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Dear LDF team

Kelbrook & Sough Neighbourhood Plan (Reg 16 Submission)

Thank you for consulting Historic England on the emerging neighbourhood plan for Kelbrook & Sough. Historic England is the Government's statutory adviser on all matters relating to the historic environment in England. We are a non-departmental public body established under the National Heritage Act 1983 and sponsored by the Department for Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS). We champion and protect England's historic places, providing expert advice to local planning authorities, developers, owners and communities to help ensure our historic environment is properly understood, enjoyed and cared for.

Kelbrook & Sough Neighbourhood Plan area contains a small number of designated heritage assets (all Grade II). It is also likely to contain features of local historic, architectural or archaeological value. We view that the conservation and archaeological staff of Pendle Council and Lancashire County Council are best placed to advise on this particular neighbourhood plan. Notwithstanding, we do provide our general advice below.

To ensure that the protection and enhancement of the historic environment is fully embedded within Kelbrook & Sough Neighbourhood Plan we recommend that you refer to Historic England's advice on Neighbourhood Planning and particularly *Neighbourhood Planning & the Historic Environment (Historic England Advice Note No.11,* the 2nd Edition of which has been published this week, 5th April 2022). It is available on our website here: <u>historicengland.org.uk/advice/planning/improve-your-neighbourhood/policy-writing/ <https://historicengland.org.uk/advice/planning/improve-your-your-neighbourhood/policy-writing/></u>

As the plan proposes the allocation of sites, we strongly recommend that you refer to our advice note *HE Advice Note 3 - Site Allocations in Local Plans* (which also applies to neighbourhood plans) as well as *Neighbourhood Plan Policy Writing Information Sheet 4*, to help ensure that any site allocations avoid harming the significance of both designated and non-designated heritage assets, including effects on their settings. These documents can be found here:

historicengland.org.uk/images-books/publications/historic-environment-and-siteallocations-in-local-plans https://historicengland.org.uk/images-



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We note that the plan is accompanied by a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) screening report. As we understand it:

- The plan area contains some heritage assets including listed buildings;
- Heritage assets are fragile and irreplaceable and can be harmed by change both directly and indirectly, through development within their setting;
- The plan proposes site allocations.

In view of the above factors, we would advise that the need for SEA of the plan cannot be screened out in relation to our particular interests. We direct you to our advice note which supports the SEA process: *HE Advice Note 8, Sustainability Appraisal and Strategic Environmental Assessment* <u>historicengland.org.uk/images-</u> <u>books/publications/sustainability-appraisal-and-strategic-environmental-assessment-</u> <u>advice-note-8/ <https://historicengland.org.uk/images-books/publications/sustainabilityappraisal-and-strategic-environmental-assessment-advice-note-8/></u>

Thank you for providing Historic England with the opportunity to comment.

Yours sincerely

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