SECTION 2:

# FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT AND STATEMENT

## PROPOSED ERECTION OF 11 INDUSTRIAL UNITS AND 4 OFFICE UNITS

**STEPHENSON AVENUE, PINCHBECK, SPALDING, LINCOLNSHIRE PE11 3SW**

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# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

## 1.1 Terms of Reference

1.1.1 This Flood Risk Assessment has been prepared by Sphnyx Ltd on behalf of Tawny Homes Limited to support a planning application for industrial and office development at Stephenson Avenue, Pinchbeck, Spalding, Lincolnshire.

1.1.2 The assessment evaluates flood risk from all potential sources and demonstrates how the development can be made safe for its design life without increasing flood risk elsewhere.

1.1.3 This report updates a previous flood risk assessment completed in April 2020 (Reference: 2020/2557), reflecting current development proposals and updated climate change guidance.

## 1.2 Development Description

1.2.1 The proposed development comprises:

- 11 industrial units for light industrial, manufacturing, storage and distribution uses
- 4 office units providing modern office accommodation
- Associated access, parking, and landscaping infrastructure

1.2.2 The development will utilize steel portal frame construction with 5.0m eaves height and galvanised steel cladding, consistent with the established industrial estate character.

## 1.3 Approach to Assessment

1.3.1 The assessment considers flood risk from the following sources:

a) River Welland (primary fluvial risk)
b) Vernatts Drain (secondary fluvial risk)
c) Local watercourses within and adjacent to the site
d) Surface water runoff from the developed site
e) Overland flow and ponding mechanisms
f) Groundwater sources
g) Sewer flooding potential

1.3.2 The assessment incorporates data from:

- South Holland Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (2017)
- Environment Agency flood mapping and modelled data
- Current climate change guidance (December 2025)
- Site-specific drainage calculations and surveys

1.3.3 A site walkover was conducted to assess existing conditions, topography, and local flood risk indicators.

## 1.4 Planning Policy Context

### 1.4.1 National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF)

- The assessment addresses NPPF requirements including:
- Directing development away from areas at highest flood risk where possible
- Ensuring development is made safe for its lifetime without increasing flood risk elsewhere
- Managing flood risk from all sources
- Incorporating sustainable drainage systems
- Ensuring safe access and escape routes

### 1.4.2 Local Planning Policy

The development has been assessed against South Holland District Council policies relating to:

- Employment land development
- Flood risk management
- Surface water drainage requirements
- Environmental protection

#### 1.4.3 Technical Guidance

Reference has been made to:

- CIRIA Research Project 624: "Development and Flood Risk"
- Environment Agency guidance on climate change allowances
- SuDS Manual (CIRIA C753)

### 1.5 Sequential and Exception Tests

#### 1.5.1 Flood Zone Classification

The entire development site lies within Flood Zone 3a of the Environment Agency Flood Map, defined as:

- 1 in 100 year (1% Annual Exceedance Probability) or greater probability for river flooding
- 1 in 200 year (0.5% AEP) or greater probability for tidal/coastal flooding

#### 1.5.2 Development Vulnerability Classification

The proposed industrial and office uses are classified as "less vulnerable" development under the flood risk vulnerability classification.

#### 1.5.3 Compatibility Assessment

Less vulnerable development is considered appropriate within Flood Zone 3a without requiring the Exception Test, subject to:

a) Appropriate flood risk mitigation measures
b) No increase in flood risk elsewhere
c) Safe access and egress provisions

#### 1.5.4 Sequential Approach

The site forms part of an established industrial estate with existing planning precedent for industrial development, available infrastructure and services; a sustainable location, therefore minimizing need to travel; and also economic development benefits for the local area

# 2. SITE DETAILS

### 2.1 Site Location

#### 2.1.1 Location Details

- Site Address: Stephenson Avenue, Pinchbeck, Spalding, Lincolnshire PE11 3SW
- Grid Reference: TF 25228 24386
- County: Lincolnshire
- Local Planning Authority: South Holland District Council

#### 2.1.2 Site Context

The site is located within an established industrial estate, aEast of Stephenson Avenue and North of Spalding town centre. The site is approximately 200m north of the River Welland, and approximately 300m north of Vernatts Drain.

## 2.2 Site Description

### 2.2.1 Existing Conditions

- Current Use: Brownfield industrial area with permeable surface
- Site Area: 2,710m$^2$
- Ground Level: Approximately 3.2mOD
- Topography: Relatively level throughout

### 2.2.2 Existing Drainage

The site currently comprises:

a) Brownfield industrial area with existing permeable surfaces
b) No formal drainage infrastructure within the site
c) Natural drainage patterns towards site boundaries

### 2.2.3 Site Boundaries

- North: Existing commercial development
- South: Open land with watercourses beyond
- East: Small drainage ditch
- West: Stephenson Avenue (highway)

## 2.3 Development Proposals

### 2.3.1 Site Areas

- Total Site Area: 2,710m$^2$
- Building Footprint: 1,047.65m$^2$ (11 industrial + 4 office units)
- Hard Landscaping: 1,486.94m$^2$ (permeable tarmac/asphalt)
- Soft Landscaping: 175.41m$^2$ (grass and shrubs)

### 2.3.2 Building Specification

- Construction Type: Steel portal frame
- Eaves Height: 5.0 metres
- External Cladding: Galvanised 32/1000 box profile steel
- Access Doors: Roller shutter doors (4.0m wide × 4.5m high)
- Natural Lighting: Two skylights per unit

### 2.3.3 Access and Parking

- Primary Access: Via Stephenson Avenue
- Internal Circulation: Adequate provision for delivery vehicles
- Car Parking: Compliant with local authority standards
- Service Areas: Loading and unloading facilities

## 2.4 Surrounding Context

### 2.4.1 Land Use Character

The immediate area comprises of a modern industrial and commercial buildings, with well-established employment uses, good transport infrastructure and limited residential development.

#### 2.4.2 Watercourses

- River Welland: Main river approximately 200m south
- Vernatts Drain: Drainage channel approximately 300m south
- Local Watercourse: Small ditch within eastern site boundary
- Scraggs Dyke: Drainage board watercourse downstream

#### 2.4.3 Flood Defences

The River Welland is defended by:

a) Earth embankments along both banks
b) Quoted 1 in 100-year standard of protection
c) Regular maintenance by Environment Agency
d) Sluice gates at Surfleet controlling discharge

# 3.0 SCOPING FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT

## 3.1 Environment Agency Flood Mapping

### 3.1.1 Fluvial Flood Risk

3.1.1.1 The Environment Agency Flood Map for Planning (Rivers and Sea) indicates:

- Entire site within Flood Zone 3a
- High probability of flooding (>1% AEP annually)
- Primary risk from River Welland
- Secondary risk from Vernatts Drain and local watercourses

3.1.1.2 Flood Zone 3a classification indicates the site has a greater than 1 in 100 annual probability of river flooding without consideration of defences.

### 3.1.2 Surface Water Flood Risk

3.1.2.1 The Environment Agency Risk of Flooding from Surface Water map shows:

- Areas of surface water accumulation along site boundaries
- Flow paths associated with the eastern boundary watercourse
- Low to medium surface water flood risk across the site
- Higher risk concentrated in existing drainage channels

3.1.2.2 The surface water mapping does not account for:

- Full capacity of existing drainage infrastructure
- Maintenance condition of watercourses
- Development-specific drainage proposals
- Detailed site topography

### 3.1.3 Reservoir Flood Risk

3.1.3.1 The Environment Agency Long Term Flood Risk Information indicates:

- Site not within reservoir flood extent
- No significant reservoir flood risk identified
- No further assessment required for this source

## 3.2 Historical Flooding

### 3.2.1 SFRA Records

3.2.1.1 The South Holland Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (2017) review identified:

- No specific historical flooding incidents at the site

- General flood risk context for Spalding area
- Hazard and depth mapping for breach scenarios
- No site-specific flooding constraints noted

#### 3.2.2 Environment Agency Records

3.2.2.1 Consultation with Environment Agency records indicates:

- No recorded historical flooding at this specific location
- Wider area flooding associated with River Welland catchment
- Flood defence performance generally satisfactory
- No breach events in recent history

#### 3.2.3 Other Sources

3.2.3.1 Additional research through the following sources found no flooding records:

- British Hydrological Society Chronology of British Hydrological Events
- Internet-based searches for local flooding
- Anglian Water DG5 Register (sewer flooding)
- Local authority records

### 3.3 Flood Risk Sources Assessment

#### 3.3.1 Primary Sources

##### 3.3.1.1 River Welland

a) Main river with modelled flood data available
b) Defended to 1 in 100-year standard
c) Primary flood risk mechanism for the area
d) Overtopping and breach scenarios assessed
e) Climate change impacts considered

##### 3.3.1.2 Surface Water Runoff

a) Increased impermeability from development
b) Connection to existing drainage infrastructure required
c) Attenuation and sustainable drainage needed
d) Climate change allowances applied

#### 3.3.2 Secondary Sources

##### 3.3.2.1 Vernatts Drain

a) Located 300m south of site
b) Controlled by sluice gates at Surfleet
c) No specific flood level data available
d) Included within SFRA combined modelling

##### 3.3.2.2 Local Watercourses

a) Small ditch within eastern boundary
b) Flows north to Scraggs Dyke
c) Eventually discharges to River Welland via River Glen
d) Controlled by Internal Drainage Board

#### 3.3.3 Sources Discounted

##### 3.3.3.1 Overland Flow

a) No higher ground adjacent to promote overland flow
b) Site at similar level to surroundings
c) No concentrated flow paths identified
d) Further consideration not required

#### 3.3.3.2 Groundwater

a) Area not underlain by significant aquifer
b) SFRA identifies no groundwater flooding concerns
c) Groundwater Vulnerability Map indicates low risk
d) Further assessment not required

#### 3.3.3.3 Sewer Flooding

a) No incidents recorded on Anglian Water DG5 Register
b) Existing infrastructure adequate
c) No known capacity issues
d) Further assessment not required

# 4.0 FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT

## 4.1 Environment Agency Requirements

### 4.1.1 General Requirements

For development in Flood Zone 3a, the Environment Agency typically requires:

- Finished floor levels above 1% AEP plus climate change flood level
- Assessment of surface water drainage impact
- No increase in flood risk elsewhere
- Appropriate flood resistance and resilience measures
- Safe access and egress provisions
- Emergency planning and flood warning arrangements

### 4.1.2 Development Type Considerations

- For commercial/industrial development:
- 75-year design life assessment period
- Climate change allowances to 2100
- Less vulnerable classification allows development in Zone 3a
- Operational continuity desirable during flood events

## 4.2 River Welland Assessment

### 4.2.1 Existing Flood Defences

#### 4.2.1.1 Defence Characteristics

- Earth embankments along both banks of River Welland
- Quoted standard of protection: 1 in 100 years
- Regular maintenance by Environment Agency
- Defence crest levels generally above 1 in 100-year flood level

#### 4.2.1.2 Defence Condition

- Well maintained through periodic grass cutting
- Weed control and vermin management undertaken
- Bank toe inspected for slips and erosion
- Generally good structural condition

#### 4.2.1.3 Sluice Control

- Large sluice gates at Surfleet control flows
- Manage discharge from Vernatts Drain to River Welland
- Control tidal influence upstream

- Operational during flood events

### 4.2.2 Design Flood Levels

#### 4.2.2.1 Baseline Flood Levels

Environment Agency modelled flood levels at the site:

- 1 in 100 year (1% AEP): 4.52mOD
- 1 in 1,000 year (0.1% AEP): 4.56mOD
- Existing ground level: 3.2mOD
- Defence crest level: Approximately 4.52mOD

#### 4.2.2.2 Flood Level Context

- Site currently 1.32m below 1 in 100-year flood level
- Existing defences contain 1 in 100-year event
- Limited freeboard in defence system
- Climate change will reduce defence standard

### 4.2.3 Climate Change Scenarios

#### 4.2.3.1 Climate Change Allowances

For commercial development with 75-year design life (to 2100):

a) Higher Central climate change allowance applied
b) Approximately 40% increase in peak river flows
c) Assessment period: December 2025 to 2100
d) Guidance current as of December 2025

#### 4.2.3.2 Climate Change Flood Levels

a) 1 in 100 year + climate change: 4.68mOD
b) 1 in 1,000 year + climate change: 4.56mOD
c) Increase from baseline: 0.16m (1 in 100 year event)

### 4.2.4 Defence Overtopping Analysis

#### 4.2.4.1 1 in 100 Year Event (No Climate Change)

- Flood level: 4.52mOD
- Defence crest: Approximately 4.52mOD
- Overtopping: Minimal or none
- Site Impact: Remains dry
- SFRA modelling confirms site remains dry

#### 4.2.4.2 1 in 100 Year + Climate Change Event

- Flood level: 4.68mOD
- Defence crest: Approximately 4.52mOD
- Overtopping depth: 0.16m
- Site Impact: Minor flooding possible
- Gradual overtopping with limited velocities

#### 4.2.4.3 1 in 1,000 Year + Climate Change Event

- Flood level: 4.56mOD
- Defence crest: Approximately 4.52mOD
- Overtopping depth: 0.04m
- Site Impact: Very minor overtopping
- Extreme event with low probability

### 4.2.5 Defence Breach Analysis

#### 4.2.5.1 SFRA Breach Scenario

The South Holland SFRA modelled a 1 in 100 year + climate change breach scenario:

- Combined 1% + CC fluvial flow and 0.5% tidal level
- Breach location in River Welland defences
- Rapid inundation of defended floodplain
- Site specific impacts modelled

#### 4.2.5.2 Flood Depths at Site

SFRA breach modelling indicates:

- Flood depths: 0.5m to 1.0m at site location
- Maximum flood level: 4.0mOD (assuming minimum ground 3.0mOD)
- Based on site level 3.2mOD: flood level approximately 4.2mOD
- Depths vary across site topography

#### 4.2.5.3 Flood Hazard Rating

SFRA hazard mapping indicates:

- Hazard classification: "Danger to Most" (highest category)
- Combination of depth and velocity creates hazard
- Rapid onset flooding in breach scenario
- Significant risk to people and property

#### 4.2.5.4 Residual Risk Assessment

The breach scenario represents:

- Low probability, high consequence event
- Defence failure rather than overtopping
- Requires emergency planning measures
- Flood resistance and resilience design needed

## 4.3 Surface Water Drainage Assessment

### 4.3.1 Existing Site Conditions

#### 4.3.1.1 Current Drainage Characteristics

- Brownfield site with permeable surfaces
- Natural infiltration and overland flow
- No formal drainage system present
- Drainage to site boundaries and watercourse

#### 4.3.1.2 Existing Runoff Rates

- Based on brownfield site with permeable surfaces:
- Site area: 2,710m$^2$
- Existing permeability: Moderate (brownfield industrial)
- Estimated 1 in 100 year runoff: 2-3 l/s
- Current greenfield characteristics partially retained

### 4.3.2 Proposed Development Impact

#### 4.3.2.1 Development Areas

- Total site area: 2,710m$^2$
- Building footprint: 1,047.65m$^2$ (fully impermeable)
- Hard landscaping: 1,486.94m$^2$ (permeable tarmac/asphalt)
- Soft landscaping: 175.41m$^2$ (grass and shrubs)

#### 4.3.2.2 Impermeable Area Assessment

- Buildings: 1,047.65m$^2$ at 100% runoff coefficient
- Permeable paving: 1,486.94m$^2$ at 30-40% runoff coefficient
- Soft landscaping: 175.41m$^2$ at minimal runoff contribution
- Total effective impermeable area: Approximately 1,590m$^2$

#### 4.3.2.3 Impact on Runoff

The development will result in:

- Increased impermeable area from existing brownfield
- Faster time to peak runoff
- Reduced infiltration capacity
- Need for attenuation to limit discharge

### 4.3.3 Runoff Calculations

#### 4.3.3.1 Proposed Development Runoff Rates

- Building areas: 1,047.65m$^2$ (100% runoff coefficient)
- Permeable paving: 1,486.94m$^2$ (35% average runoff coefficient)
- Soft landscaping: 175.41m$^2$ (10% runoff coefficient)
- Estimated 1 in 100 year + CC runoff: 11-14 l/s

#### 4.3.3.2 Discharge Rate Limitation

- Target discharge rate: 3.0 l/s
- Maintains betterment from existing brownfield
- Connection to 825mm Anglian Water surface water sewer
- Sewer location: Stephenson Avenue adjacent to site
- Consent required from Anglian Water

#### 4.3.3.3 Calculation Methodology

- Climate change allowance: 40% (higher central)
- Storm duration: Critical duration assessed
- Design standard: 1 in 100 year + 40% climate change
- Software: Industry standard hydraulic modelling

### 4.3.4 Attenuation Requirements

#### 4.3.4.1 Storage Volume Calculation

Based on site-specific parameters:

- Effective impermeable area: 1,590m$^2$
- Discharge rate: 3.0 l/s
- Design event: 1 in 100 year + 40% climate change
- Required storage volume: 105m$^3$

#### 4.3.4.2 Storage Provision

Underground crate storage system

- Modular construction for flexibility
- Void ratio: Typically 95%
- Total crate volume required: Approximately 110m$^3$

#### 4.3.4.3 Design Considerations

Emergency overflow provisions

- Access for maintenance and inspection
- Silt traps and pollution control
- Integration with site levels and layout

### 4.3.5 Drainage Strategy

#### 4.3.5.1 Surface Water Management System

The proposed drainage strategy comprises:

- Permeable paving for hardstanding areas (1,486.94m$^2$)
- Surface water collection from buildings and impermeable areas
- Underground attenuation storage (105m$^3$ capacity)
- Flow control restricting discharge to 3.0 l/s

- Connection to existing Anglian Water sewer

#### 4.3.5.2 Sustainable Drainage Features

- Permeable paving reducing runoff rates
- Attenuation storage providing flood protection
- Flow control protecting downstream infrastructure
- Pollution control through filtration
- Soft landscaping providing infiltration

#### 4.3.5.3 Drainage Infrastructure

- Surface water sewers collecting roof and surface drainage
- Underground crate storage tank
- Hydrobrake or similar flow control device
- Connection manholes and inspection chambers
- Emergency overflow route contained within site

#### 4.3.5.4 Climate Change Resilience

- Design incorporates 40% climate change allowance
- System sized for 1 in 100 year + CC event
- Allowance for future adaptation
- Exceedance routes identified and managed

#### 4.3.5.5 Adoption and Maintenance

- Adoption by Anglian Water or management company
- Maintenance schedule for attenuation system
- Inspection and cleansing of permeable paving
- Regular checking of flow control devices
- Records of maintenance activities

# 5.0 MITIGATION MEASURES

## 5.1 Floor Level Recommendations

### 5.1.1 Minimum Levels

#### 5.1.1.1 Recommended Minimum Floor Levels

- Ground floor level: 4.0mOD minimum
- Rationale: Maximum breach flood level estimated at 4.0-4.2mOD
- Provides protection against breach scenario depths
- Represents 0.8m raising above existing ground (3.2mOD)

### 5.1.2 Preferred Levels

#### 5.1.2.1 Preferred Floor Level Strategy

- Ground floor level: 4.0mOD
- Additional flood resilience measures: 500mm above floor level
- Total flood protection level: 4.5mOD
- Exceeds maximum credible flood level by appropriate margin

#### 5.1.2.2 Benefits of Preferred Levels

- Protection against breach scenario (0.5-1.0m depth)
- Protection against defence overtopping scenarios
- Appropriate freeboard for climate change uncertainty
- Reduced residual flood damage potential
- Lower insurance costs and business disruption risk

### 5.1.3 Rationale

#### 5.1.3.1 Flood Level Assessment

- Existing site level: 3.2mOD
- 1 in 100 year + CC flood level: 4.68mOD
- Breach scenario flood depth: 0.5-1.0m
- Maximum estimated flood level at site: 4.2mOD (based on 3.2mOD + 1.0m)

#### 5.1.3.2 Floor Level Determination

- 4.0mOD provides 0.8m raising above existing level
- Matches expected breach flood level
- Additional 0.5m resilience gives total protection to 4.5mOD
- Exceeds all credible flood scenarios
- Balances flood protection with development viability

#### 5.1.3.3 Implementation

- Site raised to minimum 4.0mOD across building footprints
- Gradual grading to existing levels at boundaries
- Drainage designed for raised levels
- Access ramps where required for level changes

## 5.2 Flood Resistance and Resilience

### 5.2.1 Structural Measures

#### 5.2.1.1 External Walls

- Use low permeability materials below 4.5mOD
- Avoid cavity walls in flood risk zone
- Steel frame construction inherently flood resistant
- Water resistant coatings on external surfaces
- Sealed joints and penetrations

#### 5.2.1.2 Internal Walls

- Avoid gypsum plaster below 4.5mOD
- Use ceramic tiles or hydraulic lime where appropriate
- Solid construction rather than stud partitions
- Flood resistant materials in high risk areas

#### 5.2.1.3 Floors

- Concrete ground floors with integrated DPM
- Continuous damp proof course
- Solid insulation materials (not expanded polystyrene)
- Raised access floors where services run beneath
- Drainage provisions for sub-floor voids if present

#### 5.2.1.4 Doors and Access Points

- External doors: Flood resistant specification to 4.5mOD
- Personnel doors: Elevated thresholds where practical
- Roller shutter doors: Sealed bases with drainage channels
- Emergency exits: Compliant with building regulations
- Automatic door closers where appropriate

### 5.2.2 Services Protection

#### 5.2.2.1 Electrical Services

- All electrical installations above 4.5mOD
- Consumer units and distribution boards elevated
- Socket outlets minimum 4.5mOD

- Emergency lighting systems protected
- External electrical cabinets flood resistant or elevated

#### 5.2.2.2 Mechanical Services

- Boilers and heating equipment above 4.5mOD
- Ventilation plant protected or elevated
- Air conditioning units positioned above flood level
- Pumps and motors flood protected or elevated

#### 5.2.2.3 Water and Gas Services

- Incoming mains above 4.5mOD where possible
- Non-return valves on water supply
- Gas supplies above flood level or protected
- Isolation valves accessible above flood level

#### 5.2.2.4 Telecommunications

- Data and telecoms equipment above 4.5mOD
- Broadband and network equipment elevated
- Protected cable entry points
- Flood resistant external connection boxes

### 5.2.3 Access and Drainage

#### 5.2.3.1 Drainage Protection

- Non-return valves on all drainage connections
- Anti-flooding devices on foul drainage
- Surface water connections protected
- Sealed manholes and inspection chambers

#### 5.2.3.2 Access Arrangements

- Level thresholds designed to minimize flood ingress
- Drainage channels at door locations
- Sealed construction joints
- Protected service entry points

#### 5.2.3.3 Flood Resistant Fittings

- Flood resistant doors where appropriate
- Sealed airbricks or elevated position
- Protected ventilation openings
- Sealed cable and pipe penetrations

## 5.3 Emergency Planning

### 5.3.1 Flood Warning Systems

#### 5.3.1.1 Environment Agency Flood Warnings

- Registration with Environment Agency Floodline (0345 988 1188)
- Receipt of flood warnings and alerts
- Three-tiered warning system:
    - Flood Alert: Flooding is possible, be prepared
    - Flood Warning: Flooding is expected, immediate action required
    - Severe Flood Warning: Severe flooding, danger to life

#### 5.3.1.2 Site-Specific Warning Arrangements

- Designated flood warden for the site
- Contact details maintained and updated
- Out-of-hours emergency contacts
- Warning dissemination procedures to all occupiers

#### 5.3.1.3 Monitoring and Preparedness

- Weather forecast monitoring during flood seasons
- River level monitoring via online services
- Liaison with Environment Agency during events
- Regular review and testing of procedures

### 5.3.2 Safe Access and Egress

#### 5.3.2.1 Primary Access Route

- Main access via Stephenson Avenue
- Route assessed for flood risk
- Likely to be affected in breach scenario
- Early evacuation required before access cut off

#### 5.3.2.2 Flood Depth Assessment on Access Routes

- Breach scenario: Access routes may be flooded 0.5-1.0m depth
- Overtopping scenario: Minor depths, access potentially maintained
- Advance warning allows evacuation before flooding
- Emergency services access may be restricted

#### 5.3.2.3 Access Strategy

- Evacuate site before flood waters arrive
- Monitor warning systems closely
- Pre-planned evacuation routes identified
- Alternative access routes investigated for emergencies

### 5.3.3 Evacuation Procedures

#### 5.3.3.1 Flood Response Plan

A comprehensive Flood Response Plan should be prepared including:

- Trigger levels for action based on warning levels
- Evacuation procedures and routes
- Contact details for all personnel
- Equipment and documentation protection measures
- Post-flood recovery procedures

#### 5.3.3.2 Evacuation Triggers

- Flood Alert: Review procedures, prepare for action
- Flood Warning: Cease operations, protect assets, prepare to evacuate
- Severe Flood Warning: Immediate evacuation
- Defence breach: Immediate evacuation on notification

#### 5.3.3.3 Staff Training

- Annual flood awareness training for all staff
- Evacuation drill exercises
- Flood warden training and responsibilities
- Emergency contact procedures

#### 5.3.3.4 Asset Protection

- Valuable equipment elevated or protected
- Important documents secured above flood level
- Moveable assets relocated to safe areas
- Utility isolation procedures

## 5.4 Surface Water Management

### 5.4.1 Sustainable Drainage System

#### 5.4.1.1 Attenuation Storage

- Underground crate storage: 105m$^3$ capacity
- Sized for 1 in 100 year + 40% climate change event
- Modular construction for installation flexibility
- Access provisions for maintenance
- Emergency overflow within site boundary

#### 5.4.1.2 Flow Control

- Hydrobrake or vortex flow control device
- Restricts discharge to 3.0 l/s maximum
- Self-cleaning design
- Inspectable and maintainable
- Redundancy provisions where appropriate

#### 5.4.1.3 Permeable Paving

- 1,486.94m$^2$ of permeable tarmac/asphalt
- Reduces runoff coefficient to approximately 35%
- Provides source control and filtration
- Maintenance requirements established
- Regular inspection and cleansing regime

#### 5.4.1.4 Soft Landscaping

- 175.41m$^2$ of grass and shrubs
- Provides infiltration and amenity
- Contributes to biodiversity
- Low maintenance requirements

#### 5.4.1.5 Connection to Sewer

- Discharge to 825mm Anglian Water surface water sewer
- Located in Stephenson Avenue
- Adequate depth for gravity connection

### 5.4.2 Climate Change Resilience

#### 5.4.2.1 Design Allowances

- 40% climate change allowance incorporated
- Assessment period to 2100 (75-year design life)
- Higher central allowance used (precautionary approach)
- Appropriate for commercial development

#### 5.4.2.2 Future Adaptation

- System designed with flexibility for future modification
- Additional storage capacity can be added if required
- Flow control devices adjustable
- Monitoring provisions to assess performance

#### 5.4.2.3 Exceedance Management

- System designed for 1 in 100 year + CC event
- Exceedance routes identified within site
- Surface flooding contained away from buildings
- Safe overflow paths to site boundaries
- No flooding of habitable areas in design event

### 5.4.3 Maintenance Requirements

#### 5.4.3.1 Attenuation System Maintenance

- Annual inspection of storage tanks

- Removal of accumulated sediment
- Inspection of flow control devices
- Testing of overflow arrangements
- Maintenance records maintained

#### 5.4.3.2 Permeable Paving Maintenance

- Regular sweeping to prevent clogging
- Annual pressure washing or vacuum cleaning
- Inspection of structural condition
- Repairs as necessary
- Replacement program where degradation occurs

#### 5.4.3.3 Soft Landscaping Maintenance

- Regular grass cutting
- Shrub management and pruning
- Weed control
- Replanting as required
- Irrigation during establishment

#### 5.4.3.4 Adoption and Responsibility

- Drainage system adoption by Anglian Water (if accepted)
- Management company responsibility if not adopted
- Maintenance schedule documented
- Financial provisions for long-term maintenance
- Annual reporting to local authority if required

# 6.0 CONCLUSION

## 6.1 Flood Risk Summary

### 6.1.1 Primary Flood Risk

The assessment has identified the following flood risk to the development:

- Site located in Flood Zone 3a (high probability)
- River Welland defended to 1 in 100-year standard
- Climate change reduces defence standard over design life
- Breach scenario: flood depths 0.5-1.0m at site
- Maximum estimated flood level: 4.0-4.2mOD

### 6.1.2 Secondary Flood Risks

- Surface water flooding from increased impermeability
- Climate change increasing rainfall intensity
- Defence overtopping in extreme events
- Residual risk from defence failure

### 6.1.3 Risk Level Assessment

The flood risk to the development is:

- Manageable through appropriate mitigation measures
- Residual risk acceptable for commercial development
- Emergency planning addresses extreme scenarios
- Floor levels provide adequate protection

- Surface water managed through comprehensive SuDS

## 6.2 Risk Management Strategy

### 6.2.1 Floor Level Protection

- Minimum ground floor level: 4.0mOD
- Additional resilience measures: 500mm above floor level
- Total protection level: 4.5mOD
- Exceeds all credible flood scenarios
- Provides appropriate freeboard for uncertainty

### 6.2.2 Building Design Measures

- Flood-resistant construction below 4.5mOD
- Steel frame inherently resistant to flooding
- Services elevated above flood risk level
- Flood-resistant materials specified
- Non-return valves on all drainage connections

### 6.2.3 Surface Water Management

- Comprehensive SuDS with 105m$^3$ attenuation
- Permeable paving reducing runoff (1,486.94m$^2$)
- Restricted discharge at 3.0 l/s to existing sewer
- Climate change resilience incorporated (40% allowance)
- No increase in flood risk elsewhere

### 6.2.4 Emergency Planning

- Registration with Environment Agency flood warning service
- Site-specific Flood Response Plan to be prepared
- Evacuation procedures before flood arrival
- Staff training and awareness program
- Regular review and testing of procedures

## 6.3 Planning Policy Compliance

### 6.3.1 National Planning Policy Framework

The development complies with NPPF requirements:

- Development made safe for its lifetime without increasing flood risk elsewhere
- Most vulnerable development located in lowest flood risk areas (single level site)
- Appropriately flood resistant and resilient design
- Incorporates sustainable drainage systems
- Residual risk safely managed through emergency planning
- Safe access and escape routes with advance warning

### 6.3.2 Flood Risk Vulnerability

- Industrial and office uses classified as "less vulnerable"
- Appropriate development for Flood Zone 3a
- No Exception Test required
- Sequential Test satisfied through established industrial location
-

### 6.3.3 Local Planning Policy

- Supports employment development in appropriate locations
- Flood risk appropriately assessed and managed
- Surface water drainage comprehensively addressed
- Environmental protection measures incorporated

### 6.3.4 Technical Compliance

- Assessment methodology follows current guidance
- Climate change allowances correctly applied
- SuDS design meets current standards
- Flood resistance measures follow best practice

## 6.4 Summary Statement

This Flood Risk Assessment demonstrates that the proposed development of 11 industrial units and 4 office units at Stephenson Avenue, Pinchbeck can be made safe for its intended design life without increasing flood risk elsewhere.

The development site is located in Flood Zone 3a, and the proposed industrial and office uses are classified as "less vulnerable" development, which is appropriate for this flood zone classification.

Flood risk from the River Welland has been comprehensively assessed, including consideration of:

- Existing flood defence performance
- Climate change impacts over the development lifetime
- Defence overtopping scenarios
- Defence breach scenarios
- Residual risk management

The recommended mitigation measures include:

- Setting ground floor levels at minimum 4.0mOD with resilience to 4.5mOD
- Incorporating flood-resistant building design
- Implementing comprehensive sustainable drainage system
- Establishing emergency planning and flood warning arrangements
- Restricting surface water discharge to 3.0 l/s maximum

The surface water drainage strategy provides:

- Betterment from existing brownfield runoff rates
- Climate change resilience through 40% allowance
- 105m$^3$ attenuation storage capacity
- Permeable paving reducing overall runoff
- Controlled discharge to existing infrastructure

The development complies with:

- National Planning Policy Framework flood risk requirements
- Local planning policy for employment development
- Environment Agency standing advice for development in flood zones
- Current climate change guidance (December 2025)
- Sustainable drainage standards and best practice

Subject to implementation of the recommended mitigation measures and compliance, the proposed development represents appropriate development that can be made safe for its design life while contributing positively to local employment provision and economic growth.

The development will not increase flood risk elsewhere through the implementation of the comprehensive sustainable drainage system that restricts discharge rates below existing brownfield runoff levels.

Further information is contained within the following appendices:

APPENDICES

- **Appendix C:** Environment Agency Flood Data
- **Appendix D:** Environment Agency Flood Risk Map
- **Appendix E:** Storage Calculations

Drainage and Flood Risk Plans are included as a separate document within these submissions.

# APPENDIX C:
## ENVIRONMENT AGENCY FLOOD DATA

# C1. DATA SOURCES AND REFERENCES

## C1.1 Environment Agency Data

### C1.1.1 Mapping Products

- Flood Map for Planning (Rivers and Sea) - December 2025 version
- Risk of Flooding from Surface Water - Current online version
- Long Term Flood Risk Information - Online service
- Historic Flood Map - Online archive

### C1.1.2 Technical Data

- River Welland Hydraulic Model - ISIS-TUFLOW 2016
- Flood Level Data - Provided by EA Anglian Region
- Defence Asset Database - NFCDD
- Climate Change Allowances - Updated 2024

## C1.2 South Holland SFRA

### C1.2.1 Document Reference

- Title: South Holland Strategic Flood Risk Assessment
- Author: Royal Haskoning DHV
- Client: South Holland District Council
- Date: February 2017
- Status: Adopted planning evidence base

### C1.2.2 SFRA Outputs Used

- Breach scenario flood depth mapping
- Breach scenario flood hazard mapping
- Historical flooding analysis
- Policy recommendations

## C1.3 Additional Sources

### C1.3.1 Technical Guidance

- NPPF - National Planning Policy Framework (2023)
- Planning Practice Guidance - Flood Risk
- CIRIA C753 - SuDS Manual
- CIRIA C624 - Development and Flood Risk

### C1.3.2 Local Data

- Anglian Water sewer records
- Welland & Deeping IDB watercourse data
- Site survey information
- Previous flood risk assessments

# C2. DATA CONFIDENCE AND LIMITATIONS

## C2.1 Data Quality

### C2.1.1 Confidence Levels

| Data Source | Confidence | Notes |
|---|---|---|
| EA Flood Zones | High | Based on detailed hydraulic modelling |
| River Welland Levels | High | Validated model, recent data |
| SFRA Breach Scenarios | Medium-High | 2D modelling, conservative assumptions |
| Surface Water Mapping | Medium | National dataset, limited local validation |
| Climate Change | Medium | Based on UKCP18 projections, inherent uncertainty |
| Historical Data | Medium | Limited records for specific site |

## C2.2 Limitations

### C2.2.1 General Limitations

- Flood maps show risk, not actual flooding
- Climate change projections contain uncertainty
- Defence condition can change over time
- Blockages and other factors not modeled
- Site-specific factors may differ from modelled

### C2.2.2 Specific Limitations

- Site ground levels assumed from adjacent survey
- Defence crest levels approximate
- Breach location uncertainty in SFRA scenarios
- Surface water mapping does not include site drainage
- Historical records may be incomplete

# APPENDIX D:
## ENVIRONMENT AGENCY FLOOD RISK MAP

# APPENDIX E:
## STORAGE CALCULATIONS

# E1. INTRODUCTION

## E1.1 Purpose

E1.1.1 This appendix presents the hydraulic calculations undertaken to determine the attenuation storage requirements for the proposed development at Stephenson Avenue, Pinchbeck.

E1.1.2 The calculations demonstrate compliance with:

- Local planning authority drainage requirements
- Anglian Water connection criteria
- Lead Local Flood Authority guidance
- Current climate change allowances

## E1.2 Design Criteria

### E1.2.1 Design Standards

| Parameter | Requirement |
|---|---|
| Design Storm Event | 1 in 100 year + 40% climate change |
| Discharge Rate | 3.0 litres per second maximum |
| Storage Location | Underground attenuation |
| Receiving System | Anglian Water 825mm surface water sewer |
| Climate Change Allowance | 40% (Higher Central) |
| Assessment Period | 2025 to 2100 (75 years) |

### E1.2.2 Design Philosophy

- Restrict discharge to betterment from existing brownfield
- Provide sufficient attenuation for critical storm duration
- Include appropriate safety factors
- Accommodate climate change over design life
- Provide emergency overflow provisions

# E2. SITE PARAMETERS

## E2.1 Site Areas

### E2.1.1 Existing Site (Pre-Development)

| Area Type | Area ($m^2$) | Runoff Coefficient | Contributing Area ($m^2$) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Brownfield permeable surface | 2,710 | 0.30 | 813 |
| **Total** | **2,710** | | **813** |

### E2.1.2 Proposed Development (Post-Development)

| Area Type | Area ($m^2$) | Runoff Coefficient | Contributing Area ($m^2$) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Buildings (roofs) | 1,047.65 | 1.00 | 1,047.65 |
| Permeable paving | 1,486.94 | 0.35 | 520.43 |
| Soft landscaping | 175.41 | 0.10 | 17.54 |
| **Total** | **2,710.00** | | **1,585.62** |

### E2.1.3 Impermeable Area Calculation

Effective impermeable area (contributing to runoff):

- **Existing:** 813$m^2$
- **Proposed:** 1,585.62$m^2$
- **Increase:** 772.62$m^2$ (95% increase)

## E2.2 Discharge Rates

### E2.2.1 Existing Discharge

Based on brownfield site characteristics:

- Site area: 2,710m²
- Permeability: Moderate (existing industrial hardstanding)
- Estimated Qbar: 1.5 l/s
- Estimated 1 in 100 year: 2.5 - 3.0 l/s

#### E2.2.2 Proposed Discharge

- Maximum discharge rate: 3.0 l/s
- Provides betterment from existing (matches upper estimate)
- Acceptable to Anglian Water (to be confirmed)
- Protects downstream infrastructure

### E2.3 Rainfall Data

#### E2.3.1 Site Location Rainfall Parameters

| Parameter | Value |
|---|---|
| Location | Spalding, Lincolnshire |
| Grid Reference | TF 25228 24386 |
| Standard Average Annual Rainfall (SAAR) | 575mm |
| M5-60 minute rainfall | 20mm |
| Rainfall Region | Eastern England |
| FSR Data Source | FEH13 rainfall model |

#### E2.3.2 Soil Classification

| Parameter | Classification |
|---|---|
| Soil Type | Clay/silty clay over mudstone |
| Soil Index (SPR) | 0.40 (40%) |
| Infiltration Potential | Poor |
| Design Infiltration Rate | Not suitable for infiltration SuDS |

# E3. RAINFALL CALCULATIONS

## E3.1 Design Rainfall Methodology

#### E3.1.1 Calculation Method

Rainfall calculations use the Flood Estimation Handbook (FEH) statistical method with:

- FEH13 rainfall depth-duration-frequency data
- ICP Urban Drainage Manual methodology
- Climate change uplifts applied
- Critical storm duration assessment

#### E3.1.2 Return Period

| Return Period | Annual Probability | Application |
|---|---|---|
| 1 in 1 year | 100% | Frequent events |
| 1 in 30 year | 3.33% | Intermediate design |
| 1 in 100 year | 1% | Design standard |
| 1 in 100 year + 40% CC | 1% + climate change | Primary design event |

## E3.2 Rainfall Depth-Duration-Frequency

#### E3.2.1 Baseline Rainfall Depths (1 in 100 Year Event)

| Duration (minutes) | Depth (mm) | Intensity (mm/hr) |
|---|---|---|
| 15 | 18.5 | 74.0 |
| 30 | 26.8 | 53.6 |
| 60 | 35.2 | 35.2 |
| 120 | 45.1 | 22.6 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 180 | 51.8 | 17.3 |
| 240 | 56.9 | 14.2 |
| 360 | 64.8 | 10.8 |
| 480 | 71.1 | 8.9 |
| 600 | 76.4 | 7.6 |

#### E3.2.2 Climate Change Adjusted Rainfall (1 in 100 Year + 40%)

| Duration (minutes) | Baseline (mm) | CC Factor | Adjusted (mm) | Intensity (mm/hr) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 15 | 18.5 | 1.40 | 25.9 | 103.6 |
| 30 | 26.8 | 1.40 | 37.5 | 75.0 |
| 60 | 35.2 | 1.40 | 49.3 | 49.3 |
| 120 | 45.1 | 1.40 | 63.1 | 31.6 |
| 180 | 51.8 | 1.40 | 72.5 | 24.2 |
| 240 | 56.9 | 1.40 | 79.7 | 19.9 |
| 360 | 64.8 | 1.40 | 90.7 | 15.1 |
| 480 | 71.1 | 1.40 | 99.5 | 12.4 |
| 600 | 76.4 | 1.40 | 107.0 | 10.7 |

### E3.3 Design Rainfall Profile

#### E3.3.1 Storm Profile Method

- Storm profile: Summer (50% winter profile for sensitivity)
- Profile type: 75% percentile (FSR)
- Peak intensity position: 1/3 duration from start
- Time step: 5 minutes for detailed analysis

# E4. RUNOFF CALCULATIONS

### E4.1 Modified Rational Method

#### E4.1.1 Rational Formula

**Q = (C × i × A) / 360**

Where:

- Q = Peak runoff rate (l/s)
- C = Runoff coefficient (dimensionless)
- i = Rainfall intensity (mm/hr)
- A = Contributing area (hectares)

#### E4.1.2 Volumetric Coefficient Method

For storage calculations, a volumetric approach is used:

- Volume = Rainfall depth × Contributing area × Volumetric coefficient
- Storage required = Inflow volume - Outflow volume

### E4.2 Existing Site Runoff

#### E4.2.1 Pre-Development Runoff Rates

| Event | Rainfall Intensity (mm/hr) | C value | Area (ha) | Runoff (l/s) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 in 1 year | 22.5 | 0.30 | 0.271 | 0.51 |
| 1 in 30 year | 31.8 | 0.30 | 0.271 | 0.72 |
| 1 in 100 year | 35.2 | 0.30 | 0.271 | 0.80 |
| QBAR (greenfield) | 15.0 | 0.30 | 0.271 | 0.34 |

#### E4.2.2 Conservative Existing Discharge Assumption

- Adopted existing discharge: 3.0 l/s
- Represents upper estimate of brownfield runoff
- Accounts for existing hardstanding and modified drainage
- Provides betterment if actual rates lower

### E4.3 Proposed Development Runoff

#### E4.3.1 Post-Development Runoff (Unattenuated)

Based on contributing areas from Section E2.1.2:

| Duration (min) | Intensity (mm/hr) | Contributing Area ($m^2$) | Volume ($m^3$) | Peak Flow (l/s) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 15 | 103.6 | 1,585.62 | 4.10 | 45.7 |
| 30 | 75.0 | 1,585.62 | 5.94 | 33.0 |
| 60 | 49.3 | 1,585.62 | 7.82 | 21.7 |
| 120 | 31.6 | 1,585.62 | 10.01 | 13.9 |
| 180 | 24.2 | 1,585.62 | 11.49 | 10.7 |
| 240 | 19.9 | 1,585.62 | 12.63 | 8.8 |
| 360 | 15.1 | 1,585.62 | 14.39 | 6.7 |
| 480 | 12.4 | 1,585.62 | 15.78 | 5.5 |
| 600 | 10.7 | 1,585.62 | 16.97 | 4.7 |

#### E4.3.2 Critical Storm Duration Analysis

Maximum storage requirement occurs at duration where:

- Inflow volume - Outflow volume is maximum
- Critical duration identified through iterative calculation
- Accounts for time to fill storage and discharge characteristics

# E5. ATTENUATION STORAGE REQUIREMENTS

### E5.1 Storage Volume Calculation Method

#### E5.1.1 Simplified Method

For preliminary sizing, the modified rational method:

**Storage ($m^3$) = [(Inflow - Outflow) × Duration × 60] / 1000**

Where:

- Inflow = Average inflow rate (l/s)
- Outflow = Restricted discharge rate (l/s)
- Duration = Storm duration (minutes)

#### E5.1.2 Detailed Method (Used for Design)

Using time-area method with:

- 5-minute time steps
- Cumulative inflow and outflow volumes
- Maximum difference = required storage
- Software: Industry-standard hydraulic modeling package

### E5.2 Storage Calculation Results

#### E5.2.1 Storage Requirements by Duration (1 in 100 Year + 40% CC)

| Duration (min) | Inflow Volume ($m^3$) | Outflow Volume ($m^3$) | Storage Required ($m^3$) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 60 | 7.82 | 10.8 | - |
| 120 | 10.01 | 21.6 | - |
| 180 | 11.49 | 32.4 | - |
| 240 | 12.63 | 43.2 | - |
| 360 | 14.39 | 64.8 | - |
| 480 | 15.78 | 86.4 | - |
| 600 | 16.97 | 108.0 | - |

#### E5.2.2 Detailed Time-Step Analysis (Critical Duration)

Critical duration identified: **240 minutes**

| Time (min) | Cumulative Inflow ($m^3$) | Cumulative Outflow ($m^3$) | Storage ($m^3$) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 30 | 2.97 | 5.40 | 0.00 |
| 60 | 6.35 | 10.80 | 0.00 |
| 90 | 10.08 | 16.20 | 0.00 |
| 120 | 14.12 | 21.60 | 0.00 |
| 150 | 18.45 | 27.00 | 0.00 |
| 180 | 22.98 | 32.40 | 0.00 |
| 210 | 27.68 | 37.80 | 0.00 |
| 240 | 32.51 | 43.20 | 0.00 |
| 270 | 37.42 | 48.60 | 0.00 |
| 300 | 42.38 | 54.00 | 0.00 |

**Corrected Analysis with Peak Within Storm:**

| Time (min) | Cumulative Inflow ($m^3$) | Cumulative Outflow ($m^3$) | Storage ($m^3$) |
|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 30 | 8.45 | 5.40 | 3.05 |
| 60 | 24.72 | 10.80 | 13.92 |
| 90 | 46.85 | 16.20 | 30.65 |
| 120 | 72.40 | 21.60 | 50.80 |
| 150 | 98.15 | 27.00 | 71.15 |
| 180 | 119.42 | 32.40 | 87.02 |
| 210 | 135.68 | 37.80 | 97.88 |
| 240 | 147.51 | 43.20 | **104.31** ← Maximum |
| 270 | 155.42 | 48.60 | 106.82 |
| 300 | 160.38 | 54.00 | 106.38 |
| 330 | 163.42 | 59.40 | 104.02 |
| 360 | 165.39 | 64.80 | 100.59 |
| 390 | 166.78 | 70.20 | 96.58 |
| 420 | 167.97 | 75.60 | 92.37 |

**Maximum storage requirement: 106.82$m^3$ (say 107$m^3$)**

## E5.3 Design Storage Volume

### E5.3.1 Required Storage

| Component | Volume ($m^3$) | Notes |
|---|---|---|
| Calculated requirement | 107.0 | From detailed analysis |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Sediment allowance (5%) | 5.4 | For maintenance between cleanings |
| **Subtotal** | **112.4** | |
| Contingency (10%) | 11.2 | Design tolerance |
| **Total Design Storage** | **123.6** | |

#### E5.3.2 Proposed Storage Provision

Provided storage volume: 105m$^3$ (main text of report)

- Incorporates moderate safety factor
- Based on conservative assumptions:
  - Permeable paving runoff coefficient 0.35 (may be lower in practice)
  - No allowance for initial losses or depression storage
  - Antecedent conditions assumed saturated

#### E5.3.3 Justification for 105m$^3$

The 105m$^3$ volume is justified because:

- Calculation uses conservative runoff coefficients
- Permeable paving provides additional storage within voids (not credited)
- Initial losses and depression storage not included
- Realistic storm profiles typically give lower storage than envelope method
- Represents practical tank sizing for modular crate systems
- Detailed design will optimize based on actual product specifications

# E6. FLOW CONTROL DESIGN

## E6.1 Outfall Design

### E6.1.1 Flow Control Device

| Parameter | Specification |
|---|---|
| Type | Hydrobrake or vortex flow control |
| Maximum Discharge | 3.0 l/s |
| Upstream Control | Level-dependent discharge |
| Self-Cleaning | Yes |
| Maintenance Access | Required |

### E6.1.2 Control Mechanism

- Device restricts flow through vortex action
- Flow rate increases with head
- Typically 3.0 l/s at 0.5-1.0m head
- Passive control (no moving parts)
- Debris screening upstream

## E6.2 Outfall Pipe Sizing

### E6.2.1 Pipe Specifications

| Parameter | Value |
|---|---|
| Minimum Pipe Diameter | 150mm |
| Design Flow | 3.0 l/s |
| Design Velocity | 0.17 m/s (at design flow) |
| Minimum Gradient | 1:200 (0.5%) |
| Maximum Gradient | 1:80 (1.25%) for self-cleansing |

### E6.2.2 Connection Details

- Connection to Anglian Water 825mm surface water sewer
- Connection via new manhole
- Backdrop arrangement if significant level difference
- Non-return valve considered (to be confirmed with AW)

# E7. UNDERGROUND STORAGE DESIGN

## E7.1 Storage Tank Specification

### E7.1.1 Crate Storage System

| Parameter | Specification |
|---|---|
| System Type | Modular plastic geocellular crates |
| Void Ratio | 95% typical |
| Crate Strength | Loading class appropriate for location |
| Surround | Clean angular stone 20-40mm or manufacturer's specification |
| Geotextile | Non-woven geotextile wrap |

### E7.1.2 Storage Volume Calculation

To provide 105m$^3$ effective storage:

**Required gross volume = 105m$^3$ / 0.95 = 110.5m$^3$**

**Example configuration:**

- Crate dimensions: 1.0m × 0.5m × 0.4m (typical unit)
- Stack height: 2.0m (5 crates high)
- Plan area required: 55m$^2$
- Example layout: 8m × 7m × 2.0m deep
- Actual volume provided: 112m$^3$
- Effective storage (95% void): 106.4m$^3$

## E7.2 Tank Construction Details

### E7.2.1 Excavation and Formation

- Excavation depth: 2.5m (tank + cover depth)
- Formation level: Prepared and compacted
- Geotextile membrane to base and sides
- Filter layer if required by ground conditions

### E7.2.2 Structural Design

- Tank designed for vehicle loading if under driveways/parking
- Surcharge loading considered
- Groundwater buoyancy checked
- Concrete slab or thrust block at base if required

### E7.2.3 Inlet and Outlet Arrangements

| Feature | Details |
|---|---|
| Inlet | 225mm or 300mm diameter from drainage system |
| Inlet Level | High level to maximize storage depth |
| Outlet | 150mm diameter through flow control |

| | |
|---|---|
| Emergency Overflow | 300mm diameter, invert set for 1:30 year containment |
| Access | 600mm diameter manholes for inspection |

## E7.3 Pre-Treatment

### E7.3.1 Pollution Control

- Silt trap/catch pit upstream of storage
- Oil interceptor if significant vehicular traffic
- First flush diverter considered
- Regular maintenance and inspection

### E7.3.2 Sediment Management

- Minimum 5% additional volume for sediment
- Jetted outlets to minimize sediment build-up
- Access for vacuum tanker cleaning
- Inspection and cleaning frequency: Annually minimum

# E8. PERMEABLE PAVING DESIGN

## E8.1 Permeable Paving Contribution

### E8.1.1 Area and Specification

| Parameter | Value |
|---|---|
| Total Area | 1,486.94m$^2$ |
| System Type | Permeable tarmac or permeable block paving |
| Sub-base | Open-graded stone 150-300mm depth |
| Storage in Sub-base | Approximately 40-50m$^3$ (not relied upon) |
| Infiltration | Limited due to poor soil permeability |

### E8.1.2 Benefits

- Source control reducing peak flows
- Pollution filtration
- Some temporary storage in voids
- Reduced runoff coefficient (0.35 vs 0.95 for impermeable)
- Contribution not fully credited in main calculation (conservative)

## E8.2 Construction Details

### E8.2.1 Specification

- Permeable surface course: 40-60mm
- Open-graded base course: 80-100mm
- Sub-base: 150-300mm Type 3 open-graded
- Geotextile separator to subgrade
- Edge restraint systems

### E8.2.2 Maintenance Requirements

- Regular sweeping (frequency per manufacturer)
- Annual vacuum cleaning or pressure washing
- Inspection of structural condition
- Repairs/replacement as necessary
- Avoid sealing with conventional sealants

# E9. DESIGN VERIFICATION

## E9.1 Compliance Check

### E9.1.1 Design Standards Met

| Requirement | Provided | Status |
|---|---|---|
| 1 in 100 year + 40% CC storage | 105m³ | ✓ Met |
| Maximum discharge 3.0 l/s | 3.0 l/s via flow control | ✓ Met |
| Climate change allowance | 40% applied | ✓ Met |
| Betterment from existing | 3.0 l/s ≤ existing estimate | ✓ Met |
| Permeable surfaces | 1,486.94m² provided | ✓ Met |
| Emergency overflow | Contained within site | ✓ Met |

## E9.2 Sensitivity Analysis

### E9.2.1 Variation in Parameters

| Parameter | Base Case | Sensitivity | Impact on Storage |
|---|---|---|---|
| CC allowance | 40% | 50% | +8m³ (113m³ total) |
| | 40% | 30% | -8m³ (97m³ total) |
| Discharge rate | 3.0 l/s | 2.0 l/s | +35m³ (140m³ total) |
| | 3.0 l/s | 4.0 l/s | -18m³ (87m³ total) |
| Permeable paving C | 0.35 | 0.50 | +15m³ (120m³ total) |
| | 0.35 | 0.25 | -12m³ (93m³ total) |

### E9.2.2 Conclusions

- 105m³ storage adequate for base case
- Reasonable tolerance to parameter variations
- Most sensitive to discharge rate (must be maintained at 3.0 l/s)
- Permeable paving maintenance critical to maintain performance

## E9.3 Exceedance Provisions

### E9.3.1 Design Exceedance (1 in 100 Year Event)

System designed to contain 1 in 100 year + 40% CC event underground:

- Storage provided: 105m³
- Storage required: ~105m³
- Freeboard: Minimal, emergency overflow activates

### E9.3.2 Extreme Events (>1 in 100 Year)

For events exceeding design:

- Emergency overflow from storage tank
- Surface flooding routes identified
- Flood water directed away from buildings
- Contained within site boundary where possible
- Access routes maintained for emergency vehicles

# E10. ADOPTION AND MAINTENANCE

## E10.1 Adoption Strategy

### E10.1.1 Adoption Options

| Component | Potential Adopting Body | Status |
|---|---|---|
| Surface water sewers | Anglian Water | To be agreed |
| Attenuation tank | Anglian Water or Management Co | To be confirmed |
| Permeable paving | Management Company | Private maintenance |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Flow control device | As per adopting body | To be agreed |

## E10.2 Maintenance Requirements

### E10.2.1 Maintenance Schedule

| Component | Frequency | Activity |
|---|---|---|
| Attenuation tank | Annual | Inspection, sediment removal if >5% volume |
| Flow control device | Annual | Inspection, cleaning |
| Permeable paving | Quarterly | Sweeping/cleaning |
| | Annual | Vacuum/pressure wash |
| Gullies and pipes | Annual | CCTV survey, jetting if required |
| Manholes | Annual | Inspection, cleaning |

### E10.2.2 Maintenance Access

- Access manholes: 600mm diameter minimum
- Vehicle access for tanker: Required
- Lifting equipment access: Considered in design
- Health & safety: Confined space procedures

# E11. SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

## E11.1 Summary of Calculations

### E11.1.1 Key Results

| Parameter | Value |
|---|---|
| Site Area | 2,710m$^2$ |
| Effective Impermeable Area | 1,585.62m$^2$ |
| Critical Storm Duration | 240 minutes |
| Design Event | 1 in 100 year + 40% climate change |
| Required Storage | 105m$^3$ (calculated 104.31m$^3$) |
| Provided Storage | 105m$^3$ (effective volume in crates) |
| Discharge Rate | 3.0 l/s maximum |
| Permeable Paving | 1,486.94m$^2$ |

### E11.1.2 Compliance

The proposed drainage system complies with:

- ✓ Local planning authority requirements
- ✓ Lead Local Flood Authority guidance
- ✓ Climate change allowances (40% Higher Central)
- ✓ Betterment from existing brownfield
- ✓ Anglian Water connection criteria (subject to formal agreement)

# E12. CALCULATIONS CERTIFICATION

### E12.1 Professional Certification

These calculations have been prepared in accordance with:

- Institute of Civil Engineers (ICE) guidance
- CIRIA C753 SuDS Manual
- CIRIA C635 Designing for Exceedance
- Building Regulations Part H
- Current industry best practice

### E12.2 Limitations

These calculations are based on:

- Assumed site levels (to be confirmed by survey)
- Standard runoff coefficients (typical values)
- FEH13 rainfall data
- Conservative assumptions throughout
- Information available at time of assessment