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Your ref: Staithes Harbour Asset Refurbishment



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Dear Jamie

Case name: Staithes Harbour Asset Refurbishment Scheme

Location: Staithes, North Yorkshire

Thank you for your consultation dated 4 April 2012 which we received on the same day.

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.

**Staithes to Port Mulgrave Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)
North York Moors National Park
North Yorkshire and Cleveland Heritage Coast**

Scheme advice to the Environment Agency: *Staithes Harbour Asset Refurbishment Scheme from Scarborough Borough Council for implementation.*

Following the information received from the body above regarding this scheme, we write to confirm that it is Natural England's view that **it is likely to lead to an environmentally acceptable solution. However we note that there is an inconsistency in the document. Section 4 refers to option 3 (wall repair works) as the preferred option, whereas section 5 refers to option 2 as the preferred option. We have based our assessment on the information provided in Appendix A, the proposed works.**

This advice is offered based on the information provided to date. It is given without prejudice to any advice that Natural England may offer in accordance with its statutory role under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 or assent that may be required under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended by the Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000). Formal comment on the proposal will be provided following consultation on the Environmental

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Statement as required under the relevant Regulations. We look forward to receiving further information as the proposal is developed.

Summary of Natural England's advice	Answer only yes or no
Is the scheme likely to lead to an environmentally acceptable solution?	yes
Is the scheme likely to require an appropriate assessment under the Habitats Regulations?	no

For any correspondence or queries relating to this consultation only, please contact Susan Wilson on 0300 060 1877. For all other correspondence, please contact the address above.

Yours sincerely

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