

Good Afternoon,

Thank you for consulting us on the Denstone Neighbourhood Plan.

Our comments are in relation to the risk from ordinary watercourses and surface water.

I have listed the policy number each comment refers to before the comment.

DEN-PE4: Flooding and Surface Water

Interpretation and Guidance.

It might be a good idea to reference Staffordshire County Council in their role as LLFA or Flood Risk Management Team to make it clear what is being talked about.

It would be good to link to the [Staffordshire SuDS Handbook](#) to ensure that all points relating to flood risk and drainage are covered.

We would also suggest including our standing advice for drainage applications (below).

In general, any surface water drainage scheme should demonstrate the following:

- Surface water drainage system(s) designed in accordance with the Non-technical standards for sustainable drainage systems (DEFRA, March 2015).
- Limiting the discharge rate generated by all rainfall events up to the 100 year plus climate change in accordance with the guidance in the SCC SuDS Handbook.
- Provision of surface water runoff attenuation storage.
- Detailed design (plans, network details and calculations) in support of any surface water drainage scheme, including details on any attenuation system, and the outfall arrangements. Calculations should demonstrate the performance of the designed system for a range of return periods and storm durations.
- Plans illustrating flooded areas and flow paths in the event of exceedance of the drainage system.
- Provision of an acceptable management and maintenance plan for surface water drainage to ensure that surface water drainage systems shall be maintained and managed for the lifetime of the development.
- Provision of supporting information to demonstrate that sufficient water quality measures have been incorporated into the design. This should be in accordance with the CIRIA SuDS Manual Simple Index Approach and SuDS treatment design criteria.

- Evidence of compliance with the principles of the drainage hierarchy, as described in Part H of the Building Regulations. If applicable, evidence of infiltration testing in accordance with BRE365 should be provided. If discharge is proposed to a surface water sewer then evidence should be provided regarding permission to connect.

Removed Policies

We would also comment that the policy in the previous neighbourhood plan (in the screenshot below) should be retained as this has been removed from the updated plan.

posed to control water by any contamination or previously used land.

Community Proposal CPDP1 Flood prevention and water management (Objective 1).

The Parish Council will support necessary investment in sewage/drainage infrastructure in Denstone designed to avoid potential flooding problems. However, it will be necessary for any physical installations/structure to be designed to fit in with the character of the village. This is a community aspiration and not a planning policy.

Should you have any questions on any of our responses please contact us at flood.team@staffordshire.gov.uk

Kind Regards
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