

Hyndburn Local Plan 2040 - HRA Screening Report

Review of Plans for In-Combination Effects

It is a requirement of the Regulations that the impacts and effects of any land use plan being assessed are not considered in isolation but in combination with other plans and projects that may also be affecting the European site(s) in question. In practice, 'in combination assessment' is of greatest importance when the policy would otherwise be screened out because the individual contribution is not significant. Where housing and employment is being delivered in surrounding authorities this is captured in the 'in combination' assessment through consideration of the relevant Local Plan that sets out the total amount of housing and employment growth that will be delivered across that authority during its plan period. Policies identified in green do not provide for impact pathways, either alone or in-combination with any other policies, Plans or Projects, that could link to a European designated site.

Plan	Summary	Plan HRA Conclusions	Potential for in-combination effects	Notes / Assessment
<i>Blackburn Local Plan 2021 - 2037</i>	Sets out the development strategy, policies and proposals, including site allocations, which will guide land use and development in the Borough up to 2032. Includes provision for 7,152 homes.	No significant effects.	Yes	The Blackburn with Darwen Local Plan HRA concluded that adoption and implementation of the Blackburn with Darwen Local Plan will have no likely significant effects, alone or in-combination with other plans, on the European sites identified in this HRA and an Appropriate Assessment is not required (Chapter 6 and Appendix 2). Therefore, significant in-combination effects with the Hyndburn Local Plan are not considered likely.
<i>Burnley Local Plan 2012-2032 (adopted)</i>	Sets out the development strategy, policies and proposals, including site allocations, which will guide land use and development in the Borough up to 2032. Includes provision for 3,880 homes.	No adverse effects.	Yes	The Burnley Local Plan HRA concludes that there will be no adverse effects alone or in combination any European sites. The review of HRA work carried out by neighbouring districts in relation to their emerging development plans did not identify any Likely Significant Effects which may combine with the effects of the Burnley Local Plan (see Section 6). Therefore, significant in-combination effects with the Hyndburn Local Plan are not considered likely.
<i>Pendle Local Plan 2021-2040 (under examination – main modifications consultation)</i>	Sets out the development strategy, policies and proposals, including site allocations, which will guide land use and development in the Borough up to 2040.	No significant effects.	Yes	On the basis of the evidence available Pendle Borough Council has concluded that in Local Plan there are no development proposals directly connected with, or necessary to the management of the South Pennine Moors SPA/SAC, and that other development proposals in the plan are not likely to have a significant effect on integrity or management objectives associated with a

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	Includes provision for 2,812 homes.			European Site. As such an Appropriate Assessment will not be required (Section 6). Therefore, significant in-combination effects with the Hyndburn Local Plan are not considered likely.
<i>Rossendale Local Plan 2019 - 2036</i>	Sets out the development strategy, policies and proposals, including site allocations, which will guide land use and development in the Borough up to 2036. Includes provision for 3,191 homes.	No adverse effects.	Yes	It is considered unlikely that the Rossendale Local Plan will lead to adverse effects on site integrity at either the South Pennine Moors SAC or South Pennine Moors Phase 2 SPA alone or in-combination with other plans. Similarly, no adverse effects on site integrity are associated with Rochdale Canal SAC or Manchester Mosses SAC (section 10). Therefore, significant in-combination effects with the Hyndburn Local Plan are not considered likely.
<i>Ribble Valley Housing and Economic Development DPD - 2019</i>	Sets out site based policies, including specific site allocations for housing and employment in the Borough up to 2028. Includes provision for 5,600 homes.	No significant effects.	Yes	The assessment of in-combination effects of the Ribble Valley HED DPD itself revealed that only a small number of the allocations were located within areas that could potentially support bird species associated with the SPA/Ramsar sites, all of which were small scale and located on the edge of existing development and therefore considered unlikely to support significant numbers of birds. In addition, developers will be required to ensure any potential impacts upon European sites are fully assessed before planning permission can be granted. No other in-combination impact pathways have been identified. Therefore, it is not considered that the Ribble Valley HED DPD would contribute to significant in-combination effects which is in agreement with the HRA conclusions of the Adopted Core Strategy HRA (Section 6). Therefore, significant in-combination effects with the Hyndburn Local Plan are not considered likely.
<i>United Utilities Final Water Resources Management Plan (2021 – 2045)</i>	The Water Resources Management Plan (WRMP) plans for an adequate supply to meet demand from 2025 to 2085, and a supply system that is resilient to drought. Water Resource	No adverse effects.	Yes	Regional and local plans have been reviewed at a high level to determine whether there are any likely significant ‘in combination’ effects, with allocation sites identified where possible. This review has not indicated any potential or likely ‘in combination’ effects that could occur as a result of cumulative development pressure, and in reality the timescales involved in the implementation of the options and the absence of detail on allocation proposals makes any ‘in combination’ assessment difficult and potentially

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<i>Forest of Bowland Management Plan 2019 - 2024</i>	Management Plans are updated every five years.			meaningless. However, the construction works required for the option are temporary and not of a scale or type that would make 'in combination' effects likely (Section 7). Therefore, significant in-combination effects with the Hyndburn Local Plan are not considered likely.
	The Forest of Bowland Management Plan provides a management framework for future development of the National Landscape.	No significant effects.	Yes	It was concluded that there are no likely significant effects on European designated sites, alone or in combination with other plans and projects (page 16). Therefore, significant in-combination effects with the Hyndburn Local Plan are not considered likely.