system

HES → Historic Environment Scotland

HRA → Habitat Regulations Appraisal

IER → Interim Environmental Report

LDP2 → Local Development Plan 2

MIR → Main Issues Report

NPF3 → National Planning Framework 3

PIP → Priorities, Issues and Proposals

PPS → Plans, Programmes and Strategies

SPP → Scottish Planning Policy

SEA → Strategic Environmental Assessment

SEPA → Scottish Environmental Protection Agency

WoSAS → West of Scotland Archaeological Service



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