## EAST HERTS COUNCIL

## NON KEY DECISION TAKEN BY EXECUTIVE MEMBER

## Record of decision made by the Executive Member pursuant to Regulation 13 of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012

| Reference Number:                  | NKD19/14  |
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| Date of decision:                  | 20 September 2019   |
| Exempt information<br>(Yes/No):    | No  |
| Subject:                           | Thundridge Neighbourhood Plan<br>2018-2033 Draft Submission Version<br>SEA Screening Report   |
| Authorised by Executive<br>Member: | Councillor Linda Haysey – Leader of<br>the Council  |
|                                    | Cllr Jan Goodeve – Executive<br>Member for Planning and Growth  |
| Contact Officer:                   | Sara Saunders– Head of Planning<br>and Building Control   |
| Decision:                          | That Thundridge Parish Council be advised that:   |
|                                    | <ul> <li>(A) In accordance with Regulation 9         <ul> <li>of the Environmental</li> <li>Assessment of Plans and</li> <li>Programmes Regulations 2004,</li> <li>the District Council, as the</li> <li>responsible authority, has</li> <li>determined that an</li> <li>environmental assessment of</li> </ul> </li> </ul> |

|  | <ul> <li>the emerging Thundridge</li> <li>Neighbourhood Plan is not</li> <li>required as it is unlikely to have</li> <li>significant environmental effects.</li> <li>In making this determination,</li> <li>the District Council has had</li> <li>regard to Schedule 1 of the</li> <li>Regulations and has carried out</li> <li>consultation with the</li> <li>consultation bodies; and</li> </ul> (B) The emerging Thundridge <ul> <li>Neighbourhood Plan is unlikely</li> <li>to have a significant effect upon</li> <li>a Natura 2000 designation and</li> <li>therefore does not require an</li> <li>HRA.</li> </ul> |
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| Reason for Decision:   | To determine whether or not a<br>Strategic Environmental Assessment<br>(SEA) and/or a Habitats Regulations<br>Assessment (HRA) of the emerging<br>Thundridge Parish Neighbourhood<br>Development Plan is required.<br>The report concludes that the<br>Neighbourhood Plan does not<br>require either a Strategic<br>Environmental Assessment (SEA) or<br>a Habitats Regulations Assessment<br>(HRA) because the Plan is not likely<br>to have significant environmental<br>effects.  |
| Details (if any) of<br>alternative options<br>considered and rejected: | N/A  |
| Any declarations of  | N/A  |

| conflict of interest<br>and/or dispensations<br>granted: |  |
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| Linked to Corporate<br>Priority:                         | Priority 1 – Improve the health and wellbeing of our communities |
|  | Priority 2 – Enhance the quality of people's lives               |
|  | Priority 3 – Enable a flourishing local<br>economy               |
| Finance Officer<br>consulted:                            | N/A  |
| Legal Officer consulted:                                 | N/A  |
| Other Officers consulted:                                | N/A  |