Email received from Internal Drainage Boards re Neighbourhood Plan Consultation.

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Dear Sir

Many thanks for the opportunity for the Internal Drainage Board to participate in this consultation process.

The Board’s position is that it is always seeking that, wherever possible, the risk of flooding should be reduced and that, as far as is practicable, surface water arising from any developed site should be managed in a sustainable manner to mimic the surface water flows arising from the site prior to the proposed development.  This should be considered whether the surface water arrangements from the site are to connect to a public or private asset (watercourse or sewer) before out-falling into a watercourse or, to outfall directly into a watercourse in the Board area.

The Board believes that, in an area where drainage problems could exist, development should not be allowed at any location until the Local Authority is satisfied that surface water drainage has been satisfactorily provided for. And any approved development should not adversely affect the surface water drainage of the area and amenity of adjacent properties.

In addition the Board does not consider that development within Flood Zone 3 is desirable or sustainable in the longer term.

The Board normally focuses on providing responses on individual developments that are either within the Board’s drainage district, or are likely to impact on its activities.

Kind Regards

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