## Angus Forestry & Woodland Strategy

## Habitat Regulations Appraisal – Response from NatureScot

Comments from NatureScot	Council Response
As discussed on 16 February 2024 the Habitats Regulation Appraisal is incomplete and we recommend this is revised to include a screening matrix that screens objectives/policies in the Strategy in or out, assesses likely significant effects and identifies any mitigation. We will provide separate comments on this when this has been revised.	Thank you for the guidance. A screening matrix will be included in the HRA as requested. As per discussions, it is understood that this would not affect the conclusions of the appraisal which are otherwise considered robust.