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## BY EMAIL ONLY

## Dear Helen

Request for opinion under Regulation 76 of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 of the revised scheme design of proposed public realm works. Location: Armada Way, Plymouth, PL1 1HZ

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.

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated 31 January 2024 which was received by Natural England on the same date, including:

- The HRA addendum technical note, completed by WSP, containing the latest scheme drawings and updated EMP documents, prepared by Morgan Sindall, revision 003, dated 10/01/24.
- The previous decision based on the old scheme design under Regulation 77.
- Natural England's response to the previous HRA determination under Regulation 77
- The HRA produced by your Authority, based on the old scheme design, dated 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023

Natural England is a statutory consultee on the appropriate assessment stage of the Habitats Regulations Assessment process. Your appropriate assessment, dated 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023, concludes that your authority is able to ascertain that the proposal will not result in adverse effects on the integrity of Plymouth Sound and Estuaries SAC. Having considered the revisions to the scheme provided in the documents listed above, Natural England's opinion is that the revised scheme will not adversely affect the integrity of the European site, providing that all mitigation measures are appropriately secured.

Yours sincerely

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