# Appendix B - EA and BCC Information 

Environment Agency Published Flood Map for Planning
British Geology Survey - Geology Map - Superficial

British Geology Survey - Geology Map - Bedrock
MAGIC Aquifer Designation Map - Superficial
MAGIC Aquifer Designation Map - Bedrock

MAGIC Groundwater Vulnerability Map

MAGIC Soilscape Map
Surface Water Flood Risk Map
Reservoir Flood Risk Map

Rivers and Sea Flood Risk Map

Critical Drainage Area Plan
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Superficial deposits
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FIGURE 5



## Legend

Aquifer Designation Map (Superficial Drift) (England)
$\square$ Principal
$\square$ Secondary A
$\square$ Secondary B
$\square$ Secondary (undifferentiated)
$\square$ Unknown (lakes+landslip)
Unproductive

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SUPERFICIAL DEPOSITS
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## Legend

Soilscape (England)
$\square 1$ - Saltmarsh soils
$\square 2$ - Shallow very acid peaty soils over rock
$\square^{3 \text { - Shallow lime-rich soils over chalk or }}$
limestone
$\square 4$ - Sand dune soils
$\square 5$ - Freely draining lime-rich loamy soils
$\square 6$ - Freely draining slightly acid loamy soils
7 - Freely draining slightly acid but base-rich soils
8 - Slightly acid loamy and clayey soils with impeded drainage
$\square^{9}$-Lime-rich loamy and clayey soils with impeded drainage
10 - Freely draining slightly acid sandy soils
$\square 11$ - Freely draining sandy breckland soils
$\square 12$ - Freely draining floodplain soils
$\square_{\text {rock }}^{13 \text { - Freely draining acid loamy soils over }}$ rock
14 - Freely draining very acid sandy and , solls
15 - Naturally wet very acid sandy and loamy soils
$\square 16$ - Very acid loamy upland soils with a wet peaty surface
$\square$ 17-Slowly permeable seasonally wet acid
loamy and clayey soils
18 - Slowly permeable seasonally wet slightly acid but base-rich loamy and clayey soils

19 - Slowly permeable wet very acid upland $\square_{\text {soils with a peaty surface }}$
20 - Loamy and clayey floodplain soils with naturally high groundwater
21 - Loamy and clayey soils of coastal flats
with naturally high groundwater
22 - Loamy soils with naturally high groundwater
23 - Loamy and sandy soils with naturally high groundwater and a peaty surface
24 - Restored soils mostly from quarry and $\square_{\text {opencast spoil }}^{24-R e s t o r ~}$
$\square 25$ - Blanket bog peat soils
$\square 26$ - Raised bog peat soils
$\square 27$ - Fen peat soils
$\square 28$ - Sea
$\square 30$ - UC
$\square 31$ - Water

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SOILSCAPE

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## Appendix C - Consultation responses

Environment Agency pre-planning application response
Anglian Water pre-application letter
Lead Local Flood Authority correspondence

ECC Pre-Application response

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Our ref: AE/2019/123999/01-L01
Your ref: 60567432
Date: 16 April 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

CONSTRUCTION OF UP TO 1,500 HOMES ALONG WITH UP TO 1,000SQM. FLEXIBLE BUSINESS FLOOR SPACE, NEW PRIMARY SCHOOL, STAND ALONE NURSERY AND 5 PLOTS FOR TRAVELLING SHOW PERSONS.

## SOUTH WOODHAM FERRERS, CHELMSFORD, CM3 6QJ

Thank you for your recent enquiry regarding the above proposed development dated 22 March 2019.

Having reviewed your proposal we are providing you with a preliminary opinion, which outlines the key environmental issues within our remit that are relevant to your proposal and provides guidance on any actions you need to undertake. It also provides hyperlinks to where you can obtain further information and advice to help support your planning application. We offer one free preliminary opinion per site, per applicant / developer.

If you would like further advice, we would be pleased to offer this through our charged for service. Further details can be found at the end of this letter.

## Flood Risk

Our maps show the site lies partially within Flood Zone 2 and 3, the medium and high probability zone. The application is for 1500 dwellings, office space, school and nursery and 5 plots for travelling persons, which is considered to have a mixed vulnerability ranging from less vulnerable to highly vulnerable land use in Table 2: Flood Risk Vulnerability Classification of the Planning Practice Guidance. It is therefore necessary for the application to pass the Sequential and Exception Tests and to be supported by a site-specific Flood Risk Assessment (FRA).
This FRA should demonstrate that the 'development will be safe for its lifetime taking account of the vulnerability of its users, without increasing flood risk elsewhere, and, where possible, will reduce flood risk overall'.

[^0]We have included with our response a factsheet which sets out the minimum requirements for the FRA and a guidance note on climate change allowances. The latest climate change allowances can also be viewed here.

Our Customers and Engagement team can provide any relevant flooding information that we have available. Please contact: ensenquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk.

## Sequential Siting

A sequential approach should be applied to the site, directing more and highly vulnerable development towards areas at lowest risk. This approach is supported by the Planning Practice Guidance, reference ID: 7-053-20140306, which states 'Layout should be designed so that the most vulnerable uses are restricted to higher ground at lower risk of flooding, with development which has a lower vulnerability (parking, open space, etc) in the highest risk areas, unless there are overriding reasons to prefer a different location.'

## Flood Risk Activity Permit

Flood Defence Consents now fall under the new Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010 system (EPR). The applicant may need an environmental permit for flood risk activities if they want to do work in, under, over or within 16 m of the river and of any flood defence structure or culvert of the Fen Brook, designated a 'main river'.

The EPR are a risk-based framework that enables us to focus regulatory effort towards activities with highest flood or environmental risk. Lower risk activities will be excluded or exempt and only higher risk activities will require a permit. Your proposed works may fall under an either one or more of the below:

- 'Exemption,
- 'Exclusion',
- 'Standard Risks Permit'
- 'Bespoke permit.

New forms and further information can be found at: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-activities-environmental-permits. Anyone carrying out these activities without a permit where one is required, is breaking the law.

Please contact our National Customer Contact Centre to assess which category your proposed works fall under. They will then be able to tell you the classification of your application, the fee associated with your application, and how to proceed forward. They can be contacted by email at: floodriskactivity@environment-agency.gov.uk

## Charged for Service

Should you wish us to review any technical documents or want further advice to address the environmental issues, we can do this as part of our charged for service.

Further engagement at the pre-application stage will speed up our formal response to your planning application and provide you with certainty as to what our response to your planning application will be. It should also result in a better quality and more environmentally sensitive development. As part of our charged for service we will provide a dedicated project manager to act as a single point of contact to help resolve any problems.

We currently charge $£ 100$ per hour plus VAT. We will provide you with an estimated cost for any further discussions or review of documents. The terms and conditions of our charged for service are available here.

Please note: This response is based on the information you have made available at this time. It is based on current national planning policy, associated legislation and environmental data / information. If any of these elements change in the future then we may need to reconsider our position.

We trust that the above information is of assistance. If you'd like further detailed advice, please don't hesitate to contact me using the details below.

Yours faithfully


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## Countryside Properties- Land North of Burnham Road, South Woodham

## Ferrers

## Dear Sirs

Anglian Water has worked with the applicant and the applicant's consultants through pre-application discussions and will continue to work closely with them throughout the planning process to ensure that the development is delivered, should permission be granted, in line with the approved drainage strategy.

Both Anglian Water and the applicants are aware that infrastructure improvements and upgrades are required to serve the development site in full. Detailed modelling work will be undertaken to ensure that the best solution is found and implemented and mitigation works identified.

We are committed to continuing our engagement with the applicant regarding this development site, and will liaise with the local planning authority throughout the planning process.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of this letter please contact us.


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16 October 2019 11:43
Trigueros, Borja
RE: South Woodham Ferrers - SWMP \& PFRA Reports

Good morning,

Thank you for your email.

After reviewing our records and mapping, we have found that the proposed development site is not located within a SWMP study area so we don't have any further information in this respect. The closest SWMP is the South Essex SWMP which covers Rochford, Castle Point and Basildon.

We do have a PFRA which covers the whole of Essex but this is very high level and simply summarises the total number of residential and commercial properties that are at risk of Surface Water Flooding across the county. This is publicly available information so can be provided by ECC on request but information should be available more widely on the .gov.uk website.

I hope this helps, and please let me know if you have any further questions.

Kind regards,

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Cc: Farmer, Anne [Anne.Farmer@aecom.com](mailto:Anne.Farmer@aecom.com)
Subject: South Woodham Ferrers - SWMP \& PFRA Reports

## Good Afternoon,

Our client Countryside Properties is preparing a planning application on South Woodham Ferrers. The site covers an area of approximately 96 Ha . It is located to the north of Burnham Road (B1012) and to the east of Willow Grove. Ordnance Survey National Grid reference to the centre of the site is E580582, N198497 and the closest postcode is CM3 5QN.

We are commissioned with preparing a Flood Risk Assessment and Drainage Strategy. We would be grateful if you could provide a copy of the Surface Water Management Plan and the Preliminary Flood Risk Assessment Report of the area.

Many thanks,
Borja

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Borja Trigueros
Date: 14 May 2020
Our Ref SUDS-004465

Dear Ms Trigueros,
Pre-application Response - North of South Woodham Ferrers

Thank you for contacting us for pre-application advice which provides Essex County Council (ECC) with the opportunity to assess and advise on the proposed surface water drainage strategy for the aforementioned planning application.

As the Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) ECC provides advice on SuDS schemes for major developments. ECC have been statutory consultee on surface water since the 15th April 2015.

In providing advice this Council looks to ensure sustainable drainage proposals comply with the required standards as set out in the following documents:

- Non-statutory technical standards for sustainable drainage systems
- Essex County Council's (ECC's) adopted Sustainable Drainage Systems Design Guide
- The CIRIA SuDS Manual (C753)
- BS8582 Code of practice for surface water management for development sites.


## Lead Local Flood Authority position

After reviewing the submitted documents please see a summary of our comments below:

ECC is statutory consultee to ensure the adoption of sustainable ways of surface water management where above ground storage is our preferred option when considering drainage strategies for new developments. Above ground storage options maximize the amenity and biodiversity benefits of SUDS. It is preferable that these are implemented throughout the development and integrated into the proposed landscaping as extensively as practicable.

## Overall Drainage Strategy

The proposed development at North of South Woodham Ferrers is a large major development and comprises of 8 sub-catchments. The drainage strategy has included SUDS features such as swales and detention basins. All existing ditched would be retained and the site discharge would be made using 3 outfalls into watercourses.

Having reviewed the surface water drainage strategy and flood risk assessment it is considered that the proposed surface water drainage and flood mitigation proposal has sufficiently address the SUDS principles to manage surface water flows from the site and also mitigated the overland flow by incorporating open SUDS features.

The surface water attenuation would be provided by detention basins and discharge from the site would be restricted to 1 in 1 year greenfield run off rates for all events including 1 in 100 plus $40 \%$ allowance of climate change. Further it was agreed to explore the suitability of infiltration by undertaking ground testing in line with BRE Digest 365 Soakaway Design. In case of positive infiltration, it is recommended to use onsite infiltration as the first method of discharge and or an opportunity to make the scheme more flood resilient by using hybrid infiltration.

It is notice that the discharge rates are expressed in relation to the multiple catchments 1 in 1 year greenfield rates and no information was given for 1 in 1 year discharge from the entire site. During the pre-application meeting it was discussed the combined discharge from multiple sites would not exceed from 1 in 1 year greenfield runoff rates for the whole site. This information should be included in drainage strategy.

Please note the discharge rate of detention basin " $J$ " is given in drawing number XX-C-DR-0030 and 0031) is not in line with the discharge rates provided for detention basin J in table 6-10. It is assumed the attenuation volume is given for individual basin $(\mathrm{J})$ however the discharge rates were expressed for total network J .

The drainage strategy has satisfied the SUDS principles at a scale of subcatchments, it is recommended to use the same principal to achieve surface water management at individual parcel or development scale and provide additional benefits using range of SUDS features to improve water quality and enhance landscape with green and blue infrastructure.

## Maintenance and Adoption

The on-going maintenance of any features will be necessary to ensure that flooding does not occur due to failure of components. A maintenance plan should be provided as part of the planning application process detailing the maintenance activities and frequencies as well as who will be maintaining the system.

We understand that Anglian Water do adopt SuDS schemes within this region upon a scheme meeting their Adoption Criteria. If you intend to have them adopt your scheme, you will also need to provide proof that you have sent an Expression of Interest to them, or an Approval in Principle of your design.

## Additional comments:

At some point during the planning stage, you would need to show how surface water will be managed during the construction phase.

You would also need to demonstrate how surface water impacts on the drainage system before and after development, and how the new development improves existing land drainage or surface water management.

Under Section 23 of the Land Drainage act (1991) any proposed structure that impacts on the cross-sectional area of a watercourse will require Ordinary Watercourse consent to be sought from Essex County Council. Such applications are separate from and are required in addition to the planning process.

The LLFA would expect the following documentation to be submitted at Outline Planning Application stage:

- Flood Risk Assessment
- Drainage strategy
- Preliminary layout drawings showing potential features, and location of discharge points
- Preliminary storage calculations and greenfield runoff rate calculations
- Preliminary landscape proposals
- Preliminary ground investigation report, to show potential infiltration viability
- Evidence of third-party agreement to discharge

This is not an exhaustive list and other information may need to be submitted alongside the application, pending on the site-specific requirements.

## Please note:

The advice provided by the Council's Officers is informal opinion only and is made without prejudice to any formal decision that may be given in the event of an application being submitted.

In particular, any advice given will not constitute a formal response or recommendation of the County Council. Any views of opinions expressed are in good faith and to the best of ability, without prejudice to the formal consideration of any application, which will ultimately be decided by the Local Planning Authority. The County Council cannot guarantee that new issues will not be raised following submission of a planning application and consultation upon it.

Officers cannot give guarantees about the final formal decision that will be made on planning or related applications. However, the advice contained within the written response will be considered by officers when considering any future planning application. This is subject to the proviso that circumstances and information may change or come to light that could alter the position. It should be noted that the weight given to pre-application advice will change if new material considerations arise.

Whilst we have no further comments at this stage, we strongly recommend you engage in pre-application consultation with any other organisations that maybe relevant to the proposed drainage strategy to avoid potential delays at the application stage. If you have any queries about any advice we have given please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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## Appendix D - Proposed Development Plans

Proposed Site Plan
Surface Water Drainage Strategy - Flood Zone Areas



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