

## ANNEX 1D Habitats Regulations Assessment for the Development Strategy and Emerging Policy Principles

CONSULTATION POINT	SUMMARY OF ISSUE
<b>Habitats Regulations Assessment for the Development Strategy and Emerging Policy Principles</b> 5 representations by 5 people 1 support 2 object 2 comment	Take every opportunity in proposed developments to replace and plant trees. Cheshire is one of the least wooded counties.
	United Utilities suggest alterations to Table 2.2 and para 4.3.2, support conclusions and recommendations, and request discussion with the Council
	No mention is made of Areas of Specific County Value eg Land off Fence Avenue, which is also a Nature Conservation Priority Area, recreation and amenity area etc.
	Too much habitat will be lost.
<b>Introduction</b> 15 representations by 15 people 3 support 6 object 6 comment	Goostrey has a range of protected sites and species, the protection of which should be supported. Includes SSSI, bats, Great Crested Newts etc.
	The Shavington Triangle site has goshawk, newts, toads etc; development here will result in flooding; infrastructure will not cope; development contradicts plan objectives; the land ensures individuality of Shavington and Wybunbury; there has been no satisfactory ecological assessment; the huge majority of respondents are against development here; local village plan has been ignored
	Given the housing figures for villages, they will increase dramatically in size
	This consultation is not fit for purpose and should be declared invalid, and re-run. Far too many documents to respond to.
	Introduction does not mention SSSI or SBI sites.
	Housing, golf course extension and sports fields proposals envisaged in Knutsford are close to Ramsar site within Tatton Park and could have various impacts.
<b>Screening Assessment</b> 2 representations by 2 people 1 support 1 object	Support identification and protection of European sites
	Ensure effective geological, air quality and ground water surveys are undertaken
	Para 5.3 states ‘potentially ... significant adverse effects’. Letters between the Council and Natural England are not ‘appropriate assessment’ to the risk to Wybunbury Moss. No scientific evidence is put forward to confirm or refuse risk from water flows, footfall, potential habitat and biodiversity interference etc.
<b>Development Strategy</b> 4 representations by 2 people 4 object	Stapeley Water Gardens – Nantwich infrastructure cannot take any more expansion. Will damage the community fabric.
	There should be a Strategic Open Gap between North West Knutsford and adjacent villages/settlements
	Knutsford – no requirement for additional employment land due to much vacant property and surplus new commercial property in Northwich and Manchester Airport.
	No need to safeguard land if it is not needed during the plan period.
	No need for community facility/place of worship/public house etc in North West Knutsford. Provision would contradict any attempt to ensure sustainability of existing facilities in the town.