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BY EMAIL ONLY

Dear Kirstin Clow

Planning consultation: City of York Local Plan Phase Three Hearings – Proposed update to Policy ST15

Thank you for consulting Natural England.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

Natural England notes the proposed updates to Policy ST15 provided in your email dated 21 July 2022. We welcome the updates which we consider provide greater clarity regarding the securing of ecological mitigation and enhancement measures required for Strategic Site ST15.

We have no outstanding concerns regarding the wording of Policy ST15 at this stage.

We would be happy to comment further should the need arise but if in the meantime you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

For any queries relating to the specific advice in this letter please contact Merlin Ash at Merlin.ash@naturalengland.org.uk on 02080 266382. For any new consultations, or to provide further information on this consultation please send your correspondences to <u>consultations@naturalengland.org.uk</u>.

Yours sincerely

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