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Dear Mr Ballantine

Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 01474 Screening - Perth and Kinross Council - Forestry and Woodland Strategy

## **Screening Report**

Thank you for your consultation which we received on 27 June 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 from the supplied screening report is that this strategy will support and guidance on Policy 38 of the Proposed Local Development Plan. We also note that the strategy will involve minor updates to the existing adopted strategy which was assessed in 2013 prior to its adoption. We note that it is the Council's consideration that as both the previous strategy and the LDP have been subject to full assessment, the updated strategy in itself is unlikely to lead to significant environmental effects. In light of this and the further information contained within the screening report we are content to agree that the strategy is unlikely to have significant effects on the historic environment.

However, as you will be aware, it is the responsibility of Perth and Kinross Council as the Responsible Authority to determine whether the strategy 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 <u>andrew.stevenson2@hes.scot</u>

Yours faithfully

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