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Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Hartest Pre-submission Draft Neighbourhood Plan. The following comments are submitted on behalf of Anglian Water.

Policy HAR 15 – Design Principles

We note that Policy HAR 15 includes reference to sustainable drainage systems (SUDs) which is supported. However it is suggested that the wording should be strengthened to ensure that SUDs are utilised before considering discharging surface water into the public sewerage network having considered the available alternatives as set out in Part H of Building Regulations.

It is therefore suggested the policy should be amended as follows:

Applicants are strongly, encouraged to incorporate, sustainable urban drainage systems such as green roofs in order to assist with the management of surface water run-off. **Surface water disposal to the public sewerage network should only be considered where it has been demonstrated that there are no reasonable alternatives having followed surface water hierarchy.**

In addition reference is made to sites being self sufficient only in those areas which have previously been subject to surface water flooding.

It would be helpful to clarify to what extent surface water run-off would be restricted in sites outside of the areas identified by the Environment Agency.

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

Regards,
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