

Appendix C: Summary of Representations made on the focused consultation regarding water neutrality on the Lower Beeding Neighbourhood Development Plan (PNDP)

1. This document provides a summary of the representations submitted for the focussed consultation LBNDP held between **2 September 2024 to 14 October 2024** regarding the introduction of water neutrality measures to the Lower Beeding Neighbourhood Development Plan (LBNDP) to ensure the Lower Beeding Neighbourhood Plan is compliant with the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended).
2. Set out below is a summary of the issues raised in the representations.

Ref Number	Full Name	Policy	Support/Objection /Comment	Summary of Comments	Response
LoB1	Surrey County Council	Water Neutrality	n/a	No comment.	No further action required.
LoB2	Environment Agency	Water Neutrality & alignment with LP Strategic Policy 9	Support	Support of the Policy 19 and accompanying amendments.	No further action required.
LoB3	Historic England	General	Comment	General advice and guidance for the development of the neighbourhood plan with regard to the historic environment and area's heritage assets	No further action required.
LoB4	Claridge, Aubrey	General	Support	Noticeable degradation re environment in the area – narrow	No further action required.

				areas of protection do not help the local environment at a village level, but the full NP needs to be implemented soon in order to deliver plans/funding for initiatives	
LoB5	West Sussex County Council	General	n/a	No Comments to raise	No further action required.
LoB6	Natural England	General	No comment on Water Neutrality Policy or HRA.	Standing Advice Given on Biodiversity, habitats, protected landscapes and green infrastructure provision.	No further action required.
LoB7	Southern Water	Supporting text : Para 9.1	Support with modifications	<p>Suggested amendments reflect the fact that Sussex North WRZ is not wholly supplied by groundwater (it is also supplied by surface water abstracted from two separate locations):</p> <p>Current Wording</p> <p>9.1 Horsham District lies within the Sussex North Water Resource Zone (WRZ). This WRZ is supplied from groundwater abstraction, from the Folkestone bed of the Lower Greensand/Wealden Greensand semi-confined aquifer, on the River Arun, close to Pulborough.</p> <p>Recommendation</p> <p>9.1 Horsham District lies within the Sussex North Water Resource Zone</p>	Agreed change for the purpose of clarification to reflect the fact that Sussex North WRZ is not wholly supplied by groundwater (it is also supplied by surface water abstracted from two separate locations).

				(WRZ). This WRZ is partly supplied from groundwater abstraction, from the Folkestone bed of the Lower Greensand/Wealden Greensand semi-confined aquifer, on the River Arun , close to Pulborough.	
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