

ADDENDUM TO HABITATS REGULATIONS ASSESSMENT OF LEICESTERSHIRE MINERALS AND WASTE LOCAL PLAN

1. This report sets out a screening assessment of the Proposed Changes to the Pre-Submission Draft Leicestershire Minerals and Waste Local Plan.
2. Proposed Change PC4 involves an amendment to Policy W8 (Waste Disposal) which includes new site specific proposals for the disposal of inert waste. None of the proposals lie within the catchment area of the River Mease. It is consequently considered that the development of these sites would not affect the integrity of the River Mease SAC.
3. The remaining Proposed Changes involve amendments to supporting text and plans. None of these changes would have an effect upon the Mease SAC.
4. It is therefore concluded that no likely significant effects on European Sites either alone or in combination with other projects and plans will result from the implementation of the Proposed Changes to the Plan.
5. An assessment of the Proposed Changes to the Pre-Submission Draft Minerals and Waste Local Plan has not identified any likely significant effects to Natura 2000 sites, specifically the River Mease SAC, and hence the Appropriate Assessment stage of the process is not required.