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Dear Ms. McCluskie,  
**Burghwallis Neighbourhood Development Plan  
Strategic Environmental Assessment Screening Opinion**

Thank you for consulting Historic England in connection with the Screening Opinion for the need for a Strategic Environmental Assessment for the Burghwallis Neighbourhood Plan prepared for Burghwallis Parish Council.

We refer to your e-mail of 11 June 2015 and the enclosed Screening Opinion for the above document. For the purposes of this consultation, Historic England will confine its advice to the question, "Is it likely to have a significant effect on the environment?" in respect of our area of concern, cultural heritage. Our comments are based on the information supplied with the Screening Opinion.

The Screening Statement indicates that the Council considers that the SPD will not affect any 'special natural characteristics or cultural heritage' in the area.

On the basis of the information supplied, and in the context of the criteria set out in Schedule 1 of the Environmental Assessment Regulations [Annex II of 'SEA' Directive], Historic England concurs with the Council that the preparation of a Strategic Environmental Assessment is not required.

The views of the other three statutory consultation bodies should be taken into account before the overall decision on the need for an SEA is made.

We should be pleased if you can send a copy of the determination as required by REG 11 of the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004.



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We should like to stress that this opinion is based on the information provided by you with your e-mail dated 11 June 2015. To avoid any doubt, this does not reflect our obligation to provide further advice on later stages of the SA/SEA process and, potentially, object to specific proposals which may subsequently arise (either as a result of this consultation or in later versions of the plan/guidance) where we consider that, despite the SA/SEA, these would have an adverse effect upon the environment.

Historic England strongly advises that the conservation and archaeological staff of the Doncaster Council are closely involved throughout the preparation of the plan and its assessment. They are best placed to advise on; local historic environment issues and priorities, including access to data held in the HER (formerly SMR); how the policy or proposal can be tailored to minimise potential adverse impacts on the historic environment; the nature and design of any required mitigation measures; and opportunities for securing wider benefits for the future conservation and management of historic assets.

Yours sincerely



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