

Strategic Environmental Assessment Screening Determination

**Notice of the Determination that the proposed
Health and Social Care Partnership Strategic Plan
will not be required 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 HSCP Strategic Plan.

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

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Relevant Documents:

- SEA Screening Determination Notification to Consultation Authorities on 16th July 2021
- Screening Report submitted to Consultation Authorities on 4th June 2021
- Responses from the Consultation Authorities:
 - Covering Letter from Scottish Government SEA Gateway
 - Response from Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA)
 - Response from NatureScot
 - Response from Historic Environment Scotland

Date: 16th July 2021

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SEA Gateway Administrators,

**SEA Screening Determination
Health and Social Care Partnership Strategic Plan**

I refer to your letter dated 2nd July 2021 outlining the responses from the Consultation Authorities to the Screening Report that was submitted on 4th June 2021 in relation to the proposed HSCP Strategic Plan.

The Consultation Authorities are in agreement with the Council that the Strategic Plan is unlikely to have significant environmental effects. On 15th July 2021 East Dunbartonshire Council made a determination under Section 8(1) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 that the HSCP Strategic Plan is unlikely to have significant environmental effects. Therefore, the Strategic Plan will not be subject to a Strategic Environmental Assessment and an Environmental Report will not be prepared alongside the document.

A copy of the screening determination will be available for inspection on the Council website at www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk. 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 Neil Samson on 0141 578 8615.

Yours faithfully,



Neil Samson
Strategic Environmental Assessment Technical Officer

SCREENING REPORT

STEP 1 – DETAILS OF THE PLAN

Responsible Authority:

East Dunbartonshire Health and Social Care Partnership

Title of the plan:

HSCP Strategic Plan

What prompted the plan:

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

Statutory requirement to prepare a Strategic Plan set out in the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014

Plan subject:

(e.g. transport)

The main areas covered are primary and community health, social work and social care, wellbeing, equality and related housing provision.

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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4th June 2021

STEP 2 – CONTEXT AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

Context of the Plan:

The East Dunbartonshire Health and Social Care Partnership Board (EDHSCP) is a legally constituted Integrated Joint Board and local authority body corporate. It has delegated authority for a range of health and social care functions. The Board is responsible for the overall delegated budget and sets out in its Strategic Plan how this budget will be used to deliver statutory functions and improve national health and wellbeing outcomes for the population of East Dunbartonshire. The EDHSCP comprises elected members of East Dunbartonshire Council and non-executive director of Greater Glasgow and Clyde NHS Board. It also comprises a range of professional and stakeholder representatives, including the third and independent sectors, service users, carers and trades unions.

The HSCP Strategic Planning Group is an officer group that supports the HSCP, which has an important role in scrutinising the Strategic Plan as it develops, the membership of which is designed to reflect a wide range of partners and stakeholders.

There are a number of representative consultees that either live or operate in East Dunbartonshire who must be included in the Strategic Plan participation and engagement process, by statute. These are called the “prescribed consultees”:

- The local authority and Health Board
- Social care and health professionals
- Users of health and/or social care services
- Carers of users of health and/or social care services
- Commercial providers of health and/or social care
- Non-commercial providers of health and/or social care
- Staff of the Health Board and local authority who are not health professionals or social care professionals
- Non-commercial providers of social housing
- Third sector bodies carrying out activities related to health or social care
- Neighbouring HSCPs

Description of the Plan:

The strategic priorities have still to be agreed through our consultation process with our stakeholders.

For guidance, there are 8 draft priorities from the last plan which the new Plan will be based around:

- PRIORITY 1. Promote positive health and wellbeing, preventing ill-health, and building strong communities
- PRIORITY 2. Enhance the quality of life and supporting independence for people, particularly those with long-term conditions
- PRIORITY 3. Keep people out of hospital when care can be delivered closer to home
- PRIORITY 4. Address inequalities and support people to have more choice and control
- PRIORITY 5. People have a positive experience of health and social care services
- PRIORITY 6. Promote independent living through the provision of suitable housing accommodation and support

	<p>PRIORITY 7. Improve support for Carers enabling them to continue in their caring role</p> <p>PRIORITY 8. Optimise efficiency, effectiveness and flexibility</p> <p>The spatial scope of the Strategy is limited to East Dunbartonshire Council area.</p>
<p>What are the key components of the plan?</p>	<p>The priorities set out above are the key components of the Plan at this stage and the overall purpose/aim.</p>
<p>Have any of the components of the plan been considered in previous SEA work?</p>	<p>The content of the Plan will be new information that has not been considered as part of previous SEA work for any other PPS. However, the content will not set a framework for other projects or future development consents and will be developed in line with all other relevant PPS in relation East Dunbartonshire which have been subject to SEA, including the Local Development Plan and Local Housing Strategy.</p> <p>The plan is influenced by national and local policy drivers, the Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, Partnership, Stakeholder and Public consultation and engagement as well as benchmarking and best practice.</p> <p>The plan will also inform the EDHSCP annual delivery plan, quarterly performance reports, the Annual Performance Report, commissioning strategy, and financial plan.</p>
<p>In terms of your response to Boxes 7 and 8 above, set out those components of the plan that are likely to require screening:</p>	<p>The component that is likely to require screening is the overall purpose/aim and priorities (set out above).</p> <p>To improve or maintain the health and wellbeing of the people in East Dunbartonshire, and support them to remain in their own home or homely setting where possible.</p>

**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	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		
Strategic Plan Aim (draft)	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	<p>After reviewing the draft overall aim and priorities for the Strategic Plan, there is unlikely to be any significant impacts through its development and implementation.</p> <p>The overall impact is likely to be positive in nature, particularly through the potential improvements and measures that will be developed through the Plan in relation to equality, health and wellbeing.</p>	
	<p><i>To improve or maintain the health and wellbeing of the people in East Dunbartonshire, and support them to remain in their own home or homely setting where possible.</i></p>											
Draft Priorities for the Draft Strategic Plan	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	<p>The Plan will align with the EDC Local Development Plan 2 (Proposed Plan) and its extensive policy framework along with the Local Housing Strategy and together will ensure the continued improvement to the health and wellbeing of the people of East Dunbartonshire.</p>	
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PRIORITY 7. Improve support for Carers enabling them to continue in their caring role
PRIORITY 8. Optimise efficiency, effectiveness and flexibility

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.)

As outlined in the above initial components review (Box 10), there is potential for the Strategy to provide impacts in relation to health and wellbeing, relating to the **Population and Human Health** environment topic area. Any impacts identified through the development of the Strategy and related projects and activities will be undertaken in line with the existing policy framework for East Dunbartonshire, which have been subject to SEA.

It is the Councils view that the overall environmental impacts of the Plan are not likely to be significant. Therefore, it has been determined that, under Section 5(4) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005, a full SEA is not 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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01651 - Screening - East Dunbartonshire Council - HSCP Strategic Plan
02/07/2021

Dear Neil,

With reference to the Screening document you submitted on 04 June 2021.

The Consultation Authorities have now considered your screening request as per **Section 9(3)** of the **Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005**. I have attached the individual letters from the Consultation Authorities, outlining their views and opinions.

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. Where possible the Consultation Authorities may have offered supplementary information and/or advice for you to consider, which you should find helpful.

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, that 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 0078.

Kind regards,

Clare Donnelly
SEA Gateway Administrator

Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005
01651 - Screening - East Dunbartonshire Council - HSCP Strategic Plan
Screening report

Thank you for consulting SEPA on this Screening Report by way of your email of 7 June 2021. In accordance with Section 9(3) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 we have reviewed the screening report using the criteria set out in Schedule 2 of the Act. In regard to our main areas of interest (air, water, soil, human health, material assets and climatic factors) **we agree with the conclusions of the screening report** that the proposed PPS is **unlikely to have** significant environmental effects.

Although we are of the view that significant environmental effects are unlikely, it is for the Responsible Authority to make a formal determination taking into account the consultation responses received.

If you would like to discuss this consultation response please do not hesitate to contact me by email via our SEA Gateway at sea.gateway@sepa.org.uk.

Yours sincerely
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30 June 2021

Dear Mr Samson,

**The Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005
Health & Social Care Partnership Strategic Plan**

I refer to your screening consultation submitted on 07 June 2021 via the Scottish Government SEA Gateway in respect of the above Strategic Plan.

In accordance with Section 9(3) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005, SNH has considered your screening report using the criteria set out in Schedule 2 for determining the likely significance of effects on the environment.

We agree with your conclusion that the above Strategic 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 in terms of the natural heritage. 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 advice, please do not hesitate to contact me at dave.lang@nature.scot or via NatureScot's SEA Gateway at SEA_GATEWAY@nature.scot.

Yours sincerely

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Dear Neil Samson

Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005
01651 Screening- East Dunbartonshire Council - HSCP Strategic Plan

Screening Report

Thank you for your consultation which we received on 04 June 2021 about the above screening report. We have reviewed this 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.

Historic Environment Scotland's view

In light of the information and reasoning set out within the screening report, we **agree** with your view that there are **unlikely to be significant environmental effects for the historic environment**.

Next steps

The Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 requires you as the Responsible Authority to determine whether an environmental assessment is required. You must then notify the Consultation Authorities within 28 days of making this determination. This may be done via the SEA Gateway (sea.gateway@gov.scot).

We hope our advice is helpful to you in making this determination. Please feel welcome to contact us if you have any questions about this response. The officer managing this case is Virginia Sharp who can be contacted by phone on 0131 668 8704 or by email on Virginia.Sharp@hes.scot.

Yours sincerely

Historic Environment Scotland