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Dear Tim

Planning consultation: Chardstock Neighbourhood Plan – submission version

Thank you for your consultation on the above dated 03 February 2017.

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.

We welcome the progression of the Chardstock Neighbourhood Plan and we support the changes made to Policy CPNP04.

In the interest of clarity for the users of the plan, and in line with the NPPF, we would recommend that Policy CPNP04 states that not only the protection, but also the *enhancement* of the well-documented biodiversity and established geodiversity of the parish is a very high priority.

We would be happy to comment further should the need arise but if in the meantime you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

For any queries relating to the specific advice in this letter only please contact Corine Dyke on [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]. For any new consultations, or to provide further information on this consultation please send your correspondences to [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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