**West Dunbartonshire Council**

**Screening Determination for Green Network and Green Infrastructure Supplementary Guidance**

**11 May 2022**

This statement sets out West Dunbartonshire Council’s determination under Section 8(1) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 on whether a Strategic Environmental Assessment is required for the above Supplementary Guidance.

Following consultation with NatureScot, Historic Environment Scotland and the Scottish Environment Protection Agency, West Dunbartonshire Council determines that the Supplementary Guidance will be unlikely to have any significant environmental effects and therefore a Strategic Environmental Assessment is not required.

**Reasons for Determination**

The views of the Consultation Authorities are shown below:

| **Consultation Authority** | **Date of response** | **Likelihood of significant environmental effects** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Scottish Environment Protection Agency | 21 April 2022 | No |
| NatureScot | 8 April 2022 | No |
| Historic Environment Scotland | 13 April 2022 | No |

The Supplementary Guidance ‘Green Network and Green Infrastructure’ will support the West Dunbartonshire Local Development Plan (LDP2), which includes a clear commitment that Supplementary Guidance will be prepared on this topic. The LDP has been subject to a full and comprehensive SEA. The introduction of the Supplementary Guidance does not introduce any new environmental effects that have not already been assessed through the SEA of the higher level plan i.e. the Local Development Plan.

Having considered the criteria set out in the Act and taken on board the views of the consultation authorities, West Dunbartonshire Council considers that the Supplementary Guidance is unlikely to have significant environmental effects that have not previously been identified and assessed. SEA is therefore not required in this instance.

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