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BY EMAIL ONLY

Dear Sir/Madam,

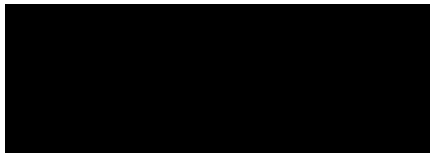
**Draft Hanley Castle Neighbourhood Plan: Regulation 16 consultation**

Worcestershire County Council welcomes the opportunity to comment on the above consultation, and provides the following officer-only comments from the Lead Local Flood Authority.

The principles in regards to surface water and drainage seem satisfactory. However, there does not seem to be much mention of SuDS in the main document, so it may be useful to add a small section on this. This could include being more specific in asking for SuDS to be considered on all developments (regardless of size), and specifying that at surface-level SuDS provide the greatest opportunity for multiple benefits and should be considered before below-ground SuDS. Reference should also be made to ensuring the maintenance of SuDS is for the lifetime of the development.

If you require any further clarification on these points, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely,



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