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Lime Down Solar Park – Development Consent Order (DCO) Application

Environment Agency Examination Deadline 8 Response: Closing Statement

Dear Examining Authority

This letter constitutes the Environment Agency's Deadline 8 Closing Statement to the above mentioned DCO application.

Our updated comments and position on the issues raised in our Relevant Representation/ Written Representation/ Examination responses following review of the Deadline 7 submissions are presented in Appendix 1.

To summarise, the only issue not to be agreed is WR EA-002 use of the words "Substantially in accordance with" in relation to the DCO requirements which we are a consultee for. We agree in principle to the changes the applicant has made to the Permitted Preliminary Works Environmental Management Plan and Mitigation Route Map, but have recommended some further changes to improve them. All other issues raised have now been agreed.

I trust this information is of use.

Yours faithfully

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Appendix 1: Updated comments and position on the issues raised in our Relevant Representation/ Written Representation/ Examination responses following review of documents submitted at Deadline 7

EA RR ID Ref in PDA-009	Issue	Topic (s)	Environment Agency Updated Position following Deadline 7 submissions
EA001-EA-011s summarise the issues below	See below	See below	NA
EA-012	REP5-012 3.1 Draft Development Consent Order (Rev 5)	Disapplying Flood Risk Activity Permits	Agree- as per Deadline 6 response.
EA-013	REP3-006 3.1 Draft Development Consent Order (Rev 3)	Requirement 13 Construction environmental management plan (CEMP)	Agreed- as per Deadline 4 response.
EA-014	REP3-006 3.1 Draft Development Consent	Requirement 14 Operational	Agreed as per Deadline 4 response.

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	Order (Rev 3)	environmental management plan (OEMP)	
EA-015	REP1-008 3.1 Draft Development Consent Order (Rev 2)	Requirement 17 Soil Management	Agreed- As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-016	Fisheries	Fish species protection	Agreed- As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-017	Fisheries, Biodiversity and Geomorphology	Watercourse Crossings	Agreed- As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-018	Fisheries, Biodiversity and Geomorphology	Commitments register: mitigation	Agreed- As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-019	Fisheries, Biodiversity and Geomorphology	Ecological assessments	Agree- As per Deadline 2 response.

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EA-020	Fisheries, Biodiversity and Geomorphology	Aquatic invertebrates	Agree- As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-021	Fisheries, Biodiversity and Geomorphology	Watercourse buffers	Agree- As per Deadline 5 response
EA-022	Water Framework Directive	Groundwater Bodies	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response.
EA-023	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Piling	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response
EA-024	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) foundation solution	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response.
EA-025	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Fire water supply and storage within the Outline Battery Safety	Agree- as per Deadline 2 response.

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		Management Plan (oBSMP)	
EA-026	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Ground infrastructure will be left in-situ following the decommissioning phase	Agree- as per Deadline 2 response.
EA-027	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Suitable mitigation where groundwater may be encountered.	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response.
EA-028	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Per-and poly fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) based materials	Agree- as per Deadline 2 response.
EA-029	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Licensed groundwater abstractions	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response.

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EA-030	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Thermal implications of cables	Agree- as per Deadline 6 response.
EA-031	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	The Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Area drainage outfall automatically self-actuating valves	Agree- as per Deadline 2 response.
EA-032	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Ground conditions	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response.
EA-033	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Discovery and Inspection Strategy	Agree- as per Deadline 2 response.
EA-034	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Inconsistency in the walkover surveys carried out.	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response.

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EA-035	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Soil contamination during the operational phase.	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response.
EA-036	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Groundwater risks have not been appropriately assessed.	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response.
EA-037	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Storage and management proposals for batteries have not been provided.	Agree- as per Deadline 2 response.
EA-038	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Mitigation proposals managing risks to groundwater have not been adequately addressed.	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response.

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EA-039	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	No Preliminary Risk Assessments (PRAs) for the interconnecting corridors between the main solar panel areas.	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response.
EA-040	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Maps and data searches in appendices 19-1, 19-2 and 19-5 are not complete or specific to those sites	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response.
EA-041	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	The PRA reports do not refer to the proposed Discovery and	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.

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		Inspection Strategy	
EA-042	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	PRA- off-site vehicle repair garage	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-043	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Unclear whether ground investigation to confirm the conceptual model is proposed to be carried out for several parts of the Proposed Development.	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-044	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Justification for selecting the distances beyond which off site contamination	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.

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Ref in PDA-009			
		sources would not be significant.	
EA-045	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Monks Park Mine	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response
EA-046	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	No drainage strategies are provided for the proposed 400kV and 132kV Substations.	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response.
EA-047	Groundwater and Contaminated Land	Present the SuDS options with consideration of the need for sealed drainage.	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-048	Groundwater and	Table 4: SuDS Mitigation	Agree As per Deadline 4 response.

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	Contaminated Land	Indices is blank.	
EA-049	Flood Risk Assessment	Functional Floodplain (Flood Zone 3b).	Agree As per Deadline 6 response
EA-050	Flood Risk Assessment	Fencing must not inhibit flood flow routes.	Agree- as per Deadline 4 response.
EA-051	Flood Risk Assessment	No assessment of the impacts the construction phase of the development will have on flood risk.	Agree – as per Deadline 5 response.
EA-052	Flood Risk Assessment	It is not clear what freeboard allowances are proposed.	Agree – as per Deadline 5 response.

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EA-053	Flood Risk Assessment	Hydraulic model files for the Gauze Brook have not been reviewed.	Agree An updated section has been included within the Lime Down Appendix D Hydraulic Modelling Report Revision 3 (October 2026) (REP7-106), providing a qualitative assessment of the Rodbourne gauge. Historic event hydrographs are presented in Figure 3 for the November 2012, December 2013 and November 2024 events. The peak flows recorded at the gauge are approximately 25 m³/s for both the November 2012 and December 2013 events, and just over 31 m³/s for the November 2024 event (Storm Bert). For context, the peak flow exiting the hydraulic model, approximately 1 km upstream of the Rodbourne gauge, is 18.3 m³/s in the 1% (1 in 100) Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) plus 39% climate change scenario, 21.7 m³/s in the 1% (1 in 100) AEP plus 71% climate change scenario, and 31.0 m³/s in the 0.1% (1 in 1,000) AEP plus 71% climate change scenario. Whilst the recorded flows at the gauge could suggest that design flows within the model may be underestimated, the gauge is reported to have a measuring capacity of only 0.566 m³/s. In addition, review of the hydraulic model results indicates that predicted water levels are not highly sensitive to changes in flow. When

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			considered alongside the proposed 600 mm freeboard above the design flood level, this suggests that the proposed development is likely to remain suitably resilient to the uncertainties associated with both hydraulic modelling and design flow estimation. Given the relatively limited sensitivity of modelled water levels to changes in flow, these uncertainties are also unlikely to materially influence the assessment of floodplain storage loss associated with the solar panel supports. On this basis no further action is deemed necessary with regards to using the Rodbourne Gauge data in further hydrological assessment. With regards to the modelling of the Rodbourne Brook as documented within Lime Down E2 Hydraulic Modelling Report Rev 2 (October 2026) (REP7-106), there is a flow gauge is located on the Rodbourne Brook at Startley (grid reference: 394000, 183150). The applicant has not referenced this gauge in their modelling report. This gauge has recorded flow data since 1996 and is located approximately 800 m downstream of the modelled reach. Whilst the Startley gauge is not included within the National River Flow Archive and is therefore not considered suitable for QMED estimation or pooled flood frequency analysis, it is available through the Environment Agency Hydrology Data Explorer.

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			Two notable historical events are those of 12 January 2023 and 15 November 2025, during which peak flows of 13.4 m³/s and 14.3 m³/s respectively were recorded. For comparison, the peak flow applied in the hydraulic model for the 1% (1 in 100) AEP present-day event is 12.32 m³/s, increasing to 17.12 m³/s for the 1% (1 in 100) AEP plus 39% climate change scenario. Whilst comparison with the available gauge record could suggest that modelled present-day 1% (1 in 100) annual exceedance probability (AEP) flow may be slightly lower than some observed events, the design event flow (1% (1 in 100) AEP plus 39% climate change) applied to the hydraulic model exceeds the maximum recorded peak flow at the Startley gauge. Furthermore, as discussed for the Gauze Brook (Lime Down D), the proposed development includes a 600 mm freeboard allowance above the design flood level. Taking these factors into account, the Environment Agency considers that the available information does not indicate a need for further assessment or amendments to the Rodbourne Brook hydrological assessment or hydraulic model in relation to the Startley gauge data.
EA-054	Flood Risk Assessment	It is not clear how the	Agreed. As per Deadline 2 response.

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		analysis extent area of 275,000m2 has been derived.	
EA-055	Flood Risk Assessment	Impacts of the solar panel support frames on flood flow conveyance is not discussed. Lime Down D/BESS	Agree As per Deadline 5 response.
EA-056	Flood Risk Assessment	It is not clear how the analysis extent area of 175,580m2 has been derived.	Agreed As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-057	Flood Risk Assessment	Impacts of the solar panel support frames on flood flow	Agree As per Deadline 6 response.

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		conveyance is not discussed. Lime Down E2	
EA-058	Outline Decommissioning Strategy	No clear commitment to the production of an outline or detailed Decommissioning Environmental Management Plan.	Agreed As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-059	Cable Route Construction Method Statement	Cable Route Construction Method Statement	Agree- As per Deadline 5 response.
EA-060	Biodiversity Net Gain	Trading Rules	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-061	Biodiversity Net Gain	Full Biodiversity Net Gain Metric has not been provided.	Agree- As per Deadline 2 response.

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EA-062	Outline Landscape and Ecological Management Plan	Planting strategy misses opportunities to enhance the environment.	Agree- As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-063	Water Framework Directive Assessment	Change the description from “Supports Good” to “Not High” and possibly add an explanation.	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-064	Water Framework Directive Assessment	The assessment does not identify or discuss Groundwater Dependent Terrestrial Ecosystem	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.

EA RR ID Ref in PDA-009	Issue	Topic (s)	Environment Agency Updated Position following Deadline 7 submissions
		s (GWDTEs)	
EA-065	Water Framework Directive Assessment	Subsurface infrastructure such as the Cable Corridor could impact the status of WFD Groundwater Bodies and should not be excluded from assessment.	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-066	Outline Battery Safety Management Plan	Provide details of the products to be used in the proposed liquid cooling systems, and the means by which it will be	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.

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		contained, captured and disposed.	
EA-067	Outline Battery Safety Management Plan	Provide more detail about the inspection and maintenance frequency and protocols for key controls at the BESS site.	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-068	Outline Battery Safety Management Plan	No details are provided of the proposed testing suite or sampling protocol for potentially contaminated firewater captured at the BESS	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.

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		in a fire event.	
EA-069	Outline Battery Safety Management Plan	It is not clear whether the proposed lining of the drainage system at the BESS would be impermeable.	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-070	Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan	Water Quality Mitigation Measures are insufficient	Agree As per Deadline 4 response.
EA-071	Outline Site Waste Management Plan	No inclusion that waste will be assessed in accordance with Waste Technical	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.

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		Guidance WM3	
EA-072	Permitting	Permitting Informative	Agree
EA-073	Flood Risk Assessment	Compensatory flood storage	Agree The applicant has now updated the Design principles and parameters (REP7-067) and confirmed that the substation in C1 will be placed in Flood Zone 1 and will not be located within Flood Zone 3B.
EA-074	Outline Landscape and Ecological Management	Herbicide use	Agreed- as per Deadline 4 response.
EA-075	Outline Ecological Protection and Mitigation Strategy	Improvements to document	Agreed As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-076	Firewater Drainage	Detail of fire water management. A standalone drainage plan is strongly	Agreed As per Deadline 2 response.

EA RR ID Ref in PDA-009	Issue	Topic (s)	Environment Agency Updated Position following Deadline 7 submissions
		recommended.	
EA-077	BESS and Substation Drainage	Proposed drainage layout for the BESS and 400kv Substation development.	Agreed As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-078	Lime Down E Desk Study	former RAF airfield at Hullavington.	Agreed As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-079	outline Battery Safety Management Plan	Battery replacements	Agreed As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-080	Intrusive Ground Investigations	Intrusive Ground Investigations	Agreed As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-081	Decommissioning	Decommissioning of cables	Agreed As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-082	Ground Investigations	Purpose, scope and extent of ground	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.

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Ref in PDA-009			
		investigations	
EA-083	Battery Safety Management Plan	Manual isolation of BESS systems	Agreed As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-084	Battery Safety Management Plan	Battery storage infrastructure should not be delivered to site before all firewater containment arrangements are installed and commissioned.	Agreed As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-085	Battery Safety Management Plan	Emergency Response Plan	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-086	Foundation Design	Piling Risk Assessment references	Agree As per Deadline 2 response..

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EA-087	Commitments Register	Horizontal Directional Drilling	Agree As per Deadline 2 response..
EA-088	Commitments Register	Siting of construction compounds and stockpiles	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-089	Commitments Register	Plant maintenance	Agree As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-090	Commitments Register	Breakout contingency procedures	Agree As per Deadline 2 response..
EA-091	Commitments Register	Per- and polyfluoralkyl substances (PFAS)	Agree- As per Deadline 2 response.
EA-092	Commitments Register	BESS and substation drainage infrastructure	Agree As per Deadline 2 response..
EA-093	Commitments Register	Hydrological risk	Agree As per Deadline 2 response..

EA RR ID	Issue	Topic (s)	Environment Agency Updated Position following Deadline 7 submissions
Ref in PDA-009			
		assessment	

EA Written Rep (WR) REP1-151	Issue	Topic (s)	Environment Agency Updated Position following Deadline 7 submissions
ID Ref in REP2-039			
WR EA-001	Ecology and Biodiversity	Biodiversity Net Gain	Agree
WR EA-002	Draft DCO	"Substantially in accordance with" requirements	Not Agreed We maintain our previous position set out in our written representation REP1-151
WR EA-003	Draft DCO Soil Management	Requirement 17	Agree
WR EA-004	Draft DCO	Procedure for Discharge of Requirements	Agree- as per Deadline 6 response

EA Written Rep (WR) REP1-151 ID Ref in REP2-039	Issue	Topic (s)	Environment Agency Updated Position following Deadline 7 submissions
WR EA-005	Water Quality	Foul Drainage	Agree -as per Deadline 3 response.
WR EA-006	Water Quality	Water Quality Monitoring	Agree - as per Deadline 4 response.
WR EA-007	Water Quality	Vehicle washdown and refuelling areas	Agree -as per Deadline 3 response.
WR EA-008	Water Quality	Concrete management	Agree - as per Deadline 3 response.
WR EA-009	Water Quality	Sediment control and SuDS	Agree - as per Deadline 3 response.
WR EA-010	Water Quality	Fuels, oils and chemical storage	Agree - as per Deadline 4 response.
WR EA-011	Water Quality	Wheel wash water disposal	Agree - as per Deadline 3 response.

EA Written Rep (WR) REP1-151 ID Ref in REP2-039	Issue	Topic (s)	Environment Agency Updated Position following Deadline 7 submissions
WR EA-012	Water Quality	Outline Decommissioning Strategy	Agree- as per Deadline 3 response.
WR EA-013	Water Quality	Watercourse buffers	Agree - as per Deadline 3 response.
WR EA-014	Water Quality	Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) and Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)	Agree- as per Deadline 3 response.
WR EA-015	Statement of Common Ground	Statement of Common Ground	Agree Final Statement of Common Ground has been agreed with the applicant.

Issues raised as part of Deadline 4 Response

EA Deadline 4 response	Issue	Topic	Environment Agency Updated Position following Deadline 7 submissions
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<u>REP4-097</u>			
Action 25	Cable Route Corridor	Species surveys	Agree- as per Deadline 6 response.
Action 25	Fisheries	Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan	Agree- as per Deadline 6 response.

Issues raised as part of Deadline 5 Response

EA Deadline 5 response <u>REP5 124</u>	Issue	Topic	Environment Agency Updated Position following Deadline 6 submissions
DCO2.1	Lime Down C1	Mapped Surface Water flow route- review this dataset to ensure that there are no significant changes in flood extent and depth.	Agree- as per Deadline 7 response
FHW2.8	Outline Construction Environmental Management Plan	Groundwater Monitoring Plan-consultation and reporting	Agree- as per Deadline 7 response

Issues raised as part of Deadline 6 Response

EA Deadline 6 response REP6-074	Issue	Topic	Environment Agency Updated Position following Deadline 7 submissions
EA-01	Natural Flood Management Viability Report (REP5-109)	The comparison mapping in figures 8 and 9 does not clearly demonstrate the spatial impacts of the proposed interventions or clearly identify areas where flood extent is reduced or increased relative to the baseline	Agree Updated depth difference maps for a range of scenarios are now presented in (REP7-118) Lime Down D – Natural Flood Management Viability Report (Rev 2) .
EA-02	Natural Flood Management Viability Report (REP5-109)	The assessment does not demonstrate how the proposed interventions perform during more frequent flood events.	Agree A range of scenarios have now been simulated and are reported within (REP7-118) Lime Down D – Natural Flood Management Viability Report (Rev 2) . This is welcomed. It is noted that there are some increases in depth downstream of the bund feature at grid reference 391530, 183740. This doesn't change the assessment of benefits downstream but if a scheme were carried forward careful consideration would need to be given to bund crest levels and associated overtopping as well as

			whether any storage falls under the requirements of the Reservoirs Act 1975.
EA-03	Environmental Statement Volume 3 Appendix 11.6: Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) and Outline Drainage Strategy – Lime Down D/BESS. August 2026. Revision 5 (REP5-056)	The hydraulic model outputs presented within the FRA do not appear to reflect the latest hydraulic modelling.	Agree The latest Flood Risk Assessment and Outline Drainage Strategy – Lime Down D/BESS Revision 6 (October 2026) (REP7-051) has been updated to reflect the outputs from the latest Gauze Brook hydraulic modelling.

Issues raised as part of Deadline 7 Response

EA Deadline 7 response (REP7-137)	Issue	Topic	Environment Agency Updated Position following Deadline 7 submissions
ISH 7	Permitted Preliminary Works (PPW) Environmental Management Plan (REP7-113)	Water Quality, Groundwater and Contaminated Land, Flood Risk	Agree in principle subject to the comments outlined below on water quality Groundwater and Contaminated Land A discovery strategy has been included in Appendix C and has been signposted within Table 3-13. This satisfies our comments. Flood Risk Our requested change to keep plant outside of the Functional

			Floodplain (Flood Zone 3B) has now been included. Water Quality We agree in principle with the updates made to the Permitted Preliminary Works Environment Management Plan (REP7-113) subject to our comments below being reflected in the document. Any reference to Water Quality monitoring has been removed which leaves some uncertainty with how pre-construction monitoring will occur to ensure a suitable baseline is captured. The removal of any water quality monitoring was not requested in our previous response (REP7-137). We remind the Applicant that despite the newly numbered section 2.5.1 suggesting that there is no monitoring required, that secured in the oCEMP (REP7-073) the Water Management Plan will include details of pre-construction water quality monitoring which will need to capture an accurate baseline which is not impacted by any disturbance of sediment or hazardous materials onsite. When we are consulted on the discharge of Requirement 13 Construction Environmental Management Plan we must consider how the timing and locations of PPW could impact this. In Table 3-5, there is one mention of oil separation for fuel storage, but we could not see reference to oil interceptors for the drainage of
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			temporary compound areas where vehicles and plant will be parked. We recommend that this is included. Table 3-5 says "Temporary drainage will be monitored throughout any PPW." However there is no detail on what this monitoring will be or who will be responsible. If read in relation to section 4.1.3 it will be site walkovers by the Environment Manager but this is unclear. We recommend that the methods, frequency and responsibility of monitoring information is clarified.
ISH 7	Mitigation Route Map(REP7-110)	Document consistency issues	Agree in principle subject to the comments outlined below Table 3-13 , "A discovery and inspection strategy".... states that this is included in the CEMP and DEMP, but it is also mentioned in the OEMP so that should be added to Table 3-13. The OEMP is secured by Requirement 14.

Deadline 7 Documents:

EN010168-002789-7.25 Water Resources Strategy (Rev2) Tracked ([REP7-090](#))

The updates to the water supply strategy provide further clarity on the viability of Wessex water supply. Though this is still not yet progressed, there is enough certainty that alternative supply options are available to the project to cover the demands identified.

With the inclusion and appraisal of landscaping demands, we are satisfied that the applicant has considered all possible demand and supply options comprehensively at this time and that it is unlikely that any abstraction will be required.

Whilst mains water is preferred even for demands which may not require potable quality water, we are pleased to see the applicant is considering water efficiency and rainwater capture as part of its appraisal.