

FALKIRK

Local Development Plan²

Proposed Plan

Strategic Environmental Assessment Revised Environmental Report

**Appendix 7: SEA screening of post examination modifications to the
Proposed Falkirk Local Development Plan 2**

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1 Introduction

- 1.1 Appendix 7 presents the SEA screening of the Reporters' recommended modifications to the Proposed Falkirk Local Development Plan 2 as stated in the [Examination Report](#), published on 31 March 2020. The appendix is an addendum to the [Revised Environmental Report](#) and appraises the plan as modified by the recommended modifications, thereby updating the report's findings.
- 1.2 The tables, overleaf, state each recommended modification along with a brief SEA screening conclusion. The modifications are listed per issue and the order that they appear in the Examination Report.

Issue	Reporter's recommended modifications	SEA screening conclusion
1. Vision	1. Amend the fifth sentence in paragraph 2.01 to read: <i>"Grangemouth hosts the largest chemical and petrochemical complex in Scotland..."</i> .	The modification is a factual change which poses no environmental effects.
1. Vision	2. Insert in paragraph 2.01 after the second sentence: <i>"It hosts many important designated wildlife sites, not least the internationally important habitats along the Forth Estuary"</i> .	The modification is a factual change which poses no environmental effects.
1. Vision	3. Insert in paragraph 2.02 after second sentence: <i>"The area supports a range of habitats and species that are locally, nationally and internationally important"</i> .	The modification is a factual change which poses no environmental effects.
1. Vision	4. Under the 'green network' objective in the vision (page 12) change "the environment of communities" to <i>"the environment and communities"</i> .	The modification is a typographical correction which poses no environmental effects.
2. Strategic Housing Land	1. Replace paragraph 3.13 with the following text: <i>"We therefore need to provide for new housing. Based on the Housing Needs and Demand Assessment, a housing supply target of 6,894 new homes has been set for the period 2017-2030 to facilitate this growth, of which 3,723 would be market housing and 3,171 affordable housing. This converts to an annual target of 530 homes, of which 244 would be affordable. To ensure that the housing land supply is sufficiently generous to allow for delays or problems in the delivery of sites, a flexibility allowance of 17% has been added giving an overall housing land requirement for 2017–2030 of 8,066. This generosity margin is the same as that used in the previous LDP1, to reflect that a large number of allocated sites in this plan have been carried forward from the previous plan."</i>	The SEA implications of this modification have already been considered under the 5 th recommendation for Issue 2: Strategic Housing Land.
2. Strategic Housing Land	2. In the first sentence of paragraph 3.14 replace '2020' with '2017'	No environmental effects. The modification is a minor consequential change to the supporting text which reflects the Reporter's modification to

		modify the starting year of the housing land requirement from 2020 to 2017.																																																																						
2. Strategic Housing Land	3. Amend the last sentence of paragraph 3.15 to read: <i>“Policy HC01 outlines the approach that will be taken in the event of a shortfall emerging during the plan period.”</i>	The modification is a factual change which poses no environmental effects.																																																																						
2. Strategic Housing Land	4. Add the following sentence to the beginning of paragraph 3.17: <i>“In the longer term, during the 2030-40 period it is currently broadly estimated that there may be a housing land requirement of around 4,500.”</i>	The SEA implications of this modification have already been considered under the 5 th recommendation for Issue 2: Strategic Housing Land.																																																																						
2. Strategic Housing Land	5. Amend Table 3.2 as follows:	<p>The Reporters disagreed with aspects of the Council’s methodology for calculating the housing land supply target. Consequently, they recommended increasing the annual target of new homes in the Council area from 450 to 530 (or 6,894 homes over the period 2017-2030). The Reporters also recommended that flexibility allowance be increased from 14% to 17%, ensuring the housing land supply remains sufficiently generous if there delays or problems in the delivery of some sites. The increased annual target and flexibility allowance resulted in a larger housing requirement, meaning more housing sites had to be allocated. As a result, the Reporters recommended the following sites be added to or amended in the Proposed Plan :</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="1435 1222 2063 1382"> <thead> <tr> <th>Site</th> <th>No. Units</th> <th>Comments</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Crawfield Road, Bo’ness</td> <td>450</td> <td>New housing allocation changed from green belt in Proposed Plan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>North Bank Farm,</td> <td>200</td> <td>New housing allocation changed from green belt</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Site	No. Units	Comments	Crawfield Road, Bo’ness	450	New housing allocation changed from green belt in Proposed Plan	North Bank Farm,	200	New housing allocation changed from green belt																																																													
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				Maddiston Fire Station	90	New housing allocation changed from business allocation in the Proposed Plan. Reflects recent planning application appeal decision.
				Gilston	500	New mixed use allocation changed from business allocation in the Proposed Plan.
				Slamannan Road 1, Limerigg	90	Restored LDP1 housing allocation which had been proposed for deletion in Proposed Plan. Reflects fact that planning permission in principle has been granted.
				Rosebank, North, Dunipace	130	New housing allocation changed from countryside in Proposed Plan.
				Stirling Road, Larbert	60	New housing allocation changed from countryside in Proposed Plan. Reflects recent planning application appeal decision.
				Glensburgh Road, Grangemou th	30	New mixed use allocation changed from business allocation in the Proposed Plan.
				<p>The increased housing land requirement is likely to have a range of significant positive and negative effects on the environment. These effects have already been considered through the Environmental Report's assessment of settlement growth options, including all the</p>		

		<p>above sites except Glensburgh which was appraised as a business and industrial proposal. However, the Report’s findings for Glensburgh are applicable to the site as either mixed use or business and industrial development.</p> <p>In SEA terms, the modifications concerning the housing supply target and housing land requirement do not materially alter the findings contained in the Environmental Report.</p>
2. Strategic Housing Land	6. Amend Map 3.3 ‘Spatial Strategy – Housing’ to reflect recommended amendments to table 3.2.	The SEA implications of this modification have already been considered under the 5 th recommendation for Issue 2: Strategic Housing Land.
2. Strategic Housing Land	7. Revise the first sentence of Policy HC01 (1) to read: <i>“The housing supply target is 6,894 homes for the period 2017–2030”</i> .	The SEA implications of the modifications relating to strategic housing land have already been considered under the 5 th recommendation for Issue 2: Strategic Housing Land.

<p>2. Strategic Housing Land</p>	<p>8. Revise Policy HC01 (2) as follows:</p> <p><i>“The Council will maintain at least 5 years’ supply of effective housing land to ensure that the Housing Supply Target is met in full over the development plan period. The Housing Land Audit is the primary source of evidence for monitoring the availability of effective housing land.</i></p> <p><i>If, during the period of the plan, a shortfall in the 5 year supply of effective land emerges, additional sites for housing will be supported where the proposal would constitute sustainable development, having regard to the relevant criteria in Scottish Planning Policy and other LDP policies. In such circumstances, the scale of the proposed development relative to the scale of the shortfall will be a material consideration. The Council may also impose specific time limits on any planning permissions granted, to ensure that housing is delivered to a timescale that will address the identified shortfall.”</i></p> <p>9. Delete the bulleted criteria in Policy HC01 (2).</p>	<p>Policy HC01 has already been assessed in the Revised Environmental Report. This modification, which alters the wording of the policy and deletes superfluous criteria, does not materially change the results of the previous assessment.</p>
<p>2. Strategic Housing Land</p>	<p>10. Amend the third sentence of paragraph 4.32 to read: <i>“The LDP assumes that such sites will yield a contribution of around 650 homes over the period 2017-2030 ...”</i>.</p>	<p>The SEA implications of the modifications relating to strategic housing land t have already been considered under the 5th recommendation for Issue 2: Strategic Housing Land.</p>
<p>2. Strategic Housing Land</p>	<p>11. Replace the second sentence of paragraph 4.33 with the following text: <i>“The Housing Needs and Demand Assessment demonstrates the continuing need for new affordable housing in the area. Out of the 6,894 homes required by the Housing Supply Target between 2017-2030, 3171 of these are anticipated to be</i></p>	<p>The SEA implications of the modifications relating to strategic housing land have already been considered under the 5th recommendation for Issue 2: Strategic Housing Land.</p>

	<i>affordable.”</i>	
3. Bo’ness Housing Sites	<p>1. Allocate site 102, Crawfield Road, Bo’ness for housing, with an indicative capacity of 450 units (Modifications Map *). Amend Proposals Map 6 to show allocation, and include the following information for this site in Appendix 1 of the plan:</p> <p><i>“LDP Ref: H55 MIR Ref: Site Name: Crawfield Road Site Size (ha): 27.4 Housing Capacity: 450</i></p> <p><i>Site Comments: New housing supply site. Forms Bo’ness South West Strategic Growth Area. Major area of change - see separate guidance”.</i></p> <p>Development Guidance for this site to adopt the text and mapping from the Proposed Plan Committee Draft, June 2018, pages 66 and 67. The following text should be added to ‘Other Requirements’: <i>“For permission to be granted, proposals must be accompanied by project-specific information to inform a Habitats Regulations Appraisal. This will allow Falkirk Council to complete a Habitats Regulations Appraisal, including appropriate assessment if required, demonstrating that there will be no adverse effects on the integrity of the Firth of Forth Special Protection Area, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects.”</i></p>	<p>The modification inserts Site 102, Crawfield Road, Bo’ness as an additional housing the site in the Proposed LDP2. However, Site 102 - Crawfield Road, Bo’ness has already been assessed in the Environmental Report as a preferred option for sustainable community growth in Bo’ness. The potential for the site’s development to have potentially positive and adverse effects was recognised in the report, and the modification does not materially change the previous assessment of the site.</p> <p>Environmental mitigation and enhancement measures are built into plan via plan policy and the Major Area of Change guidance.</p>

<p>3. Bo’ness Housing Sites</p>	<p>2. Allocate a site for housing development at North Bank Farm, Bo’ness, with the site boundary as per the boundary in document RD10 North Bank Farm Indicative Development Framework - Option A (Modifications Map*). Amend Proposals Map 6 to show allocation, and include the following information for this site in Appendix 1 of the plan: <i>“LDP Ref: H56 MIR Ref: 103 Site Name: North Bank Farm Site size (ha): 11.5 Housing capacity (units): 200</i></p> <p><i>Site Comments: New housing supply site. Masterplan required. Upgrade to Borrowstoun Road required and vehicular link(s) to Drum Farm South (MU02) should be explored. Pedestrian and cycle link(s) to MU02 required. Transport Assessment required. Mitigation measures may be required, which may include contributions to sustainable travel. Flood risk and drainage impact assessments required.</i></p> <p><i>Planting required to establish robust realigned green belt boundary and settlement edge to south and east. 15% affordable housing required. Contributions to education provision required in accordance with the relevant supplementary guidance. Impact on other community infrastructure, including healthcare facilities, will also require to be assessed and mitigated as necessary.”</i></p> <p>3. Amend the Development Guidance for the Drum Farm Major Area of Change (pages 64-65) to include an additional bullet point under “Key Principles, Drum Farm South (M01)” after the first bullet point:</p>	<p>The modification inserts Site 103 North Bank Farm, Bo’ness as an additional housing site in the Proposed LDP2. However, the site has already been assessed in the Environmental Report as an alternative option for sustainable community growth in Bo’ness. The potential for the site’s development to have potentially positive and adverse effects was recognised in the report, and the modification does not materially change the previous assessment of the site.</p> <p>Environmental mitigation and enhancement measures are built into plan via plan policy and the site comments.</p>
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	<p><i>“Vehicular link(s) to North Bank Farm (H56) should be explored. Pedestrian and cycle link(s) to site H56 required.”</i></p> <p>4. Update the Drum Farm Development Guidance plan to include the connections to the south, to reflect the textual changes in (3) above.</p>	
4. Bonnybridge & Banknock Housing Sites	<p>1. In the Development Guidance for the Banknock Major Area of Change (page 68), under Banknock South (H08), fifth bullet point, replace “Woodland to be retained along southern part of site” with <i>“Woodland to be retained and enhanced along southern part of site where possible. Proposals for tree removal to be accompanied by a tree survey and tree protection plan.”</i></p>	<p>The site has been previously assessed as part of housing growth proposals for Bonnybridge and Banknock in the Revised Environmental Report and the potential for the site to have negative effects on biodiversity (through loss of broadleaved woodland habitat) was noted with mitigation built into the Proposed Plan via planning policy and the Major Area of Change guidance. The modification clarifies and strengthens that mitigation.</p>
4. Bonnybridge & Banknock Housing Sites	<p>2. In the Development Guidance for the Banknock Major Area of Change (page 68), under Banknock South (H08), tenth bullet point, replace “Upgrading required to M80 Junction 7 slip roads and their junction with A803 prior to commencement of development with <i>“Upgrading required to M80 Junction 7 slip roads and their junction with A803”</i>.”</p>	<p>The modification poses no SEA implications by correcting a minor typographical error.</p>
4. Bonnybridge & Banknock Housing Sites	<p>3. In the Development Guidance for the Banknock Major Area of Change (page 68), under ‘Other Requirements’, at the end of the fourth bullet point add <i>“...as may be necessary and proportionate</i></p>	<p>The modification is a minor text addition which poses no SEA implications.</p>
5. Maddiston & Rumford Housing Sites	<p>1. Identify the BUS22 Maddiston fire station site as a housing allocation. Amend Proposals Map 5 to show changed use, and amend the information for this site in Appendix 1 of the plan as</p>	<p>The modification alters the Proposed Plan’s allocation of the site from business, retail and community uses to housing. In the</p>

	<p>follows:</p> <p><i>“LDP Ref: H57 MIR Ref: 140 Site Name: Maddiston Fire Station Site Size (ha): 3.8 Housing Capacity (units): 90</i></p> <p><i>Site Comments: New housing supply site. Contributions towards the provision of education and health facilities required. 25% affordable housing required. Planning permission granted.”</i></p>	<p>Environmental Report, the site was assessed as part of the housing growth proposals for the Braes and Rural South. The potential for the site’s development to have potentially positive and adverse effects was recognised in the report, and the modification does not materially change the previous assessment of the site. Environmental mitigation and enhancement measures are built into the plan via plan policy.</p> <p>The site has secured planning permission in principle for residential development, and the potential environmental effects of this development have been considered in more detail through the planning application process and subsequent appeal.</p>
<p>5. Maddiston & Rumford Housing Sites</p>	<p>2. Amend the map as part of the Development Guidance for the Maddiston East Major Area of Change (page 77) to show Proposal GN14. Add the following text to Key Principles (Vehicular and Pedestrian Access, third bullet): <i>“Delivery of this access should not undermine the delivery of green network priorities in Proposal GN14”.</i></p>	<p>The modification concerns the site at Parkhall Farm 3 (H15) which was assessed in the Environmental Report as part the housing growth proposals for the Braes and Rural South. The potential for the site to have negative effects on the connectivity of Manuel Burn was recognised and mitigation was suggested but not incorporated into the plan. The modification addresses this omission.</p>
<p>6. Polmont Housing Sites</p>	<p>1. Replace paragraph 5.17 with the following text provided in paragraph 5.16 of the Proposed Plan Committee Draft, June 2018:</p> <p><i>“The population of the Lower Braes are has been relatively stable over the last 5 years, with relatively little housebuilding. Land at</i></p>	<p>The modification is a consequential change arising from the Reporter’s recommended modification which changes the allocation of Gilston (site 095) from business to mixed use including housing, business, neighbourhood</p>

	<p><i>Gilston has been a long-standing business site in previous plans, but is now considered appropriate for mixed use, continuing to provide business opportunities while making a substantial contribution to housing requirements in the Council area as a whole, in an attractive and marketable location. It will constitute a new Strategic Growth Area with potential for up to 500 houses. Placemaking will be paramount on this key site, secured through a revised masterplan and a cohesive design approach to deliver new landscaping, path connections and open space. In order to accommodate new housing at Gilston, St Margaret's Primary School will need to be extended, with Graeme High School also likely to require an extension in the longer term. Polmont Local Centre continues to serve a key role for local shopping. Parking issues at Polmont Station are a continuing issue but a lack of available land means that there is not opportunity to expand provision. Nonetheless, development at Gilston will be required to incorporate innovative travel options to mitigate additional pressures which may be placed on station car parking".</i></p>	<p>centre and greenspace. In addition, the modification highlights specific issues to be addressed by the future planning of the now mixed use site. See below for the SEA implications of the site's new land allocation.</p>
<p>6. Polmont Housing Sites</p>	<p>2. Identify the BUS21 Gilston site as a mixed use allocation. Amend Proposals Map 5 to show changed use, and amend the information for this site in Appendix 1 of the plan as follows:</p> <p><i>"LDP Ref: MU06 MIR Ref: 095 Site Name: Gilston Site Size (ha): 54.4 Housing Capacity (units): 500 Proposed Uses: Housing/Business/Neighbourhood Centre/Greenspace Site Comments:</i></p>	<p>The modification alters the Proposed Plan's allocation of the site from business to mixed use including housing, business, neighbourhood centre and greenspace. Site 095 was assessed as a mixed use proposal for the Braes and Rural South within the Environmental Report .The potential for the site's development to have potentially positive and adverse environmental effects was recognised in the report, and the modification does not materially change this previous assessment of the site. Environmental mitigation and enhancement measures are built</p>

	<p><i>Existing business supply site with addition of housing. Forms Strategic Growth Area. Major Area of Change - see separate guidance.</i></p> <p>Pages 74 and 75, replace Gilston Development Guidance and illustrative plan with those found on pages 76 and 77 of the Proposed Plan Committee Draft, June 2018. Amend 3rd Bullet point under 'Other Requirements' by adding the following sentence: <i>"This may include the provision of a new site for a health centre, potentially as part of the neighbourhood centre."</i></p>	into the plan via plan policy or the Major Areas of Change Development Guidance.
7. Wallacestone, Redding & Reddingmuirhead Housing Sites	1. Amend the boundary of site H21, Hillcrest, to include the proposed alignment of the access road shown in CD91.	This is a minor boundary change which does not materially change the previous assessment of the site in the Revised Environmental Report.
8 California & Standburn Housing Sites	None.	N/A
9. Slamannan & Limerigg Housing Sites	<p>1. Allocate site 053, Slamannan Road 1, Limerigg for housing, with an indicative capacity of 90 units (Modifications Map *). Amend Proposals Map 4 to show allocation, and include the following information for this site in Appendix 1 of the plan:</p> <p><i>"LDP Ref: H58 MIR Ref: 053 Site Name: Slamannan Road, Limerigg Site Size (ha): 6.5 Housing Capacity (units): 90</i></p> <p><i>Site Comments: Existing housing supply site carried forward from LDP1. Planning</i></p>	The modification reinstates Site 053, Slamannan Road 1, as a housing allocation. Site 053 is currently allocated in LDP1 and has already been assessed as an alternative option for sustainable community growth in the Braes and Rural South within the Environmental Report. The allocation of the site does not materially change previous SEA findings. Environmental mitigation and enhancement measures are built into the plan via plan policy and the Major Areas of Change Development Guidance.

	<i>permission in principle granted. Education contributions and 25% affordable housing required. Detailed site investigation and land stability proposals required. Flood risk assessment required.</i>	The site has secured planning permission in principle for residential development, and the potential environmental effects of this development have been considered in more detail through the planning application process.
10. Whitecross Housing Sites	None.	N/A
11. Denny Housing Sites	1. In the Development Guidance for the Denny South East Major Area of Change (page 82), under the 'Key Principles' section for the former Denny High School site, amend the seventh bullet point to read: <i>"Requirement to retain playing fields to be considered against SPP criteria and Policy PE16."</i>	The modification is a minor text addition which poses no SEA implications.
11. Denny Housing Sites	2 Allocate site 116, Rosebank North, Dunipace for housing, with an indicative capacity of 130 units. Amend Proposals Map 1 to show allocation, and include the following information for this site in Appendix 1 of the plan: <i>"LDP Ref: H59 MIR Ref: 116 Site Name: Rosebank North, Dunipace Site Size (ha): 6.5 Housing Capacity (units): 130 Site Comments: New housing supply site. Masterplan required incorporating substantial strip of open space / landscaping / planting along</i>	The modification inserts Site 116 as an additional housing site in the Proposed LDP2. However, the site has already been assessed in the Environmental Report as an alternative option for housing growth within Dunipace. The potential for the site's development to have potentially positive and adverse effects was recognised in the report, and the modification does not materially change this previous assessment of the site. Environmental mitigation and enhancement measures are built into the plan via plan policy or the Major Areas of Change Development Guidance.

	<p><i>northern and eastern parts of the site with development located away from the most elevated land. Developer contributions may be required for education, primary healthcare facilities and Denny Eastern Access Road (DEAR). 15% affordable housing contribution. A flood risk assessment will be required”.</i></p> <p>2. Amend ‘Denny and Dunipace – Proposals and Opportunities’ (page 81) to add H59 Rosebank North, Dunipace under ‘Housing - Other Sites’.</p>	
12. Falkirk Housing Sites	<p>1. In the Development Guidance for the Falkirk Gateway Major Area of Change (page 88), under the Key Principles for site H41, amend the fourth bullet point by adding the following text to the end of the current wording: <i>“Development should take account of the playing field and not impede its use.”</i></p>	<p>Site H41 was previously assessed as part of housing growth proposals for Falkirk in the Revised Environmental Report. Negative effects on population and health (due to the potential loss of open space) were noted with mitigation of these effects built into the plan via planning policy (e.g. Policy PE16) and the Development Guidance. The modification strengthens that mitigation.</p>
13. Larbert and Stenhousemuir Housing Sites	<p>1. On page 98, paragraph 5.44, delete “70” from the fifth sentence, so it reads <i>“As well as providing new homes...”</i></p>	<p>The modification is a relatively minor change, in SEA terms, to recognise Proposal MU19 could potentially provide more than 70 units indicated by the plan. The appropriate density and overall capacity of the site will be determined through the planning process taking into account the relevant protective and placemaking policies of the modified plan in particular Policy HC04. These policies have already been assessed within the Revised Environmental Report.</p>
13. Larbert and Stenhousemuir	<p>2. In Appendix 1, page a11, under MU19 site comments, delete the following text: <i>“The housing capacity of this site is dependent on</i></p>	<p>As Above.</p>

Housing Sites	<i>any residual shortfall (units not developed) from the originally approved 1700 houses for Kinnaird Village. The current understanding of the shortfalls is estimated to be 70 units approx, however this figure could be subject to change.”</i>	
13. Larbert and Stenhousemuir Housing Sites	<p>3. Allocate site 133, Stirling Road for housing, with an indicative capacity of 60 units (Modifications Map *). Amend Proposals Map 2 to show allocation, and include the following information for this site in Appendix 1 of the plan:</p> <p><i>“LDP Ref: H60 MIR Ref: 133 Site Name: Stirling Road Site Size (ha): 4.4 Housing Capacity (units): 60</i></p> <p><i>Site Comments: Planning permission in principle granted. Education contributions and 25% affordable housing required”.</i></p> <p>4. Amend ‘Larbert and Stenhousemuir – Proposals and Opportunities’ (page 99) by inserting site H60 under ‘Housing’</p>	<p>The modification inserts Site 113 as an additional housing site in the Proposed LDP2. However, the site has already been assessed in the Environmental Report as an alternative option for housing growth within Larbert and Stenhousemuir. This modification does not materially change the results of that previous assessment.</p> <p>Site 053 has secured planning permission in principle for residential development, and the potential environmental effects of this development have been considered in detail through the development management process and subsequent appeal.</p>
14. Airth Housing Sites	None.	N/A
15 Other Rural North Housing Sites	None.	N/A
16. Grangemouth Investment Zone	1. On page 25 (Map 3.6 Spatial Strategy – Infrastructure), alter the Grangemouth Flood Protection Scheme Watercourses and Coastline depiction to include the peninsula formed by site 163 and adjacent plots within its landward extent.	No environmental effects. The modification is a minor map change having no bearing whatsoever upon the spatial strategy of LDP2 and the location of the Grangemouth Flood Protection Scheme.

16. Grangemouth Investment Zone	2. On page 21 (Map 3.4 Spatial Strategy – Business and Tourism), after “Grangemouth Investment Zone” in the map key, add the following new text: “(see Proposals Map 5 for the precise extent)”.	No environmental effects. The modification provides a reference to Proposals Map 5 to aid understanding of the extent of the Grangemouth Investment Zone.
16. Grangemouth Investment Zone	3. On Proposals Map 5, identify detailed boundaries of the Grangemouth Investment Zone, comprising the relevant Core Business Areas in Grangemouth and business sites (Modifications Map*). In the map key, add new entry: “Grangemouth Investment Zone (JE01).	The modification clarifies the precise extent of the Grangemouth Investment Zone but does not materially alter the previous assessment in the Revised Environmental Report.
16. Grangemouth Investment Zone	4. <i>In paragraph 5.37 and on pages 95 and a14, delete each occurrence of “Earlsgate...” and replace it with: “Earls Gate...”.</i>	The modification is a minor text change which poses no environmental effects.
16. Grangemouth Investment Zone	5. In Appendix 1, page a14, in the site comments for proposed allocation BUS15, delete the third sentence and replace it with the following new wording: <i>“Consent was granted for the Grangemouth Biomass Electricity Generating Station under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989”.</i>	The modification is a minor text change which poses no environmental effects.
16. Grangemouth Investment Zone	6. Identify the BUS13 Glensburgh site as a mixed use allocation. Amend Proposals Map 5 to show changed use, and amend the information for this site in Appendix 1 of the plan as follows: <i>“LDP Ref: MU21 MIR Ref: 088 Site Name: Glensburgh Site Size (ha): 4.5 Housing Capacity (units): Up to 30 Proposed Uses: Retail/Business/Leisure/Housing</i>	The modification alters the Proposed Plan’s allocation of the site from business/industry to mixed use including retail, business, leisure and housing. Although the site was assessed as business and industrial development in the Environmental Report, the mixed allocation does not materially change the results of the previous assessment. Environmental mitigation and enhancement measures for the site are built into plan via plan policy and the site

	<p><i>Site Comments:</i> <i>Existing business supply site with potential for retail and leisure of a local neighbourhood scale and no more than 30 homes. Part of Grangemouth Investment Zone/NPF3 national development. Prominent site at northern entrance to Grangemouth and close to Helix, requiring high design standards. Within Major Hazard and Pipeline Consultation Zones. Potential poor ground conditions on infilled area of former Forth and Clyde Canal. A flood risk assessment is required. Transport Assessment required and developer contributions may be required for transport infrastructure. Cumulative impact on sensitive receptors, the wider town and local community should be addressed including increases in air pollution, noise and road network impacts.”</i></p>	<p>comments.</p>
<p>17. Other Business Sites</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. At Appendix 1 (page a16), in the site comments for allocation BUS23 Grandsable Road, delete the words “Northern part of site is within the boundary of the Antonine Wall World Heritage Site and remainder is within the Antonine Wall WHS buffer zone.” 2. At Appendix 1 (page a16), in the site comments for allocation BUS23 Grandsable Road, after the first sentence insert the following new second sentence: <i>“The entire allocation is within the Antonine Wall World Heritage Site buffer zone.”</i> 3. On Proposals Map 5, alter the boundary of allocation BUS23 Grandsable Road to exclude that part of it which falls within the Antonine Wall World Heritage Site (Modifications Map*). 	<p>Proposal BUS23 has already been assessed in the Revised Environmental Report. The potential for the site to have significant negative impacts on cultural heritage (due to adverse impacts on Antonine Wall WHS and its setting) was recognised with mitigation incorporated in the Proposed Plan via Policy PE05 and the site comments. The modifications strengthen mitigation.</p>

17. Other Business Sites	4. At Appendix 1 (page a12), in the site comments for allocation BUS01 Kinneil Walled Garden, add the following new sentence: <i>“A flood risk assessment will be required”</i> .	Proposal BUS01 has already been assessed in the Revised Environmental Report. The potential for the site to have negative effects on water (through increasing flood risk) was not recognised and no explicit mitigation was suggested in the report. The modification will assist in mitigating these effects.
18. Place and Environment Policies	1. On page 30, in the text of the first bullet point of part six of Policy PE01 Placemaking, replace “Development” with: <i>“In support of climate change mitigation, development”</i> .	The modification is a minor reference to climate change adaption which does not materially alter the substance of Policy PE01. No environmental effects.
18. Place and Environment Policies	2. On page 30, in the text of the first bullet point of part six of Policy PE01 Placemaking, after “recycling of materials ” add: <i>“and incorporating space to separate materials at source”</i> .	The modification is a minor reference which could provide positive effects on material assets by encouraging appropriate waste and recycling storage and collection facilities within new development.
18. Place and Environment Policies	3. On page 30, in the text of the second bullet point of part six of Policy PE01 Placemaking, replace “Infrastructure” with: <i>“In support of climate change adaptation, infrastructure”</i> .	The modification is a minor reference to climate change adaptation which does not materially alter the substance of Policy PE01. No environmental effects.
18. Place and Environment Policies	4. On page 31, delete the text of Policy PE03 Advertisements and paragraph 4.03.	The policy’s deletion will have no environment effects. The Reporter concluded that the Policy PE03 is entirely superfluous given the Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) (Scotland) Regulations 1984 provides the framework for the determination of advertisement consent applications and appeals, not development plan policy.
18. Place and Environment Policies	5. Amend the contents page by deleting reference to PE03 Advertisements.	The modification is a consequential change resulting from Reporter’s modification to delete Policy PE03. No environmental effects.

18. Place and Environment Policies	6. On page 32, add the following new sentence to the end of paragraph 4.07: <i>“Any works directly affecting a designated Scheduled Monument require Scheduled Monument Consent, which is obtained from Historic Environment Scotland.”</i>	The modification is a factual change to the supporting text which does not materially change the substance of LDP2. No environmental effects.
18. Place and Environment Policies	7. On page 35, following paragraph 3 of Policy PE13 Green and Blue Network, add a new paragraph, to wit: <i>“4. The seven community growing sites identified at Appendix 1 (LDP ref. GN24) shall be safeguarded from development unless proposals can demonstrate, on a case-by-case basis, that there is no longer a proven demand for allotment space.”</i>	The additional wording in Policy PE13 could achieve positive effects on population and health and material assets, strengthening the safeguarding of the seven community growing sites.
18. Place and Environment Policies	8. On page 36, in the text of the third bullet point of paragraph 2 of Policy PE16 Protection of Open Space, replace the first instance of “playing field” with “facility” and the second instance of “playing field” with “outdoor sports facility”.	The modification is a minor referencing change with no environmental effects.
18. Place and Environment Policies	9. On page 36, in the text of the fourth bullet point of paragraph 2 of Policy PE16 Protection of Open Space, replace “sports pitches” with “provision”.	The modification is a minor referencing change with no environmental effects.
18. Place and Environment Policies	10. On page 36, in the text of paragraph 4.17, between “value for alternative” and “beneficial development” insert the following new wording: <i>“uses, including community growing, as part of”</i> .	The modification is a minor change to the supporting text. No environmental effects.
18. Place and Environment Policies	11. On page 37, in the text of paragraph 1 of Policy PE17 Open Space and New Development, between “promote” and “active travel”, insert the following new wording: <i>“physical activity, sport and”</i> .	The additional wording in Policy PE17 could provide positive effects on population and health and material assets, requiring proposals to make provision for physical activity and sports where appropriate.

18. Place and Environment Policies	12. On page 37, in the text of paragraph 2 of Policy PE17 Open Space and New Development, between both instances of “recreational” and “open space”, insert the following new wording: <i>“and sport”</i> .	As above.
18. Place and Environment Policies	13. On page 37, in the text of paragraph 2 of Policy PE18 Landscape, delete “will only be supported where it can be demonstrated that the” and, in their place, add: <i>“should be designed to minimise any adverse effects on the”</i> .	The modification ensures Policy PE18 is consistent with SPP wording but does not materially change the previous assessment of the policy within the Revised Environmental Report. The policy as modified still safeguards against significant negative effects on landscape.
18. Place and Environment Policies	14. On page 37, in the text of paragraph 2 of Policy PE18 Landscape, delete “will not be adversely affected; and” and, in their place, insert a full stop.	As above.
18. Place and Environment Policies	15. On page 37, in the text of paragraph 3 of Policy PE18 Landscape, delete “without adverse effects”.	As above.
18. Place and Environment Policies	16. On page 38, in the text of paragraph 1 of Policy PE19 Biodiversity and Geodiversity, delete the third, fourth and fifth sentences and, in their place, add the following new wording: <i>“Where an assessment is unable to conclude that a development will not adversely affect the integrity of the site, development will only be permitted where there are no alternative solutions, there are imperative reasons of overriding public interest, including of a social or economic nature and compensatory measures are provided to ensure that the overall coherence of the Natura network is protected. Where the site has been designated for a European priority habitat or species, consent can only be issued in such cases where the reasons for overriding public interest relate to human health, public safety, beneficial consequences of primary</i>	No environmental effects. The modification does not materially alter the potential effects of Policy PE19 reported in the Revised Environmental Report. It is a minor change to ensure the policy wording aligns more closely with Scottish Planning Policy and EU law.

	<i>importance for the environment or for other reasons subject to the opinion of the European Commission (via Scottish Ministers);”</i>	
18. Place and Environment Policies	17. On page 38, in the text of paragraph 2 of Policy PE19 Biodiversity and Geodiversity, between “or any” and “adverse effects”, insert “ <i>significant</i> ”.	The modification ensures Policy PE19 is consistent with SPP wording, and does not materially change the previous assessment of the policy. The Revised Environmental Report appraised the policy with the potential effect of mitigating significant negative effects on biodiversity rather than mitigating just negative effects.
18. Place and Environment Policies	18. On page 38, in the text of paragraph 2 of Policy PE19 Biodiversity and Geodiversity, between “by social” and “or economic”, insert “, <i>environmental</i> ”.	The modification ensures Policy PE19 is consistent with SPP wording. Policy PE19 as modified permits development affecting a SSSI if the environment benefits are of national importance and clearly outweigh the adverse effects. In SEA terms, the modification could potentially result in positive environmental impacts that override significant negative effects on biodiversity. However, the modification does not materially alter the appraisal of Policy PE19 as reported in the Revised Environmental Report.
18. Place and Environment Policies	19. On page 39, in the text of paragraph 1 of Policy PE20 Trees, Woodland and Hedgerows, delete “flooding control” and, in its place, insert “ <i>natural flood management</i> ”.	The modification does not materially alter the potential effects of Policy PE19.
18. Place and Environment Policies	20. On page 39, in the text of paragraph 4.22, between “carbon fixing, air quality improvement,” and “flood management”, insert “ <i>natural</i> ”.	The modification is a minor clarification to the supporting text. No environmental effects.

18. Place and Environment Policies	21. On page 39, in the text of paragraph 2 of Policy PE20 Trees, Woodland and Hedgerows, delete “Sites identified in the Scottish Ancient Woodland Inventory as ancient, long established and semi-natural woodlands” and, in its place, insert “ <i>Ancient, long-established and semi-natural woodland, including sites identified in the Scottish Ancient Woodland Inventory</i> ”.	The modification reorganises policy wording but does not materially alter the potential effects of Policy PE20.
18. Place and Environment Policies	22. On page 40, in the text of paragraph 4.24, between “ranlochs,” and “wetlands...”, insert “ <i>groundwater dependent terrestrial ecosystems and</i> ”.	The modification is a minor clarification to the supporting text. No environmental effects.
18. Place and Environment Policies	23. On page 40, in the text of paragraph 3 of Policy PE23 Marine Planning and the Coastal Zone, between “Protect” and “the water”, insert “ <i>and enhance</i> ”.	The revised wording could have positive environments effects on water and biodiversity requiring development to protect as well as enhancing the water environment.
18. Place and Environment Policies	24. On page 41, in the text of paragraph 3 of Policy PE24 Flood Management, between “SEPA’s” and “Flood Risk”, insert “ <i>Technical</i> ”	The modification is a referencing change which poses no environmental effects.
18. Place and Environment Policies	25. On page 41, in the text of paragraph 3 of Policy PE24 Flood Management, between “risk,” and “will be”, insert “ <i>including proposals to restore the natural course of watercourses,</i> ”.	The revised wording could have further positive environments effects on water and biodiversity through restoration of natural watercourses.
18. Place and Environment Policies	26. On page 41, delete the first sentence of paragraph 4.26 and replace it with the following new sentence: “ <i>The Falkirk area faces issues of fluvial, coastal and surface water flooding, as identified on SEPA Flood Maps.</i> ”	The modification is a minor factual correction to the supporting text. No environmental effects.
18. Place and Environment Policies	27. On page 41, replace the wording of policy PE25 Soils and Agricultural Land with the following text:	To achieve consistency with SPP, the modification re-arranges the policy wording and inserts additional circumstances where the loss

	<p><i>“1. Any proposal for development that would involve the loss of prime quality agricultural land (Classes 1, 2 and 3.1), will not be permitted unless it is essential because it would be:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• On a site specifically allocated for development in the LDP; or</i> <i>• For development that would meet an overriding local or national need and where no other suitable site is available; or</i> <i>• For small-scale development directly linked to a rural business; or</i> <i>• For the generation of energy from a renewable source, or for the extraction of minerals, where this would accord with other policy objectives and secure provision could be made for restoration to return the land to its former status.</i> <p><i>2. Proposals for development that would be likely to disturb or cause significant irreversible damage to areas of carbon rich soils (basin peat, blanket bog, peat alluvium complex, peaty podzols, peaty gleys and salt marshes) or rare soils (podzols, humus iron podzols and saltings) will be required to submit a soil or peat management plan which demonstrates that:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• The areas of highest quality soil or deepest peat have been avoided;</i> <i>• Any disturbance, degradation or erosion has been minimised through mitigation; and</i> <i>• Any likely release of greenhouse gas emissions caused by disturbance is offset.</i> 	<p>of prime agricultural land would be permitted. While the modification is considered a major change, the SEA implications of the modification are the same as those reported in the Revised Environmental Report. The policy as modified should reduce the frequency of significant negative effects on soil (through loss of prime agricultural land, carbon rich or rare soil) and climatic factors (through release of greenhouse gas and reduced greenhouse gas absorption capacity). However, the policy as modified allows the development of prime agricultural and carbon rich or rare soils within an extended set of circumstances. Significant negative effects are, therefore, still recorded.</p>
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	<p>3. Development should ensure the sustainable use of soils during construction and operation and commit to minimise soil sealing, erosion and compaction.”</p>	
19. Other Housing Policies	<p>1. Amend policy HC05 ‘Housing in the Countryside’ criterion (2) to read as follows: <i>“Restoration or replacement of houses which are still substantially intact, provided that the restored/replacement house is of a suitable size and design”.</i></p>	<p>The modification is a minor policy change which does not materially change the previous assessment of the policy within the Revised Environmental Report.</p>
19. Other Housing Policies	<p>2. Amend policy HC06 ‘Infill Development and Plot Sub Division’ criterion (1) to read as follows:</p> <p><i>“The scale, density, disposition and design of the proposed house(s) respect the townscape or countryside character of the area”.</i></p>	<p>The modification is a minor policy change which does not materially change the previous assessment of the policy within the Revised Environmental Report.</p>
20. Town Centre Policies	<p>1. On page 86, delete the final sentence under the sub-heading ‘Vision’ and replace it with the following new wording: <i>“The Council has commenced a procurement process to select a site for a new Council HQ and Arts Centre which would be located in the Town Centre and contribute significantly towards its regeneration. The existing Municipal Buildings site would present an opportunity for redevelopment”.</i></p>	<p>The modification is a factual update to acknowledge the current status of the new Council HQ and Arts Centre project. No environmental effects.</p>
20. Town Centre Policies	<p>2. On page 49, in the text of the second sub-bullet point of the first bullet point of paragraph 1 of Policy JE09 Retail and Commercial Leisure Development, delete “ or commercial centres”.</p> <p>3. On page 49, in the text of the first bullet point of paragraph 1 of Policy JE09 Retail and Commercial Leisure Development, insert</p>	<p>To ensure consistency with the SPP, The modification moves ‘commercial centres’ down the order of preference of locations for new significant footfall uses. However, in SEA terms, the modification does not materially alter the previous assessment of the policy within</p>

	<p>the following new third sub-bullet point and associated text:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Commercial centres;</i> 	the Revised Environmental Report.
20. Town Centre Policies	4. On page 49, in the text of the third bullet point of paragraph 1 of Policy JE09 Retail and Commercial Leisure Development, delete “and edge of centre”.	The modification is a policy wording change which ensures consistency with SPP. However, in SEA terms, the modification does not materially alter the previous assessment of the policy within the Revised Environmental Report.
20. Town Centre Policies	5. On page 49, in the text of paragraph 2 of Policy JE09 Retail and Commercial Leisure Development, delete the comma after “floorspace” and, in its place, insert “and”.	The modification is a minor wording addition, in SEA terms, which does not materially alter the previous assessment of the policy within the Revised Environmental Report.
20. Town Centre Policies	6. On page 49, in the text of paragraph 4.51, delete the second, third and fourth sentences and, in their place, insert: <i>“The threshold for significant development will be 1,000 sq.m. gross floorspace, below which proposals that are shown to be serving neighbourhood needs will be supported in appropriate locations generally within the urban area. Outwith town and local centres, retail and/or leisure impact assessments and a sequential assessment will be required for development proposals in excess of 1,000 sq.m. gross floorspace but, in certain circumstances, may also be required for smaller proposals. These circumstances will vary from case-to-case but will generally occur in situations where the likely impact of a proposal would be disproportionate to its scale. Examples of disproportionate impacts include where: 1) the sale of a particular type of goods is proposed on which a nearby centre is particularly reliant; 2) the location of the proposal is such that there will be a particularly high diversion of trade, or 3) where a local centre is in a</i>	The modification clarifies the supporting text for Policy JE09 but does not materially alter the previous assessment of the policy within the Revised Environmental Report.

	<i>particularly vulnerable state.</i>	
20. Town Centre Policies	7. On page 49, in the text of paragraph 2 of Policy JE09 Retail and Commercial Leisure Development, between “serving a” and “neighbourhood”, insert “ <i>demonstrated</i> ”.	The modification is a minor wording addition, in SEA terms, which does not materially alter the previous assessment of the policy within the Revised Environmental Report.
20. Town Centre Policies	8. On page 49, in the title of Policy JE09 Retail and Commercial Leisure Development, after “JE09”, delete “Retail and Commercial Leisure Development” and, in its place, insert “ <i>Town Centre First</i> ”.	The modification is a policy title change with no environmental effects.
20. Town Centre Policies	9. On page 49, in the text of paragraph 1 of Policy JE09 Retail and Commercial Leisure Development, between “development,” and “and other”, insert “ <i>offices</i> ”.	The modification is a policy wording change which ensures consistency with SPP. However, in SEA terms, the modification does not materially alter the previous assessment of the policy within the Revised Environmental Report.
21. Infrastructure Policies & Proposals	1. Amend the first sentence of policy IR02 to read: “ <i>Developers will be required to contribute to the provision, upgrading and, where appropriate, the maintenance of infrastructure...</i> ”	The modification is a minor policy wording change which does not materially alter the previous assessment of the policy within the Revised Environmental Report.
21. Infrastructure Policies & Proposals	2. Amend the beginning of the last sentence of policy IR03 to read: “ <i>In the rare circumstances...</i> ”	As above.
21. Infrastructure Policies & Proposals	3. Amend the title of Policy IR05 to “ <i>Travel Hierarchy and Transport Assessment</i> ” and amend the policy wording to read as follows: <i>1. Development proposals should support a hierarchy of travel which maximises the extent to which its travel demands are met first through walking, then cycling, then public transport and finally through use of private cars.</i>	As above.

	<p>2. <i>Transport assessments will be required for development proposals where the impact of the development on the transport network is likely to result in an increase in the number of trips, such that there will be significant impact on the operation of the transport network, requiring mitigation. Assessments will focus on the hierarchy of travel and should include, where appropriate:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Travel plans;</i> • <i>Safety audits of proposed mitigation measures; and</i> • <i>Air quality impact assessments.</i> <p>3. <i>The Council will only support development proposals where the transport assessment and travel plan have been appropriately scoped, the network impacts properly defined, and suitable mitigation measures identified."</i></p>	
21. Infrastructure Policies & Proposals	4. Make a consequential amendment to the contents page to reflect the revised title of Policy IR05.	The modification is a consequential change with no environmental effects.
21. Infrastructure Policies & Proposals	5. Amend policy IR10 as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In sub-section (2), change "Sewers for Scotland (3rd Edition)" to <i>"the most recent version of Sewers for Scotland"</i>. • In sub-section (4) change the last sentence to <i>"The strategy should follow the latest version of the SUDS Manual"</i>. 	The modification is a minor policy wording change which does not materially alter the previous assessment of the policy within the Revised Environmental Report.
21. Infrastructure Policies & Proposals	6. Replace the wording of Policy IR11 with the following: <i>"Proposals for new communications equipment should minimise impact on the environment and communities. Planning</i>	To achieve greater policy consistency with SPP, the modification sets out additional requirements to consider proposals for new communications equipment. The additional

	<p><i>applications should be accompanied by supporting information demonstrating that:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. All siting and design options have been fully considered, including options for site and mast sharing, installation on buildings or other existing structures, or use of ground-based masts. Of the options which meet operational requirements, the chosen site and design should be shown to have the least impacts;</i> <i>2. The visual impact of the equipment has been minimised or eliminated through design, landscaping and screening, including the use of concealment or camouflage techniques where appropriate. Full details of the design, including height, materials and all components of the proposal should be provided, and normally the smallest suitable equipment should be utilised where it would be visible;</i> <i>3. Where siting of the equipment is proposed in locations which are designated for their ecological or historic environment importance, or provide the setting or supporting habitat for designations, all other options have been exhausted and, for Natura 2000 sites, that the terms of Policy PE19 have been met; and</i> <i>4. Where applicable, the cumulative effects of the proposed development in combination with existing equipment in the area has been assessed. Applications should be accompanied by an explanation of how the proposed equipment fits into the wider network;</i> <i>5. The equipment and installation is designed to be in full compliance with the appropriate ICNIRP guidelines for public</i> 	<p>requirements strengthen Policy IR11's safeguards against digital infrastructure having a significant negative effect on material assets (through adversely affecting townscape quality) cultural heritage (through adversely affecting the site or setting of important elements of the historic environment) and landscape (through adverse visual impact). However, even with the additional requirements, optimum sites for digital infrastructure could still have some negative effects on receptors.</p>
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	<p><i>exposure to radio frequency radiation provided by International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP).</i></p> <p><i>Developers should consider the provision of digital infrastructure to houses and businesses where new development is proposed, in consultation with service providers.”</i></p>	
21. Infrastructure Policies & Proposals	7. On page a18, at the end of the comments section for IN13-14 add <i>“Site IN14 is within the Major Hazard Consultation Zone”</i> .	The modification merely flags the potential for major hazards affecting Site IN14. While the site has already been assessed in the Revised Environmental Report, the potential for the site to have significant negative effects on population and health (through increasing exposure to risk of injury from major hazards) was not recognised and no mitigation was suggested. However, the mitigation of these effects is already built into the plan via Policy JE06.
21. Infrastructure Policies & Proposals	8. Amend second sentence of paragraph 3.29 on page 24 to read: <i>“Issues also exist in primary healthcare with some local GP practices coming under pressure in the Denny, Bonnybridge / Banknock and the Maddiston East / Whitecross / the Braes areas, although no site-specific solutions have yet been agreed.”</i>	The modification is a factual statement which poses no environmental effects.
21. Infrastructure Policies & Proposals	9...On page 68 add the following text to the end of the fourth bullet point under the ‘Other requirements’ sub-heading: <i>“Contributions towards provision of additional primary healthcare capacity may be required.”</i>	As above.

21. Infrastructure Policies & Proposals	10...On page 70 add the following text to the end of the third bullet point under the 'Other requirements' sub-heading: <i>"Contributions towards provision of additional primary healthcare capacity may be required."</i>	As above.
21. Infrastructure Policies & Proposals	11. On page 76 add the following text to the end of the second bullet point under the 'Other requirements' sub-heading: <i>"Contributions towards provision of additional primary healthcare capacity may be required."</i>	As above.
21. Infrastructure Policies & Proposals	12. On page 78 under the 'Other requirements' sub-heading, add an additional point after the first bullet point to read: <i>"Contributions towards provision of additional primary healthcare capacity may be required."</i>	As above.
22. Energy Policies	1. Add an additional bullet point to part 1 of policy IR12, to read: "Impacts on forestry, having regard to Policy PE20;"	The modification is a minor reference to another policy and does not materially alter the effects of the plan.
22 Energy Policies	2. Add an additional bullet point to part 1 of policy IR12, to read: <i>"The extent to which waste would be minimised during construction and operation, having regard to Policy IR18;"</i>	The modification is a minor reference to another policy and does not materially alter the effects of the plan.
23. Minerals Policies	1. Amend the title of Map 3.8 on page 28 to "Spatial Strategy – Onshore Oil, Gas and Minerals".	The modification is a map title change with no environmental effects.
.24. Waste Policies & Proposals	No modifications.	No environmental effects.

25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	1. In Appendix 1, Mixed Use (page a09), for site MU05 Bonnybridge Town Centre, amend the site comments by adding the following text: <i>“Carefully consider potential impacts on the setting of the canal and address the canal frontage.”</i>	Proposal MU05 has already been assessed in the Revised Environmental Report. The potential for the site to have significant negative impacts on cultural heritage (a significant negative effect on cultural heritage (due to the potential to impact on the Forth and Clyde Canal SM)) was recognised with mitigation incorporated in the Proposed Plan via Policy PE06. The modifications that strengthen mitigation.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	2. In Appendix 1, Business (page a12), for site BUS04 A801 Union Canal, amend the site comments by adding the following text: <i>“Carefully consider potential impacts on the setting of the canal and address the canal frontage</i>	Proposal BUS04 has already been assessed in the Revised Environmental Report. The potential for the site to have significant negative impacts on cultural heritage (due to adverse Impact on the Union Canal SM and its setting the potential to impact on the Forth and Clyde Canal SM)) was recognised with mitigation incorporated in the Proposed Plan via Policy PE06. The modifications that strengthen mitigation.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	3. In Appendix 1, Business (page a13), for site BUS11 Falkirk Wheel, amend the site comments by adding the following text: <i>“Carefully consider potential impacts on the setting of the canal and address the canal frontage.”</i>	Proposal BUS11 has already been assessed in the Revised Environmental Report. The potential for the site to have significant negative impacts on cultural heritage (due to the potential to impact on the Forth and Clyde Canal SM)) was recognised with mitigation incorporated in the Proposed Plan via Policy PE06. The modifications strengthen that mitigation.
25. Site Specific Environmental	4. In Appendix 1, Business (page a12), for site BUS03 Beancross, amend the site comments by adding the following text: <i>“Entirety of</i>	Proposal BUS03 has already been assessed in the Revised Environmental Report. The

Mitigation	<i>site within Antonine Wall World Heritage Site Buffer Zone. Proposals to be informed by a detailed heritage assessment.”</i>	potential for the site to have negative impacts on cultural heritage (due to adverse impacts on Antonine Wall WHS and its setting) was recognised with mitigation incorporated in the Proposed Plan via Policy PE06. The modifications that strengthen mitigation.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	5. In Appendix 1, Business (page a13), for site BUS10 Wester Carmuir, amend the site comments by adding the following text: <i>“Entirety of site within Antonine Wall World Heritage Site Buffer Zone. Proposals to be informed by a detailed heritage assessment.”</i>	Proposal BUS10 has already been assessed in the Revised Environmental Report. The potential for the site to have negative impacts on cultural heritage (due to adverse impacts on Antonine Wall WHS and its setting) was recognised with mitigation incorporated in the Proposed Plan via Policy PE06. The modifications that strengthen mitigation.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	6. In Appendix 1, Business (page a13), for site BUS11 Falkirk Wheel, amend site comments by adding the following text: <i>“Part of site within Antonine Wall World Heritage Site Buffer Zone. Proposals to be informed by a detailed heritage assessment.”</i> Delete “proximity to Antonine Wall” from text.	Proposal BUS11 has already been assessed in the Revised Environmental Report. The potential for the site to have negative impacts on cultural heritage (due to adverse impacts on Antonine Wall WHS and its setting) was recognised with mitigation incorporated in the Proposed Plan via Policy PE06 and site comments. The modifications that strengthen mitigation.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	7. On page 64, under “Other Requirements” for sites H01 and MU02, amend fifth bullet to read: <i>“Flood risk assessments will be required.”</i>	Proposals H01 and MU02 have been previously assessed as having potentially significant negative effects on water (due to increasing flood risk). Alongside Policy PE24, the explicit requirement for a flood risk assessment should strengthen the mitigation of these effects.
25. Site Specific	8. On page 70, under “Other Requirements” for site H09 add:	As above.

Environmental Mitigation	<i>"Flood risk assessment will be required."</i>	
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	9. On page 76, under "Other Requirements" for sites H13-18 and H54 add: <i>"Flood risk assessment will be required."</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	10. On page 88, under "Other Requirements" for sites MU16/BUS05/H41 amend second bullet to read <i>"Drainage assessments required for these flat and relatively low-lying areas. Drainage strategy has already been prepared for Falkirk Gateway Zones 1 and 4."</i> Add sixth bullet point: <i>"Flood risk assessment will be required."</i>	Site proposals have been previously assessed as having potentially significant negative effects on water (due to increasing flood risk). Alongside Policy PE24 and Policy IR10, the explicit requirement for flood risk and drainage assessments should strengthen the mitigation of these effects.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	11. On page 92, under "Other Requirements" for site MU11 add: <i>"Flood risk assessment will be required."</i>	Site proposals have been previously assessed as having potentially significant negative effects on water (due to increasing flood risk). Alongside Policy PE24, the explicit requirement for a flood risk assessment should strengthen the mitigation of these effects.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	12. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a05), change last sentence in site comments for H33 Carrongrove Mill to read: <i>"Updated flood risk assessment will be required in the event of changes/extensions to approved proposals"</i> .	Site proposals have been previously assessed as having potentially significant negative effects on water (due to increasing flood risk). Alongside Policy PE24, the explicit requirement for an updated flood risk assessment should strengthen the mitigation of these effects.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	13. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a01), add the following wording to site comments for H03 Kinglass Farm 2: <i>"Flood risk assessment will be required."</i>	Site proposals have been previously assessed as having potentially significant negative effects on water (due to increasing flood risk). Alongside Policy PE24, the explicit requirement for a flood risk assessment should strengthen the mitigation of these effects.

25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	14. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a03), add the following wording to site comments for H20 Redding Park: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	15. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a03), add the following wording to site comments for H21 Hillcrest: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	16. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a04), add the following wording to site comments for H28 Standburn West: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	17. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a06), add the following wording to site comments for H36 Gowan Avenue: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	18. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a07), add the following wording to site comments for H47 Pretoria Road: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	19. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a07), add the following wording to site comments for H48 Castle View, Airth: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	20. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a07) add the following wording to site comments for H49 Airth Castle South: <i>“Flood risk</i>	As above.

Mitigation	<i>assessment will be required.”</i>	
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	21. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a08) add the following wording to site comments for H51 Former Torwood School: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	22. In Appendix 1, Mixed Use (page a09), add the following wording to site comments for MU03 Crawfield Lane: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	23. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a09) add the following wording to site comments for MU05 Bonnybridge Town Centre: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	24. In Appendix 1, Business (page a12), add the following wording to site comments for BUS01 Kinneil Walled Garden: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	25. In Appendix 1, Business (page a12), add the following wording to site comments for BUS04 A801 Union Canal: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	26. In Appendix 1, Business (page a13), add the following wording to site comments for BUS06 Abbotsford Business Park: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	27. In Appendix 1, Business (page a13), add the following wording to site comments for BUS07 Caledon Business Park: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.

25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	28. In Appendix 1, Business (page a13), add the following wording to site comments for BUS10 Wester Carmuir: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	29. In Appendix 1, Business (page a16), add the following wording to site comments for BUS22 Maddiston Fire Station: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	30. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a05), amend the final sentence in the site comments for H35 Rosebank, Dunipace to read: <i>“A flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	31. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a06), amend sixth sentence in the site comments for H43 Westburn Avenue to read: <i>“Culverted watercourse through site requires investigation and flood risk assessment required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	32. In Appendix 1, Mixed Use (page a10), amend last sentence in the site comments for MU13 Callendar Riggs to read: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	33. In Appendix 1, Business (page a13), amend final sentence in site comments for BUS07 Caledon Business Park to read: <i>“Flood risk assessment will be required.”</i>	As above.

25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	<p>34. In Appendix 1, Business (page a13), amend final sentence in site comments for BUS11 Falkirk Wheel to read: <i>“Number of watercourses in or adjacent to site and flood risk assessment will be required.”</i></p>	<p>As above.</p>
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	<p>35. In Appendix 1, Business (page a16), amend third sentence in site comments for BUS23 Grandsable Road to read: <i>“Site is also subject to flood risk and a flood risk assessment will be required.”</i> Amend final sentence in site comments to read: <i>“Heritage impact assessment may be required.”</i></p>	<p>BUS03 has already been assessed in the Revised Environmental Report. The potential for the site to have negative impacts on cultural heritage (due to adverse impacts on Antonine Wall WHS and its setting) and on water (due to increased flood risk) was recognised with mitigation incorporated in the Proposed Plan via Policy PE06 and Policy PE24. The modifications that strengthen mitigation.</p>
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	<p>36. In Appendix 1, Infrastructure (page a18), amend final sentence in site comments for IN13-IN14 Bonnybridge/Grangemouth Rail Station Site Safeguarding to read: <i>“A flood risk assessment will be required</i></p>	<p>Site proposals have been previously assessed as having potentially significant negative effects on water (due to increasing flood risk). Alongside Policy PE24, the explicit requirement for a flood risk assessment should strengthen the mitigation of these effects.</p>
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	<p>37. On page 82, under “Key Principles” for MU09 Broad Street, add a seventh bullet point that read <i>“Sclanders Burn is a straightened waterway within the site. Restoration of the natural course of the burn should be investigated along with opportunities to de-culvert.”</i></p>	<p>Site proposals have been previously assessed as having potential positive impacts on water (due to opportunities for watercourse restoration). Alongside Policy PE22 and Policy PE22, the explicit requirement for watercourse restoration and de-culverting to be investigated may result in positive effects.</p>
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	<p>38. On the accompanying map on page 83, change “MU02” to “MU09”.*</p>	<p>This modification is a LDP site reference correction. No environmental effects.</p>

25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	39. In Appendix 1, Infrastructure (page a19), amend third sentence of site comments for IN37-IN40 to read: <i>“All sites are known to be subject to ground condition constraints, and detailed site investigations will be required to establish their suitability or otherwise for coffin and/or casket burials.”</i>	Proposals IN37-IN40 have already been assessed in the Revised Environmental Report. The modification is a minor change which does not materially alter the results of the previous assessment.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	40. On page 90, under “Key Principles” for site H39 Cauldhame Farm, Falkirk, provide an additional bullet point to read: <i>“Proximity to Carron Landfill”</i>	The modification is a minor change to flag the potential co-location issues with Carron Landfill. However, the modification does not materially alter the results of the previous assessment of the proposal in the Revised Environmental Report.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	41. In Appendix 1, page a10, add the following text to site comments for site MU17 Carron Road: <i>“Proximity to Carron Landfill”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	42. In Appendix 1, Infrastructure (page a18), amend the site comments for IN16 Falkirk-Denny/Bonnybridge Path by adding the following wording: <i>“Part of the path route falls within the Pipeline Consultation Zone.”</i>	The modification raises awareness of potential major pipeline hazards affecting the proposal. The potential for the proposal to have significant negative effects on population and health (through increasing exposure to risk of injury from major pipeline hazards) was recognised in the Revised Environmental Report with mitigation built into the plan via Policy JE06. The modification strengthens that mitigation.

25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	<p>43. In Appendix 1, Infrastructure (page a19), amend the site comments for IN39 Hills of Dunipace Cemetery Extension by adding the following wording: <i>“Proposal IN39 Hills of Dunipace is within the Pipeline Consultation Zone.”</i></p>	<p>As above.</p>
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	<p>44. On page 64, under “Key Principles” for H01 Drum Farm North, amend fourth bullet point to read <i>“Existing woodland to north of site includes Ancient Woodland and is to be reinforced using native species and brought under management”</i>.</p>	<p>Site proposals have been previously assessed in the Revised Environmental Report as having potential significant negative impacts on biodiversity (due to potential loss of mature woodland) with mitigation incorporated into the plan via Policy PE20 and the Key Principles. The modification strengthens that mitigation.</p>
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	<p>45. On page 76, under “Landscape and Open Space”, second bullet point, insert new sentence to read <i>“Woodland on northern boundary of Parkhall Farm 3 (H15) is Ancient Woodland and a suitable buffer between ancient woodland and housing should be provided”</i>.</p>	<p>As above.</p>
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	<p>46. On page 76, under “Landscape and Open Space”, third bullet point, amend second sentence to read <i>“Areas of ancient and semi-natural woodland within and adjacent to the sites should be retained, reinforced and brought under management, with a suitable buffer provided between ancient woodland and housing”</i>.</p>	<p>As above.</p>
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	<p>47. In Appendix 1, page a05, add the following text to the site comments for H30 Former Denny High School: <i>“Ancient Woodland is present to the south of the site. A suitable buffer should be provided between ancient woodland and housing”</i>.*</p> <p>*The modification was inserted into the Major Areas of Change:</p>	<p>As above.</p>

	Development Guidance (pg. 82) rather than the site comment. It was felt the guidance was a more appropriate section to add the modification.	
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	48. In Appendix 1, page a06, amend sixth sentence to read <i>“Callendar Wood and boundary wall to be sensitively treated with suitable buffer, bearing in mind status as an Inventory Garden and Designed Landscape and Ancient Woodland”</i> . * <i>*The modification relates to the site comments for H42 Woodend Farm.</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	49. In Appendix 1, page a07, add the following text to the site comments for H48 Castle View: <i>“Ancient Woodland is present in the south-west of the site. A suitable buffer should be provided between ancient woodland and housing”</i> .	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	50. In Appendix 1, page a07, add the following text to the site comments for H49 Airth Castle South: <i>“Ancient Woodland is present to the north, east, and south of the site. A suitable buffer should be provided between ancient woodland and housing”</i> .	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	51. In Appendix 1, page a08, add the following text to the site comments for H52 McLaren Park: <i>“Ancient Woodland is present to the north-east of the site. A suitable buffer should be provided between ancient woodland and housing”</i> .	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	52. On page 92, under “Key Principles” for site MU11 Portdownie, Falkirk, provide additional bullet point to read: <i>“Ancient woodland present to south-west of site. A suitable buffer should be provided between ancient woodland and housing.”</i>	As above.

25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	53. On page 78, under “Key Principles” for site BUS02 Manuel Works, provide additional bullet point to read: <i>“Ancient woodland present in north-west of site. A suitable buffer should be provided between ancient woodland and development.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	54. No recommendation stated.	N/A
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	55. In Appendix 1, Housing (page a04), amend the site comments for H27 Main Street to read: <i>“For permission to be granted, proposals must be accompanied by project-specific information to inform a Habitats Regulations Appraisal. This will allow Falkirk Council to complete a Habitats Regulations Appraisal, including appropriate assessment if required, demonstrating that there will be no adverse effects on the integrity of the Slamannan Plateau SPA, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects.”</i>	No environmental effects. The modification is a minor factual correction within the site comments replacing the reference to appropriate assessment with Habitats Regulations Appraisal.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	56. In Appendix 1, Business (page a14), amend the site comments for BUS15 Grangemouth Docks West to read: <i>“For permission to be granted, proposals must be accompanied by project-specific information to inform a Habitats Regulations Appraisal. This will allow Falkirk Council to complete a Habitats Regulations Appraisal, including appropriate assessment if required, demonstrating that there will be no adverse effects on the integrity of the Firth of Forth SPA, River Teith SAC and Outer Firth of Forth and St Andrew’s Bay Complex pSPA, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects.”</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	57. In Appendix 1, Business (page a15), amend the site comments for BUS18 Wholeflats Business Park to read: <i>“For</i>	As above.

Mitigation	<i>permission to be granted, proposals must be accompanied by project-specific information to inform a Habitats Regulations Appraisal. This will allow Falkirk Council to complete a Habitats Regulations Appraisal, including appropriate assessment if required, demonstrating that there will be no adverse effects on the integrity of the Firth of Forth SPA, River Teith SAC and Outer Firth of Forth and St Andrew's Bay Complex pSPA, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects."</i>	
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	58. In Appendix 1, Infrastructure (page a19), amend the site comments for IN19-21 Dalderse, Torwood, Whitecross Waste Water Treatment Works Upgrades to read: <i>"At Dalderse WWTW for permission to be granted, proposals must be accompanied by project-specific information to inform a Habitats Regulations Appraisal. This will allow Falkirk Council to complete a Habitats Regulations Appraisal, including appropriate assessment if required, demonstrating that there will be no adverse effects on the integrity of the River Teith SAC, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects."</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	59. In Appendix 1, Green and Blue Network (page a20), amend the site comments for GN01 John Muir Way to read: <i>"In respect of proposals affecting the River Forth, for permission to be granted, proposals must be accompanied by project-specific information to inform a Habitats Regulations Appraisal. This will allow Falkirk Council to complete a Habitats Regulations Appraisal, including appropriate assessment if required, demonstrating that there will be no adverse effects on the integrity of the Firth of Forth SPA, or Outer Firth of Forth and St Andrew's Bay Complex pSPA, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects."</i>	As above.

25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	<p>60. In Appendix 1, Green and Blue Network (page a20), amend the site comments for GN03 Kinneil Kerse to read: <i>“In respect of proposals affecting the River Forth, for permission to be granted, proposals must be accompanied by project-specific information to inform a Habitats Regulations Appraisal. This will allow Falkirk Council to complete a Habitats Regulations Appraisal, including appropriate assessment if required, demonstrating that there will be no adverse effects on the integrity of the Firth of Forth SPA, River Teith SAC, or Outer Firth of Forth and St Andrew’s Bay Complex pSPA, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects.”</i></p>	<p>As above.</p>
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	<p>61. In Appendix 1, Green and Blue Network (page a20), amend the site comments for GN04 Bothkennar/Skinflats to read: <i>“For permission to be granted, proposals must be accompanied by project-specific information to inform a Habitats Regulations Appraisal. This will allow Falkirk Council to complete a Habitats Regulations Appraisal, including appropriate assessment if required, demonstrating that there will be no adverse effects on the integrity of the Firth of Forth SPA, or Outer Firth of Forth and St Andrew’s Bay Complex pSPA, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects.”</i></p>	<p>As above.</p>
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	<p>62. In Appendix 1, Green and Blue Network (page a21), amend the site comments for GN06 River Carron Corridor Improvements to read: <i>“For permission to be granted, proposals must be accompanied by project-specific information to inform a Habitats Regulations Appraisal. This will allow Falkirk Council to complete a</i></p>	<p>As above.</p>

	<i>Habitats Regulations Appraisal, including appropriate assessment if required, demonstrating that there will be no adverse effects on the integrity of the River Teith SAC, Firth of Forth SPA and the Outer Firth of Forth and St Andrew's Bay Complex pSPA, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects."</i>	
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	63. In Appendix 1, Green and Blue Network (page a22), amend the site comments for GN19 River Avon Corridor to read: <i>"For permission to be granted, proposals must be accompanied by project-specific information to inform a Habitats Regulations Appraisal. This will allow Falkirk Council to complete a Habitats Regulations Appraisal, including appropriate assessment if required, demonstrating that there will be no adverse effects on the integrity of the Slamannan Plateau SPA, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects."</i>	As above.
25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation	64. In Appendix 1, Green and Blue Network (page a24), amend the site comments for GN25 Outdoor Learning Sites to read: <i>"In respect of the Kinneil Foreshore LNR, for permission to be granted, proposals must be accompanied by project-specific information to inform a Habitats Regulations Appraisal. This will allow Falkirk Council to complete a Habitats Regulations Appraisal, including appropriate assessment if required, demonstrating that there will be no adverse effects on the integrity of the Firth of Forth SPA or the Outer Firth of Forth and St Andrew's Bay Complex pSPA, either alone or in combination with other plans or projects."</i>	As above.

<p>25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation</p>	<p>65. On page 92, under “Key Principles” for site MU11 Portdownie, Falkirk, provide additional bullet point to read <i>“Existing trees are retained and incorporated into the public realm, as appropriate”</i>. Under “Other Requirements” provide additional bullet point to read <i>“Undertake species surveys and prepare any required species Management Plan(s)”</i>.</p> <p>66. On page 93, on accompanying map, show the north elevation of the Union Inn as a key frontage.</p>	<p>The modification inserts additional key principles for the development of MU11 Portdownie site. These principles do not materially alter the previous assessment of the site but enhance the mitigation of potential adverse effects on biodiversity and cultural heritage (which is already built into the plan via planning policy and the Major Areas of Change: Development Guidance).</p>
<p>25. Site Specific Environmental Mitigation</p>	<p>67. In Appendix 1, page a11, amend the site comments for MU20 East Bonnybridge by adding the following text: <i>“Principles for frontages along the A803 Falkirk Road, establishing new gateway / settlement edge to this new boundary for Bonnybridge. Protected species surveys to be undertaken particularly along the Bonny Water, Rowan Tree Burn and Forth & Clyde Canal with preparation of any required Species Management Plan(s). Pedestrian and cycle links, including as part of green networks, to the Forth & Clyde Canal towpath and via existing routes such as along the A803, Smeaton Drive and Gateside Avenue.”</i></p>	<p>The modification inserts additional key principles for the development of MU11 Portdownie site. These principles do not materially alter the previous assessment of the site but enhance the mitigation of potential adverse effects (which is already built into the plan via planning policy and the Major Areas of Change: Development Guidance).</p>
<p>26. Miscellaneous</p>	<p>1. On page 4, add <i>“...and enhanced.”</i> to the end of the last sentence of paragraph 1.01.</p>	<p>The modification is a minor change to the supporting text. No environmental effects.</p>

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