



**Central Lincolnshire Local Plan 2012-2036
Examination**

**MATTER 13: Design and the Natural Environment
Issue 13d, Questions 11, 12 ,13 and 14**

Written Statement

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Issue 13d – Water Resources and Flooding – Policy LP14

Q11. The PPG states that all new homes already have to meet the mandatory national standard in the Building Regulations of 125 litres/ person/ day. Where there is a clear local need, local planning authorities can set out Local Plan policies requiring new dwellings to meet the tighter Building Regulations requirement of 110 litres/ person/ day (Ref ID 56-014-20150327). Is the standard of 110 litres/ person/ day in Policy LP14 justified on available, up-to-date evidence?

Yes – we are supportive of the inclusion of the optional higher water efficiency standard based upon the available evidence as set out in the agreed Statement of Common Ground with the Joint Committee and the Environment Agency.

Q12. Is the requirement to meet the tighter standard location specific, or does it apply to proposals across Central Lincolnshire? If so, is there a need for a higher requirement across the whole area?

We consider that the optional higher water efficiency standard should apply across the plan area for the reasons set out in the agreed Statement of Common Ground with the Joint Committee and the Environment Agency.

Q13. The PPG also states that it will be for a local planning authority to establish a clear need based on, amongst other things, a consideration of the impact on viability and housing supply of such a requirement. Has this been done? Will the standard of 110 litres/ person/ day be viable?

As set out in the agreed Statement of Common Ground with the Joint Committee and the Environment Agency we consider that the addition of the optional higher water efficiency standard and associated cost will not make the Local Plan unviable.

Q14. Is the Local Plan based on the most up-to-date Water Cycle Study and Strategic Flood Risk Assessment? Are updates to either document material to the Local Plan?

As set out in our consultation response we are supportive of policies LP12 ,LP14 and LP28 of the Submission Local Plan. These policies provide for the phasing of development to ensure that it is aligned with necessary infrastructure including that provided by Anglian Water.

In particular Policy LP14 requires that applicants demonstrate that water is available to serve the development and that adequate foul water treatment and disposal already exists or can be provided in time to serve the development. Therefore we are satisfied that these policies would enable development in the plan area to be phased appropriately with water and water recycling infrastructure.

The Joint Committee commissioned a level 2 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment and an updated Water Cycle Study following the publication of previous technical studies relating to flood risk and water/water recycling infrastructure to support the preparation of the Local Plan. Anglian Water considers that there is no need for any specific modifications to be made to the policies of the submitted Local Plan to take account of the findings of both the Level 2 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment and the Central Lincolnshire Water Cycle Study Update (2016).