District: Cherwell

Application no: 20/00722/DISC

Proposal: : Discharge of Condition 14a (Overarching surface water drainage

assessment) of 18/01430/TWAO

Location: East West Rail Network Phase 2 The Scheme Railway From London

Road Bicester To Station Road Launton

Lead Local Flood Authority

Recommendation:

Condition 14 a not discharged / further information required

Key issues:

- Ø Incorrect guidance referred to in parts.
- Ø Constraints Plans for each site should be provided.

Detailed comments:

Incorrect guidance is being quoted or used in parts of the document. The document quotes the EA climate change guidance and mention 40% however, it mainly refers to the Central values. The sites are in the upper end of the Thames Catchment and therefore the document needs to refer to the upper end catchment figures only. We will expect 40% to be included in the design and catered for within the proposed SuDS measures, not just provided as a sensitivity check.

This also applies to the Highway drainage and Station Drainage which is mentioned to have lower design standards in the report. All the sites must be delivered in line with the "Local Standards and Guidance for Surface Water Drainage on Major Development in Oxfordshire".

No location plans or constraint plans have been provided for each of the site areas which we would have expected to have been provided at this stage. The plans should include key information such as fluvial & pluvial flood extents, and other known issues such as groundwater and pollution. There is a flood risk assessment condition (13) which requires further information to be submitted. This information may be provided as part of this condition discharge however, we have yet to be consulted on this condition.

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