

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Witchford Submission Neighbourhood Plan. The following response is submitted on behalf of Anglian Water.

I would be grateful if you could confirm that you have received this response.

### **Policy WNP SS1 A spatial strategy for Witchford**

Reference is made to 'other uses' being appropriate in countryside location although this term is not defined. In our earlier comments we had asked for clarification that this would include essential infrastructure provided by Anglian Water for our customers. No specific changes have been proposed in respect of these comments.

Anglian Water's existing infrastructure is often located in the open countryside at a distance from built up areas.

It is therefore proposed that the wording of Policy SS1 be amended as follows:

'• development for agriculture, horticulture, outdoor recreation, essential educational infrastructure, **utility infrastructure** and other uses that need to be located in the countryside.'

### **Site Allocation WNP WFDH1**

We note that it is proposed to allocate three sites for residential development which currently have with the benefit of planning permission. Anglian Water has no objection to the principle of residential development on the above site.

Anglian Water is supportive of Policy WFDH1 as it states that development proposals for this site should incorporate a surface water drainage scheme based upon sustainable design principles. The use of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) would help to reduce the risk of surface water and sewer flooding.

### **Site Allocation WNP WFDH2**

We note that it is proposed to allocate three sites for residential development which currently have with the benefit of planning permission. Anglian Water has no objection to the principle of residential development on the above site.

Anglian Water is supportive of Policy WFDH1 as it states that development proposals for this site should incorporate a surface water drainage scheme based upon sustainable design principles. The use of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) would help to reduce the risk of surface water and sewer flooding.

### **Site Allocation WNP WFDH3**

We note that it is proposed to allocate three sites for residential development which currently have with the benefit of planning permission. Anglian Water has no objection to the principle of residential development on the above site.

Anglian Water is supportive of Policy WFDH3 as it states that development proposals for this site should incorporate a surface water drainage scheme based upon sustainable design principles. The use of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) would help to reduce the risk of surface water and sewer flooding.

### **WNP H5 – Flooding**

We note that changes have made to Policy H5 in response to comments made by Anglian Water as part of the earlier consultation.

Anglian Water fully supports Policy H5 as amended as it states clear that SuDs is the preferred method of surface water disposal including locations outside of areas identified as being at risk of surface water flooding. This would help to reduce the risk of surface water and sewer flooding.

Should you have any queries relating to this response please let me know.

Regards,

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