

Strategic Environmental Assessment Screening Determination

**Notice of the Determination that the proposed
Parking Strategy for East Dunbartonshire will not require to go
through the
Strategic Environmental Assessment process**

Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005

As required under the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005, East Dunbartonshire Council has reviewed the likely significance of the environmental effects of the proposed Parking Strategy for East Dunbartonshire.

East Dunbartonshire Council has made a determination under Section 8(1) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 that the Strategy is unlikely to result in significant environmental effects. The Parking Strategy for East Dunbartonshire will therefore not be subject to a Strategic Environmental Assessment.

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Relevant Documents:

- SEA Screening Determination Notification to Consultation Authorities on 6th January 2020
- Screening Report submitted to Consultation Authorities on 20th November 2019
- Responses from the Consultation Authorities:
 - Covering Letter from Scottish Government SEA Gateway
 - Response from Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH)
 - Response from Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA)
 - Response from Historic Environment Scotland

Date: 6th January 2020

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Dear Sirs,

**SEA Screening Determination
A Parking Strategy for East Dunbartonshire**

I refer to your letter dated 24th December 2019 outlining the responses from the Consultation Authorities to the Screening Report that was submitted on 26th November 2019 in relation to the proposed Parking Strategy for East Dunbartonshire.

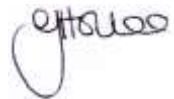
The Consultation Authorities are in agreement with the Council that the Policy is unlikely to have significant environmental effects. On 6th January 2020 East Dunbartonshire Council made a determination under Section 8(1) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 that the Parking Strategy for East Dunbartonshire will not have significant environmental effects. Therefore, no further stages of SEA will be required.

A copy of the screening determination will be available for inspection during normal office hours at Broomhill Industrial Estate, Kilsyth Road, Kirkintilloch, G66 1TP and on the Council website at www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/S-E-A. An advert will also be placed in the Kirkintilloch Herald and Milngavie and Bearsden Herald to publicise the screening determination.

In accordance with Section 10(1) of the Act, a copy of the screening determination is enclosed and I would be obliged if you could forward this onto the Consultation Authorities.

If you have any further queries, please don't hesitate to contact Lauren Hollas (SEA Officer) on 0141 578 8532.

Yours faithfully,



Lauren Hollas
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SCREENING REPORT

STEP 1 – DETAILS OF THE PLAN

Responsible Authority:

East Dunbartonshire Council

Title of the plan:

A Parking Strategy for East Dunbartonshire

What prompted the plan:

(e.g. a legislative, regulatory or administrative provision)

The draft Local Transport Strategy 2020 – 2025 included actions relating to parking following a high volume of parking-related issues identified through the consultation held on the Transport Options Report.

There is also new legislation being delivered through the Transport (Scotland) Bill which will have major implications for parking legislation and Council enforcement.

Plan subject:

(e.g. transport)

Transport

Screening is required by the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005.

Based on Boxes 3 and 4, our view is that:

An SEA is required, as the environmental effects are likely to be significant: Please indicate below what Section of the 2005 Act this plan falls within

Section 5(3)

Section 5(4)

An SEA is not required, as the environmental effects are unlikely to be significant: Please indicate below what Section of the 2005 Act this plan falls within

Section 5(3)

Section 5(4)

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26th November 2019

STEP 2 – CONTEXT AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

Context of the Plan:

A Parking Strategy for East Dunbartonshire will incorporate parking legislation outlined in the Transport (Scotland) Bill as well as set out high level policies for the control and enforcement of parking in line with East Dunbartonshire's Local Transport Strategy (LTS) Transport Planning Objectives (TPOs) and other statutory legislation. It is intended that policies contained within the Strategy will be directly from and contribute to LTS TPOs.

Description of the Plan:

Overall, the Strategy will ensure that the Council's approach to parking across the whole of East Dunbartonshire can contribute towards the delivery of EDC's LTS TPOs. The Strategy will also provide a rationale for parking-related decision making in order to enhance coordination of parking matters across Council services. It is intended that the Strategy will also contribute to a more strategic approach to the development of Decriminalised Parking Enforcement and support a rationale for Traffic Regulation Orders.

The proposed objectives are to:

- Develop parking policies derived from LTS TPOs on a wide variety of parking topics.
- Provide a consistent approach to parking across East Dunbartonshire
- Provide a strategy for the management of parking in town centres, residential areas, schools and stations/travel hubs
- Provide a strategy for the management of parking in specific locations e.g. Council estate / Southbank Campus, Kirk Road Car Park
- Provide a Council strategy for managing Transport Bill parking proposals / on street parking / street parking with bays
- Allow income generation to ensure DPE is sustainable
- Ensure parking is managed to provide enhanced safety for all road users

The Strategy will be accompanied by an Action Plan which will detail the actions the Council will take to implement the LTS TPOs and high level policies for the area and individual areas including in the LTS. This will include the development of future car parking plans and potentially Transport Regulation Orders that will be required.

It should be noted that proposed actions within the Parking Strategy will align with the TPOs.

What are the key components of the plan?

The Strategy is underpinned by the Transport Planning Objectives set out in East Dunbartonshire Council's Local Transport Strategy. This will largely define the Strategy's vision, although it is likely to contain its own set of objectives as outlined above. These are considered to be the key components of the Strategy.

Have any of the components of the plan been considered in previous SEA work?

Only the LTS TPOs have been considered in previous SEA work.

In terms of your response to Boxes 7 and

The components that are likely to require screening are the proposed objectives.

8 above, set out those components of the plan that are likely to require screening:

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**STEP 3 – IDENTIFYING INTERACTIONS OF THE PLAN WITH THE ENVIRONMENT AND
CONSIDERING THE LIKELY SIGNIFICANCE OF ANY INTERACTIONS (Error! Reference source not found.)**

| Plan Components: Proposed Objectives | Environmental Topic Areas | | | | | | | | | | Explanation of Potential Environmental Effects | Explanation of Significance |
|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|------|-------|-----|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------|------------------------------|---|---|
| | Biodiversity, flora and fauna | Population and human health | Soil | Water | Air | Climatic factors | Material assets | Cultural heritage | Landscape | Inter-relationship issues | | |
| Develop parking policies derived from LTS TPOs on a wide variety of parking topics | x | ✓ | x | x | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | x | x | x | Overall, it is anticipated that the proposed objectives for the Parking Strategy will present impacts to four of the environmental factors in line with those identified for the Local Transport Strategy (LTS); Population and Human Health, Air Quality, Climatic Factors and Material Assets. Providing a strategy for managing parking in locations with existing parking issues, such as town centres, schools, stations and the Council estate, as well as responding to the requirements of the Transport Bill in relation to on-street parking and parking bays, has | There is the potential for significant positive environmental impacts to Population and Human Health, Air Quality, Climatic Factors and Material Assets, although it is anticipated that many of the effects will be localised and delivered in the long-term. The nature of the effects is anticipated to be similar to those outlined for each of the TPOs of the LTS. |
| Provide a consistent approach to parking across East Dunbartonshire | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | | |
| Provide a strategy for the management of parking in town centres, residential areas, schools and stations/travel hubs | x | ✓ | x | x | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | x | x | x | | |

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| Provide a strategy for the management of parking in specific locations e.g. Council estate / Southbank Campus, Kirk Road Car Park | x | ✓ | x | x | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | x | x | x | <p>the potential to manage and reduce associated vehicle emissions in key areas, as well as potentially discourage the use of cars whilst encouraging the use of other, more sustainable, modes of transport. The Strategy is also likely to include options for bike parking facilities which will also provide better, more accessible options for people to engage in active travel.</p> <p>Furthermore, the Strategy will also consider the role of improved parking in East Dunbartonshire for the safety of our communities e.g. by restricting inconsiderate parking, contribute to the local economy by ensuring a turnover of vehicles parked in town centres and by considering options for people to have better access to key services and facilities.</p> |
| Provide a Council strategy for managing Transport Bill parking proposals / on street parking / street parking with bays | x | ✓ | x | x | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | x | x | x | |
| Allow income generation to ensure DPE is sustainable | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | |
| Ensure parking is managed to provide enhanced safety for all road users | x | ✓ | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | x | |

STEP 4 – STATEMENT OF THE FINDINGS OF THE SCREENING

Summary of interactions with the environment and statement of the findings of the Screening:

(Including an outline of the likely significance of any interactions, positive or negative, and explanation of conclusion of the screening exercise.)

Whilst the Screening process has identified that the Parking Strategy is likely to present environmental impacts to Population and Human Health, Air Quality, Climatic Factors and Material Assets, with the potential for significant effects, the Strategy will align with the Transport Planning Objectives (TPOs) of the Local Transport Strategy (LTS), which acts as the more strategic level document and has recently undergone a full SEA (consultation 17/09/19 to 12/11/19). Given that it is intended that the Strategy will align with the principles of the LTS, it has been concluded in line with the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 that a full SEA for East Dunbartonshire's Parking Strategy will not be required.

When completed send to: SEA.gateway@scotland.gsi.gov.uk or to the SEA Gateway, Scottish Government, Area 2H (South), Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ.

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24 December 2019

Dear Lauren,

With reference to the Screening document you submitted on 26 November 2019.

The Consultation Authorities have now considered your screening request as per Section 9(3) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005. For convenience I have set out, in the table below, their individual views on whether there is a likelihood of significant environmental effects.

Please note, these are the views and opinions of the Consultation Authorities on the likelihood of significant environmental effects arising from the plan or programme and not a judgement on whether an SEA is required. It is therefore for the Responsible Authority to determine whether an SEA is required in the circumstances. I have attached the individual letters from the Consultation Authorities, outlining their views and opinions. Where possible the Consultation Authorities may have offered supplementary information and/or advice for you to consider, which you should find helpful.

| CONSULTATION AUTHORITY | LIKELIHOOD OF SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS |
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| Historic Environment Scotland | No |
| Scottish Environment Protection Agency | No |
| Scottish Natural Heritage | No |
| OVERALL VIEW ON LIKELIHOOD OF SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS | No |

As the Consultation Authorities have now notified you of their views, you should now refer to the 2005 Act to consider your next step. You should of course take into account the advice offered by the Consultation Authorities.

You should note, as per Section 10 of the 2005 Act, within 28 days of your determination about whether an SEA is required or not, a copy of the determination and any related statement of reasons must be passed to the Consultation Authorities. This may be done via the SEA Gateway.

If you have any queries or would like me to clarify any points, please call me on 0131 244 7242.

Kind regards,

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Date: 6 December 2019
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Your ref: 01504

Dear Ms Hollas

Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005
East Dunbartonshire Council – A Parking Strategy for East Dunbartonshire
Screening Determination

Thank you for your screening report submitted on 26 November 2019 via the Scottish Government SEA Gateway in respect of the above plan.

SNH has considered your screening report using the criteria set out in Schedule 2 of the 2005 Act. In terms of our interests, we agree that the above Plan is not likely to have significant environmental effects.

Please note that this consultation response provides a view solely on the potential for the plan or programme to have significant environmental effects. We cannot comment on whether or not the plan or programme meets other criteria determining the need for SEA as set out in the Act.

Should you wish to discuss this screening determination, please do not hesitate to contact Natalie Ward on 0131 314 6778 or via SNH's SEA Gateway at sea_gateway@nature.scot.

Yours sincerely

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19 December 2019

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 A Parking Strategy - Screening Report

Thank you for your Screening Report consultation which SEPA received via the Scottish Government SEA Gateway on 26 November 2019.

In accordance with Section 9(3) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 we have considered your screening report using the criteria set out in Schedule 2 for determining the likely significance of effects on the environment. Having reviewed the Screening Report, we consider that in respect of our main areas of interest (air, water, soil, human health, material assets (of which we have a specific interest in waste) and climatic factors) the Parking Strategy for East Dunbartonshire is unlikely to have significant environmental effects that have not already been subject to SEA. We note that the Transport Planning Objectives and the Local transport Strategy have been considered in previous SEA work. Although we are of the view that new significant environmental effects are not likely, it is for the East Dunbartonshire as Responsible Authority to make a formal determination taking into account the consultation responses received.

We are committed to providing early and focused advice and supporting continuous engagement and therefore if it is determined that SEA is required we would welcome the opportunity to meet with you and discuss these issues prior to the formal consultation.

Should you wish to discuss this screening consultation please do not hesitate to contact me on (01698) 839 000 or via our SEA Gateway at sea.gateway@sepa.org.uk.

Yours faithfully

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18 December 2019

Dear Ms Hollas

Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005
East Dunbartonshire Council - A Parking Strategy for East Dunbartonshire

Screening Report

Thank you for your consultation which we received on 26 November 2019 about the above screening report. We have reviewed the screening report in our role as a Consultation Authority under the above Act, in accordance with the requirements of Section 9(3). In doing so we have used the criteria set out in Schedule 2 for determining the likely significance of the effects on the environment. Please note that our view is based on main area of interest for the historic environment.

Our understanding is that this strategy will set objectives and actions for parking in order to deliver the Transport Planning Objectives from East Dunbartonshire's Local Transport Strategy (LTS).

We welcome the screening exercise that has been carried out on the proposed objectives of the strategy but would note the commentary does not match the ticks in the matrix. We have assumed that the commentary is correct in that the environmental factors that have been identified as having the potential for being impacted upon are Population and Human Health, Air Quality, Climatic Factors and Material Assets (not Cultural Heritage as indicated in the matrix).

We note from the report that you consider that, as the proposed objectives and actions align with the Local Transport Strategy (which was subject to environmental assessment) the strategy in itself is unlikely to have significant effects on the environment that have not been assessed as part of the LTS. In light of this and the information contained within the screening report we are content to agree that significant effects on the historic environment are unlikely.

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However, as you will be aware, it is the responsibility of East Dunbartonshire Council as the Responsible Authority to determine whether the guidance requires an environmental assessment and to inform the Consultation Authorities accordingly.

We hope this is helpful. Please contact us if you have any questions about this response. The officer managing this case is Andrew Stevenson who can be contacted by phone on 0131 668 8960 or by email on andrew.stevenson2@hes.scot.

Yours sincerely

Historic Environment Scotland