

In terms of their concerns of existing downstream capacity, the baseline hydrology assessment contained in the FRA already demonstrates that the existing greenfield run-off from the site discharges to the open watercourse immediately south of their final manhole at the southern boundary. The development proposals restrict the peak discharge to the greenfield rates as such we are not increasing the peak run-off from the site.

Regarding confirmation of connection to the Southern Water sewer, ICOSA Water have statutory powers to connect to the Southern Water sewer, i.e. Southern Water cannot unreasonably refuse connection. If they are seeking confirmation of the connection application then this is through the bulk discharge agreement application which I believe Malcolm/Darren have now submitted to David Palmer at ICOSA Water,

The question over discharge rates being acceptable is actually down to the LLFA to confirm and accept, which the principles were already agreed as part of their paid pre-app service and included within the FRA. Trying to get the Local Sewer Authority to confirm acceptable surface water discharge rates into their system opens a potentially dangerous precedent which OFWATS new charging arrangement introduced in April 2018 was brought in to avoid.

I will continue to try and make contact with the LLFA directly over the above and will provide an update as soon as we get to speak to someone.

Kind Regards

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