

# **MELTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

## **Erratum to November 2016 – Final Scoping Report and Sustainability Appraisal**

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## Explanation

An erratum has been identified in relation to the “Sustainability Scoping Report incorporating Strategic Environmental Assessment – Final Scoping Report dated November 2016 and the Sustainability Appraisal which formed part of the Regulation 15/16 Melton Neighbourhood Plan Submission documentation.

The Final Scoping Report and Sustainability Appraisal do not incorporate the response of Melton Parish Council to comments from the Environment Agency appended to the Strategic Environmental Assessment Screening Opinion Statement November 2016. The response and conclusion is set out in the table below and should now be read in conjunction with the relevant documents.

This erratum has been published to allow opportunity for further comment or for submitted comments to be amended.

Matter raised	Response	Action
1. Flood risk and specifically the wording in Table 5.1 for sustainability theme 1/Env which currently says, ‘Number of developments in ‘highly vulnerable’ or ‘more vulnerable’ flood risk areas.’ Recommends options for alternative wording.	Agreed – intention of assessment was to identify ‘highly vulnerable’ and ‘more vulnerable’ developments. This does not materially affect the SEA assessment.	Amend Final Scoping Report, Table 5.1, and Sustainability Appraisal, Table 6.1, to read:  <i>‘Number of highly vulnerable and more vulnerable developments in Flood Zone 3 (high probability) and Flood Zone 2 (medium probability)’</i>
2. It would be beneficial if future development in Melton could contribute to the funding of future improvements to the flood defences on the River Deben.	Noted	No change
3. As there are areas at risk of surface water flooding in Melton we recommend that you consult with the Lead Local Flood Authority Suffolk County Council.	Noted, this has been done	No change
4. The section entitled “Water,” page 19 and following may wish to	Agreed.  This does not materially	Add a paragraph following paragraph 3.19 in both the Final Scoping Report and the

<p>make reference to the south of the area being situated over a Source Protection Zone 2 and across the whole area are Principle and Unproductive Aquifers. These features will require future developments to put in place measures to protect the water environment.</p>	<p>affect the SEA assessment and it is not considered necessary, given the specific nature of the advice to future developments (which should be addressed at the planning application stage), to suggest any change to the Neighbourhood Plan.</p>	<p>Sustainability Appraisal to say:  <i>'In southern part of the Neighbourhood Plan area is situated over a Source Protection Zone 2 and across the whole area are Principle and Unproductive Aquifers. These features will require future developments to put in place measures to protect the water environment.'</i></p>
<p>5. Section 3.23 may wish to make reference to the area being a Nitrate Vulnerable Zone.</p>	<p>Agreed.  This does not materially affect the SEA assessment.</p>	<p>Add a paragraph following paragraph 3.23 in both the Final Scoping Report and the Sustainability Appraisal to say:  <i>'The Neighbourhood Plan area is a Nitrate Vulnerable Zone.'</i></p>
<p>6. Development that proposes to dispose of foul water to the existing sewer network will increase the discharge loading from the receiving sewage treatment works which may have an adverse impact on the consented permit and subsequent water quality issues.</p>	<p>Noted and it is considered that this should be reflected.  This does not materially affect the SEA assessment.</p>	<p>Add a paragraph following paragraph 3.23 in both the Final Scoping Report and the Sustainability Appraisal to say:  <i>'Development that proposes to dispose of foul water to the existing sewer network will increase the discharge loading from the receiving sewage treatment works which may have an adverse impact on the consented permit and subsequent water quality issues.'</i></p>
<p>7. Reference to the Anglian River Basin Management Plan should be updated to refer to the latest information, data sets and targets, February 2016</p>	<p>Agreed.  This does not materially affect the SEA assessment.</p>	<p>Amend the 'Key targets/indicators' in the final row of the 'National and Regional Context' table on p11 of both the Final Scoping Report and the Sustainability Appraisal to say:  <i>'43% water bodies have an objective of maintaining or aiming to achieve good ecological status between</i></p>

*2015 and 2027; 6% have been set an objective of reaching moderate ecological status by 2027.'*

Overall, it is our opinion that this does not materially affect the work undertaken on the SEA or the Plan as a whole.