



Huntingdonshire District Council

Local Plan Examination

Statement of Common Ground

As prepared between

Huntingdonshire District Council,

Cambridgeshire County Council as Lead

Flood Authority

and

Environment Agency

Policy LP5 Flood Risk

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Fulfilling Opportunities to reduce Flood risk with LP5 (d)

To make LP5 (d) clear, effective and to ensure that Strategic Flood Risk Assessment recommendations for site allocations are captured, Huntingdonshire District Council, the Environment Agency and Lead Local Flood Authority propose to insert the following reasoning text:

Additional reasoning text to be added as 4.70

The District is projected to have increased susceptibility to future climate impacts beyond the plan period. During the lifetime of most developments, the effectiveness of flood and surface water management assets is expected to reduce.

Opportunities for developments to reduce flood risk in Huntingdonshire will vary depending on the site location and nature of development. Flood risk assessments will be expected to show how the following potential opportunities have been explored:

- additional surface water attenuation through SuDS and rainwater harvesting.
- additional multifunctional flood storage or conveyance capacity within planned open space, or setting aside green space that could be used for water storage in the future.
- contacting local flood risk management authorities to explore the possibility of working in partnership to enhance flood risk management to and from the site.
- Improving the sustainability of flood reduction assets that the development may rely upon at present, or in the future.

To make **LP 5: [2nd paragraph]** consistent with NPPG and practical with the available evidence, amend as follows:

Any reliance on emergency services to make a proposal safe will not be acceptable. Safety risks will be determined with reference to the Defra guidance on flood risk safety FD2320 or successor guidance, on the basis that development should be 'safe for all' for a 1:1000 annual probability flood event, for the lifetime of the development, with appropriate climate change allowances.

5.39 Priority to SuDS

To comply with national policy (Framework Paragraph 103) on giving priority to SuDS to control surface water run-off, 5.39 to be amended as below:

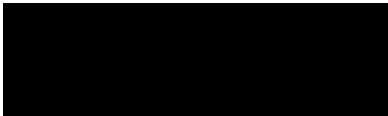
The standing advice of the Middle Level Commissioners (MLC) or the appropriate internal drainage board has been taken into account when designing drainage for new development. ~~In some circumstances, an unregulated flow into the MLC's managed system may be the most appropriate long term solution. For such an approach to be acceptable prior agreement with the MLC will be required.~~

Signed



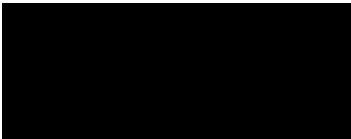
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