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Surface Water and Foul Drainage Supplementary Planning Document

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2. Recommendations

2.1. That the Cabinet recommends to the Council that:

(1) The Surface Water and Foul Drainage Supplementary Planning Document (set out in Appendix 1 to this report) be adopted;

(2) The proposed responses to representations received (set out in Appendix 2 to this report) are approved.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Development Plan and Infrastructure Panel (DPIP) has considered the Surface Water and Foul Drainage Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) and suggested some alterations, which have been incorporated into the document attached at Appendix 1.
- 3.2 The Chichester Local Plan: Key Policies 2014-2029 (CLP) was adopted in July 2015. The CLP recognises that to deliver the growth identified in the plan sustainably and in a timely manner it is necessary to ensure that infrastructure can cope with an increased demand, or that provision is made to enhance it as part of new development.
- 3.3 Background studies produced to inform the CLP highlighted issues with capacity at Wastewater Treatment Works, infiltration and flooding. The SPD expands on the objectives and policies of the CLP and provides further explanation as to how they will be implemented.
- 3.4 The Council approved the draft SPD for public consultation on 1 March 2016. A total of 28 representations were received raising 67 individual comments. All the representations have been considered and where appropriate amendments have been made to the SPD.

4. Outcomes to be achieved

4.1. Adoption of the SPD will result in:

- Improved management of the capacity available for waste water treatment;
- Improved information for developers and applicants about water management and drainage issues; and
- Better quality planning applications that address foul and surface water issues.

5. Proposal

5.1. The SPD, once adopted, will be a material consideration in the determination of planning applications, adding further strength and detail to policies within the adopted CLP. These are:

Policy 9 – Development and Infrastructure Provision;
Policy 12 – Water Management in the Apuldram Wastewater Treatment Works;
Policy 33 – New Residential Development;
Policy 40 – Sustainable Design and Construction;
Policy 42 – Flood Risk and Water Management; and
Policy 52 – Green Infrastructure.

5.2 The SPD provides further clarification, advice and guidance on how these matters should be addressed across the Local Plan area, recognising some specific geographic issues. The SPD also provides practical advice for applicants, assists coordination between regulatory authorities and enables the timely consideration of planning applications.

6. Alternatives that have been considered

6.1 Not producing a formal SPD would be likely to result in more staff resources dealing with queries relating to planning applications and a lower level understanding of drainage issues.

7. Resource and legal implications

7.1 There are no significant resource or legal implications arising from the adoption of the SPD.

8. Consultation

8.1 The SPD was the subject of formal consultation for 6 weeks from 10 March 2016. The representations received and the responses proposed are included in Appendix 2 of the report.

9. Community impact and corporate risks

9.1 The SPD seeks to prevent a deterioration in water quality and thereby the physical environment of Chichester Harbour. As a valued facility for recreation

and enjoyment to resident and visitor alike the impact on the local community is positive.

- 9.2 The implementation of the infrastructure suggested by the SPD will require complex multi-agency negotiation. Chichester District Council will have no financial liability but will need to remain engaged with both partners and local stakeholders to ensure desired outcomes are delivered.

10. Other Implications

Crime and Disorder	None
Climate Change	None
Human Rights and Equality Impact This Supplementary Planning Document expands on the vision and objectives of the adopted Chichester Local Plan: Key Policies 2014-2029. An Equalities Impact Assessment was prepared for the Chichester Local Plan: Key Policies 2014-2029 and this showed that the Local Plan had no adverse impacts.	None
Safeguarding and Early Help	None

11. Appendices

- 11.1 Appendix 1 – Surface Water and Foul Drainage Supplementary Planning Document.
- 11.2 Appendix 2 – Surface Water and Foul Drainage Supplementary Planning Document Representations and Council's response.

12. Background Papers

- 12.1 None