Final SA/SEA Screening Opinion, February 2015

Basements Supplementary Planning Document

The Council produced a Screening Report on the Basements Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) during the course of its preparation. The Screening Report was produced in December 2014 and English Heritage, Natural England and the Environment Agency1 were consulted on the Screening Opinion, from 10 December 2014 to 21 January 2015.

The Council received responses on the Screening Report, December 2014 from the Environment Agency and English Heritage. Both of these responses conclude that the Basements SPD does not require a Strategic Environmental Assessment or Sustainability Appraisal.

The Council’s final Screening Opinion, after consulting the consultation bodies and taking into account the criteria specified in Schedule 1 of the Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004, is that the Basements SPD does not require a SEA/SA for the reasons set out in the Screening Report, December 2014.

The Screening Report and the responses received from the Environment Agency and English Heritage are available on-line as part of the Basements SPD consultation at https://planningconsult.rbkc.gov.uk/.

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1 R4(1), The Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes Regulations 2004; paragraph 014, NPPG SEA & SA