

Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency on the revised draft version of your Neighbourhood Plan.

We are a statutory consultee in the planning process providing advice to Local Authorities and developers on pre-application enquiries, planning applications, appeals and strategic plans. We aim to reduce flood risk, while protecting and enhancing the water environment. We have had to focus our detailed engagement to those areas where the environmental risks are greatest.

Based on the environmental constraints within the area, we therefore have no detailed comments to make in relation to your Plan at this stage. However please find attached a copy of a Neighbourhood Plan checklist we have recently developed to help provide Environment Agency advice at the earlier stages of Neighbourhood Plan preparation.

Kind regards

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