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INTRODUCTION

- 14.1 **Chapter 14: Socio-Economics and Land Use**, of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIA Report) provides an assessment of the proposed development on the socio-economics and land use of the area/region it would be located, including the effects on recreation and tourism.
- 14.2 The amendments to the proposed development, as set out in **Chapter 3: Description of Development** of this Supplementary Environmental Information (SEI), would not result in changes to the significance of effects presented within Chapter 14 of the EIA Report. All of the information contained in Chapter 14 of the EIA Report, including the associated Figures and Technical Appendices, therefore remain valid in terms of existing conditions, assessment methodology and significance of effects.

CONSULTEE RESPONSES TO THE 2022 KIRKTON APPLICATION

- 14.3 **Table 14-1** below provides a summary of the Socio-Economic and Land Use related responses to the 2022 Kirkton Energy Park application, received from key consultees. Replies to the consultee responses are also provided in **Table 14-1**.

Table 14-1: Consultation Responses

Consultee	Comments	Response
The Highland Council (THC) Access Officer March 2023	<p>There is limited public recreation use of the land within this development site so construction impacts are expected to be restricted to those associated with the public road by Kirkton Cemetery where core path SU19.03 starts. A Recreational Access Management Plan will be expected to manage public access during the construction and operation period of the development.</p> <p>There was an opportunity to create a non-motorised link from the turbine 11 to Upper Bighouse or improvement made to the existing core path SU19.03. Such improvements have not been put forward in this application but they could be considered at a later date.</p>	<p>Noted and expected that a Recreational Access Management Plan would be required via a Planning Condition.</p> <p>The applicant and landowner is happy to commit to the creation of a non-motorised walking link path from around turbine No. 11 to Upper Bighouse and the existing core path SU19.03. It is expected that a requirement for such a link could be included as a Planning Condition.</p>
The Northern District Salmon Fishery Board 07 December 2022	<p>Thank you for consulting with the Northern District Salmon Fishery Board regarding the above application. The Board has reviewed the Environmental Impact Assessment, and in particular the sections covering aquatic ecology. We are satisfied at this stage that the ecological consultant has fully satisfied the Board's interests.</p> <p>We therefore have no specific comment to make at this stage and look forward to continuing to</p>	Noted.

	receive communication on the application as it progresses.	
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CONCLUSIONS

- 14.4 There are no changes to the significance of effects presented in Chapter 14 of the EIA Report as a result of the amendments that have been made to the proposed development. Therefore, Chapter 14 of the EIA Report and its associated Figure and Technical Appendices remain valid.