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FAO: Lauren Parsons

Ref: 22062

Re: The King Alfred, Street, Somerset BA16 0HB Nutrient Neutrality Assessment and Mitigation Strategy

**Dear Sirs** 

The proposed development comprises 2 dwellings within the urban fabric parcel at The King Alfred, Street BA16 0HB. The development parcel is some 0.052 Ha of the wider site area, the wider site area is a public house and is to remain a public house. The 0.052 Ha parcel is currently part of the urban fabric of the public house and will become residential urban fabric which have the same site phosphorus leaching value as currently. The proposed development is shown on PLC Architects drawing 10.00-G attached.

The site is located within the catchment area of the Somerset Levels and Moors Ramsar site and it is a requirement of Mendip DC (MDC) that a nutrient neutrality assessment is undertaken and a mitigation strategy identified. MDC direct use of their phosphorus budget calculator v3.1 accessible from their website for assessment. An assessment has been made issuing this tool with the following inputs:

- 2 dwellings proposed at 2.4 Population each
- Site discharge to the Glastonbury WwTW
- Development area comprises 0.052 Ha urban fabric to become 0.052 Ha urban fabric
- Soil type 9 (impeded drainage) MDC classification as impermeable

The calculator assesses the impact as **+0.42 kgTP/yr** inclusive of the 20% precautionary buffer. A set of the calculations are attached.

MDC website also directs to Somerset CC 'Interim Guidelines on small scale thresholds and nutrient neutrality principle for the somerset Levels and Moors Ramsar catchment.' These relate to small discharges in areas remote from the public sewer network for which septic tank or package treatment plant discharges are proposed. As the site is already served by public sewer, septic tank or package treatment plant discharge would not be permitted.

For sites where mitigation is required the MDC website identifies the following to be required at application stage:

- Phosphate calculator input and output values (these are given above and a copy of the calculations attached)
- For minor developments any information that could be provided to assist the council in understanding the options during the application process. To this ends the following applies:
  - 1) A water efficiency standard of 110 LPD is proposed
  - 2) There is insufficient space for on site mitigation and it is not proposed to seek to provide on site mitigation.
  - 3) Because on site mitigation is not possible it is proposed to either:

- i. Seek mitigation credits through a third party nutrient credit scheme if/when one becomes available: OR
- ii. Seek mitigation through a strategic mitigation solution coming forward through the Somerset phosphate Strategy.

Due to the small scale of the development the time, cost and complexity of entering bespoke arrangements (3i above) currently renders this approach non-viable.

Royal Haskoning recently (14<sup>th</sup> March 2021) published the Somerset Levels and Moors Phosphate Mitigation Solutions report. The combined Somerset authorities are currently considering this and the MDC position statement on 'Progress on a Somerset Phosphates Strategy' was recently updated on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2022 (copy attached). This constitutes (3ii) above. The MDC position statement 26/5/2022 identifies with respect to Strategic solutions/Somerset credit scheme that:

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DEFRA announced £100,000 in funding to planning authorities to support mitigation in Somerset. Officers are now considering how this can be used to develop action plans and further a strategic solution such as credit scheme for phosphates.

The lack of detail and very vague nature of the statement tends to suggest that strategic credits will not be imminently available.

In common with many minor developments the only realistic mitigation option trajectory will be strategic solutions/Somerset credit. In acceptance of planning conditions linking to this applicants currently have no control on when credits will be available for purchase or the unit cost of a credit bot of which are essential to funders at application stage..

Yours Sincerely,

## **Aqua Callidus Consulting Ltd**

#### **Andy Traves**

Enc. PLC Architects drawing 10.00-G proposed site layout

Somerset phosphorus budget calculations v3.1

MDC positional statement 26/5/3022 'Progress on a Somerset Phosphates Strategy'



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# Phosphorous Budget Calculator v3.1











#### Introduction

Following the Dutch Nitrogen Case which ruled that where a site is failing to achieve condition due to pollution, the potential for a new development to add to the nutrient load is "necessarily limited". Ramsar sites are classified as 'European Sites' under the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) Paragraph 176. As such, Natural England's view is that any development proposal that adds phosphorous into the catchment of Ramsar sites, such as the Somerset Levels and Moors, is likely to have a significant effect. Proposed developments likely to affect European Sites should be subject to Habitats Regulations Assessment to assess the Likely Significant Affect on the Ramsar. Application with a Likely Effect will require an Appropriate Assessment to assess the implications of the proposal on the designated site.

This tool is designed to quantify the phosphorous loading of an area of land subject to a change of land use and population, in order to identify is proposed developments will be 'Phosphorous neutral'. Where the proposed development will create additional phosphorous into the system, solutions in how to offset this excess phosphorous and achieve phosphorous neutrality are presented.

This tool is only necessary for proposed developments that have the potential to increase phosphorous loading to rivers that flow into the Somerset Levels and Moors Ramsar site. Developments that are located outside of the hydrological catchment but will connect to a Wastewater Treatment Works (WwTW) that drains to a river within the catchment should not complete Stages 2 and 3.

The methodology employed within this tool was, in part, guided by Natural England's advice on nutrient neutrality in relation to the Stodmarsh designated sites, published in November 2020.

This tool consists of seven main worksheets:

- Stage 1 Identifies the additional phosphorous as a result of changes in the population
- Stage 2 Calculates the phosphorous load from current land use
- Stage 3 Calculates the phosphorous load from future land uses
- Stage 4 Calculates the total change in phosphorous loading as a result of the proposed development
- Stage 5 Calculates the required solutions to achieve phosphorous neutrality under current wastewater permit limits
- Stage 6 Calculates the required solutions to achieve phosphorous neutrality under AMP7 wastewater permit limits
- Stage 7 Calculates the difference in mitigation solutions between current wastewater permit limits and AMP7 permit limits

#### About

This Phosphorous budget calculator is designed to allow the user to:

- Calculate the phosphorous budget for a proposed development and if, in its current form, the proposed development is phosphorous neutral; and
- Assess the various mitigation options if the proposed development is not phosphorous neutral.

The tool has been designed so that the user is able to update the data and methods in light of any new research or understanding. The information supplied in this tool is for guidance purposes only and is not intended to provide an exact budget calculation due to the limitations and assumptions of the model. The user is responsible for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of all data entered, be it manually or automatically, and used by this tool. The user is also responsible for any commercial decisions taken on any of the outputs of this tool.

Royal HaskoningDHV will not be liable for any of the following arising from the use of this tool (including from any negligence on the part of Royal HaskoningDHV):

- (i) loss of anticipated profits or expected future business;
- (ii) damage to reputation or goodwill;
- (iii) damages, costs or expenses payable by the user to any third party;
- (iv) loss of any order or contract; or
- (v) indirect or consequential loss of any kind.

This Phosphorous budget calculator has been developed by Royal HaskoningDHV on behalf on Somerset West and Taunton District Council.

Phosphorous budget calculator, v3.1 (released March 2021)

#### General help

The Tool uses the following colour coding to indicate the functionality to the user. These colours are:

The user needs to input a value here

This contains fixed or calculated values and the user does not need to input a value

#### Stage 1

This stage calculates the change in phosphorous loading as a result of changes in the population of a site.

- Step 1: The user should input the additional number of units that are proposed by the development. This is then multiplied by the occupancy rate per dwelling.
- Step 2: The user has the option to select whether sewage from the proposed development will be handled by Wastewater treatment works or by Package treatment plants. The user must select one or the other, both options cannot be used.
- Step 2a: If the proposed development is to use **Wastewater Treatment Works** (**WwTW**), then the user should select 'Yes' from the drop down box. Following this, the user should select the WwTW that the development will connect to.

Step 2b: If the proposed development is to use **Package Treatment Plants (PTPs)**, then the user should select 'Yes' from the drop down box. Following this, the user should input the reduction efficiency of the package treatment plant. If the efficiency is unknown then the user should input a precautionary efficiency of 90%.

#### Stage 2

This stage calculates the phosphorous load from the current land use. Step 2: The user should input the area (hectares) of the current land uses that make up the total area of the development site. A GIS viewer can be used to identify the land uses on a coarse scale (https://gridreferencefinder.com/). However, if more detail is known about the site land uses then this should be manually inputted by the user.

#### Stage 3

This stage calculates the phosphorous load from the current land use.

Step 2: The user should input the proposed land uses that make up the total area of the development site. Any pre-determined on-site mitigation should also be inputted here.

Bespoke banking coefficients should be inputted for constructed wetland that can be evidenced

#### Stage 4

This stage provides a summary of the phosphorous loads calculated in stages 1-3 and presents the phosphorous budget for the proposed development.

A 20% precautionary buffer is included to account for uncertainties in the runoff coefficients used. The User has the option to change this buffer should this be appropriate.

#### Stage 5

This stage calculates the area and land uses of the mitigation site required for the proposed development to be phosphorous neutral, under current WwTW permit limits.

- Step 4: The user has the option to select the amount of phosphorous load to be offset by the various land uses, which will then calculate the relevant area of land (Hectares) that needs to be changed.
- Step 5: The user has the option to input the required area of land (hectares) to be mitigated until the project is phosphorous neutral, which will then calculate the equivalent phosphorous load for each land use.

The banking coefficients for wetlands uses a value of 8 kg/ha/yr for guidance purposes only. A site bespoke site-specific value will need to be calculated

#### Stage 6

This stage calculates the area and land uses of the mitigation site required for the proposed development to be phosphorous neutral, under AMP7 WwTW permit limits.

- Step 4: The user has the option to select the amount of phosphorous load to be offset by the various land uses, which will then calculate the relevant area of land (Hectares) that needs to be changed.
- Step 5: The user has the option to input the required area of land (hectares) to be mitigated until the project is phosphorous neutral, which will then calculate the equivalent phosphorous load for each land use.

#### Stage 7

This stage provides a summary in the differences in mitigation land use area between the current WwTW permit limits and the AMP7 WwTW permit limits

#### **Land Use Definitions**

The land uses presented in this tool followed the CORINE 2018 land use data. Definitions of key land uses are presented below:

Land Use	Description
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Urban	Development which encompasses the built form, gardens, pathing, roads, hardstanding's, parks and small areas of open space, ponds and SuDS. The phosphorous load results from sewer overflows and from drainage that picks up phosphorous on the urban land. Agricultural barns used for storage of materials, farming supplies and temporary livestock can be classified as Urban. However, barns used for a specific farming type (e.g. piggeries and chicken farms) should be classified under the relevant farming land use.
Mineral Workings and Quarries	An open or surface mineral working, usually for the extraction of building stone, as slate, limestone, etc.
Allotment and City farms	Wholly or mainly cultivated for the production of vegetable or fruit crops for consumption by the tenant or local community. In some cases the land will also be used for ornamental plants and the keeping of hens or bees.
Sports and Leisure facilities	Facilities used for recreational purposes such as managed sports pitches, athletic fields, gymnasiums, swimming pools etc.
Transport tracks and ways	Encompasses large infrastructure such as motorways and significant rail infrastructure. Small scale roads and tracks are covered under the Urban land use
Transport terminals	A large scale facility where passengers and freight are assembled or dispersed
Cereals	Holdings on which cereals, combinable crops and set-aside account for more than two thirds of the total standard output.
Dairy	Holdings on which dairy cows account for more than two thirds of their total standard output.
Cropping	Holdings on which arable crops (including field scale vegetables) account for more than two thirds of the total standard output, excluding holdings classified as cereals; holdings on which a mixture of arable and horticultural crops account for more than two thirds of their total SO excluding holdings classified as horticulture and holdings on which arable crops account for more than one third of their total standard output and no other grouping accounts for more than one third.
Horticulture	Holdings on which fruit (including vineyards), hardy nursery stock, glasshouse flowers and vegetables, market garden scale vegetables, outdoor blubs and flowers and mushrooms account for more than two thirds of their total standard output.
Pig Farming	Holdings on which pigs account for more than two thirds of their total standard output.
Lowland grazing / Paddock	Holdings on which cattle, sheep and other grazing livestock account for more than two thirds of their total standard output except holdings classified as diary. A holding is classified as lowland if less than 50% of its total area is in the Less Favoured Area (LFA). A paddock is classified as a small enclosures used for grazing horses.
Mixed livestock	Holdings for which none of the other categories account for more than two thirds of total standard output. This category includes mixed pigs and poultry farms as wells as farms with a mixture of crops and livestock (which neither accounts for more than two thirds of standard output.
Poultry farming	Holdings on which poultry account for more than two thirds of their total standard output.
General Arable	Use this option if unsure of the breakdown of arable land.
Improved grass	Land used for grazing (other than arable land) where over one third of the sward comprises, singly or in a mixture, ryegrass, cocksfoot or timothy, or land that has been improved by management practices such as liming and top dressing, where there is not a significant presence of sensitive plants species indicative of native unimproved grassland.
Unimproved grass	Land used for grazing or mowing which is not normally treated with mineral fertiliser or lime and contains a significant presence of sensitive plant species indicative of native unimproved grassland.
Open Space / Greenfield	Greenfield areas that have not been in agricultural use for at least 10 years and are not subject to unmanaged recreational use.
Woodland	Tree-covered areas which either arose naturally or as a result of plantations. This includes conifer
TTOGAIGITG	woodland, mixed woodlands and broad-leaved woodlands etc.
shrub / heathland / bracken / bog	woodland, mixed woodlands and broad-leaved woodlands etc.  Land that contains extensive areas of either shrubs, heath or bracken A bog refers to land that is a wetland area of muddy ground that can accumulate peat.
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#### **Wastewater Permit Limits**

Current WwTW permit limits Vs AMP7 WwTW permit limits

The Water industry is looking to update and bring in new final effluent phosphorous consent which should come in before 2025, as part of the Water Industry National Environment Programme (WINEP). The enhancements are required to meet more onerous environmental permit requirements. Many WwTW in Somerset do not currently have a permit limit. However, following plans by Wessex Water, a large number will operate to a new permit level under AMP7. Further information regarding AMP7 permit limits can be found in the following documents:

0501C Atkins Phosphorus removal technology review

Representation C3 WINEP - Phosphorus removal

Soil Drainage Criteria The drainage characteristics of soil has a control over the dominant flow pathways for pollutant losses and as such controls the loading of Phosphorous into surface water bodies. Therefore the runoff coefficients from various land uses are different in freely draining soil compared to impermeable soil. For impermeable soil under Arable land use, it is assumed that man made drainage systems would be in place, whereas rough grazing and woodland areas would not be drained. For free-draining soil, the majority of the flow would be to groundwater, and it is assumed that drainage would not be required. The user should use the Soilscapes tool (Cranfield soil and Agrifood insitute, 2020) to determine the dominant soil type on their site. Soilscapes can be found at http://www.landis.org.uk/soilscapes/index.cfm The following table is used to identify the dominant drainage type of the proposed development from the soil type identified above. The drainage type should then inform Stage 2 of the calculator

		Free draining	Impermeable		
Colour	ID	Name	Colour	ID	Name
	3	Shallow lime-rich soils over chalk or limestone		1	Saltmarsh soils
	4	Sand dune soils		2	Shallow very acid peaty soils over rock
	5	Freely draining lime-rich loamy soils		8	Slightly acid loamy and clayey soils with impeded drainage
	6	Freely draining slightly acid loamy soils		9	Lime-rich loamy and clayey soils with impeded drainage
	7	Freely draining slightly acid but base-rich soils		15	Naturally wet very acid sandy and loamy soils
	10	Freely draining slightly acid sandy soils		16	Very acid loamy upland soils with a wet peaty surface
	11	Freely draining sandy Breckland soils		17	Slowly permeable seasonally wet acid loamy and clayey soils
	12	Freely draining floodplain soils		18	Slowly permeable seasonally wet slightly acid but baserich loamy and clayey soils
	13	Freely draining acid loamy soils over rock		19	Slowly permeable wet very acid upland soils with a peaty surface
	14	Freely draining very acid sandy and loamy soils		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 opencast spoil
				25	Blanket bog peat soils
				26	Raised bog peat soils
				27	Fen peat soils
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Planning Applic	ation Reference No.	To be confirmed
Site address:	King Alfred Street BA16 0HB	
Site proposal:	Construction of 2 residual	dential dwellings
Date: 27/6/202		

# Stage 1 Calculate Total Phosphorous (TP) in (Kg/year) derived from the development as a result of increased population

Note: This calculation should only include the **additional** units resulting from the proposed development, including any development that will result in overnight accommodation. For land not currently in residential use, this will be the total units proposed by the development. However, for land already in residential use, this should only be the increase in units.

1.	Calculate the additional population	Value	Unit
	Number of units as flats, care-home, residential institution proposed		dwellings
	Average occupancy	1.65	persons/dwelling
	Number of houses proposed	2	dwellings
	Average occupancy	2.4	persons/dwelling
	Number of <b>additional</b> rooms above 6		
	residents (sui generis) for houses in		dwellings
	multiple occupation		
	Average occupancy	1.65	persons/dwelling
	Number of rooms in a hotel or guest		dwellings
	house proposed		a.vogo
	Average occupancy	1.65	persons/dwelling
	Number of weeks open per year (1-52)		Weeks
	Average occupancy rate (1-100)		%
	Total population increase generated by the development	5	Persons

Note: The national average occupancy rate of 2.4 persons per dwelling is used for in this model. The number of proposed units should be evidenced. In the case of hotel and guest house average occupancy rates should also be evidenced. Developments that do not fall within these classifications such contact the council and bespoke calculations may be used.

Please select how the sewage from the proposed development will be handled, noting that a development must be handled by either wastewater treatment plants or package treatment, and cannot be handled by both.

Is sewage to be handled by wastewater Yes vertreatment works?

Is sewage to be handled by Package Treatment plants?

No 🗸

# 2a. TP budget that would exit the Wastewater Treatment Works (WwTW) after treatment

Note: If the sewage is to be treated by wastewater treatment plants then the user should select "Yes" in the list above. If package treatment plants are to be used instead, then the user should select "No" above.

This is the process of collecting wastewater from houses and guiding it, via the sewage network, to WwTW (also known as sewage works). The Phosphorous concentration of the influent is calculated by multiplying the number of people by the expected water usage per day. The Phosphorous concentration within the effluent is calculated by applying the discharge level of the appropriate WwTW. The Phosphorous loading is expressed in kg/year.

Calculate the		
wastewater volume	Value	Unit
generated		
Total population increase generated by the development	5	Persons
Water use per	110	Litros/paraga/day
person	110	Litres/person/day

## 2b. TP budget for Package Treatment Plants (PTPs)

Note: If the sewage is to be treated by package treatment plants then the user should select "Yes" in the list above. If wastewater treatment plants are to be used instead, then the user should select "No" above.

Packaged wastewater treatment plants are pre-manufactured treatment facilities used to treat wastewater in smaller communities or on individual properties. This concept is defined as decentralized wastewater treatment. The Phosphorous influent is calculated by multiplying the number of people by the expected loading per person. The Phosphorous effluent is calculated by applying the PTP reduction efficiency. The Phosphorous loading is expressed in kg/year.

Calculate TP load prior to treatment	Value	Unit
Total population increase generated by the development	0	Persons
Average Phosphorous loading per person	0.99	Kg/person/year

Wastewater volume generated	528	Litres/day
by the development	520	Littles/day

Total Phosphorous prior to	0.00	Kg/year
treatment	0.00	rtg/year

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Confirm receiving WwTW and permit limit	Value	Unit	Calculate TP load after treatment	Value	Unit
Select the WwTW the development will connect to	Glastor <b>✓</b>		Receiving PTP reduction efficiency	0	%
			Total Phosphorous discharge after PTP treatment	0.00	Kg/year
WwTW discharge level	1.80	mg/L			
Note: Please use the drop down lists to s development will be connected to. If the V select 'Unknown' from the drop down list.			Note: The user mist input the reduction efficiency of the used must be evidenced. The evidence should include the lab (in English) and/ or measured effluent concentral applications. If the efficiency is unknown then a precautused.	the test resi ations from I	ult documents from real world
Calculate the TP discharged by the WwTW	Value	Unit	Calculate TP load from development wastewater with on-site PTP	Value	Unit
TP discharged by WwTW	950.4	mg/day	PTP Total Phosphorous	0.00	Kg/year
TP discharged by WwTW	0.0010	Kg/day			
Phosphorous loading from WwTW	0.35	Kg/year			

3. Calculate the additional population TP load Value Unit

Total Phosphorous load from additional population

0.35 Kg/year

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Stage 2 Calculate existing (pre-development) TP from current land use of the development					
Note: Where d Stages 2 and 3	evelopment sites include existing areas that are to be retained, these areas ca 3.	an be excluded from	the calculations in bo		
1. 7	otal area of development site	Value	Unit		
E	Enter the total area of the development site	0.052	Hectares		
2. l	dentify current land uses of the development site	Value	Unit		
l	dentify the drainage type of the soil on site				
ls	s the soil type free draining?	No 🗸			
	fy the soil drainage type from the Viewer, and use the criteria to permeable or impermeable	able in the Help	tab to identify if th		
	Urban development	0.052	Hectares		
	Mineral workings and quarries		Hectares		
	Open space / Greenfield		Hectares		
	Allotments and city farms		Hectares		
	Sports and leisure facilities		Hectares		
	Transport tracks and ways		Hectares		
	Transport terminals		Hectares		
	Cereals		Hectares		
	Dairy		Hectares		
	Cropping		Hectares		
	Horticulture		Hectares		
	Pig Farming		Hectares		
	Lowland Grazing / paddock		Hectares		
	Mixed livestock		Hectares		
	Poultry Farming		Hectares		
	General Arable		Hectares		
	Improved grass		Hectares		
	Unimproved grass		Hectares		
	Woodland (e.g. conifer, mixed, broad-leaved)		Hectares		
	shrub / heathland / bracken / bog		Hectares		
	freshwater marsh		Hectares		
	Meadow / semi natural grassland		Hectares		
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	Sum total of land uses	0.052	Hectares		
Note: The sum	total of land uses must equal the development site area - the box will colour r	red if the areas do no	ot match.		
3. (	Calculate TP from current land usage	Value	Unit		
-	P load from current land usage	0.04	Kg/year		

Stage 3	Calculate TP for the proposed development				
Note: This section should include all land uses within the proposed development. Where the proposed scheme is to create new wetlands woodlands, nature reserves, etc. within the development site area, then this should be included within this section. Any offsite mitigation, proposed by either the developer or the Council should not be included below, and should instead be inputted in Stage 5 (if mitigation is required).					
1.	Total area of development site	Value	Unit		
	Total area of the development site	0.052	Hectares		
2.	Identify proposed land uses of the development site	Value	Unit		
	Urban development	0.052	Hectares		
	Open Space / Greenfield		Hectares		
	Woodland		Hectares		
	Nature reserve		Hectares		
	Heathland / Bog		Hectares		
	Allotment		Hectares		
	Meadow/semi-natural grassland		Hectares		
	Sports and Leisure facilities		Hectares		
Wetland re	fers to specific wetland off a watercourse - for more information refer to the land use of Designed Wetlands / SuDS	definitions in the he	elp tab.		
	Wetland / SuDS area		Hectares		
	Banking coefficient		Kg/ha/year		
Note: Plea	se input the banking coefficient calculated for the designed wetland / SuDS. The calcu	ılated value should	l be justifiable.		
	Sum total of land uses	0.052	Hectares		
4.					
	Calculate TP from proposed land usage	Value	Unit		
	Calculate TP from proposed land usage TP load from proposed land usage	Value <b>0.04</b>	Unit Kg/year		

0.35

Kg/year

Gross TP load from current and proposed land usage

Note: this step is for illustrative purposes when iteratively creating mitigation land on-site

#### Stage 4 Calculate the net change in Phosphorous load from the proposed development

Note: This stage calculates the net change in total phosphorous load to the catchment from the proposed development. This is derived by calculating the difference between the total phosphorous load calculated for the proposed development (wastewater, urban area, open space etc.) and that for the existing land uses. The phosphorous budget for the site has been calculated under current and AMP7 WwTW permit levels.

		Current	AMP7		Summary No. of dwellings	2
1.	Identify the Phosphorous load from additional population	Value	Value	Unit	WwTW location	Glastonbury
	Phosphorous loading from additional population	0.35	0.35	Kg/year	Current permit limit AMP7 permit limit	1.8
2.	Calculate net change in Phosphorous load from land use change	Value	Value	Unit	TP current land use	0.04
	Phosphorous load from land use change	0.00	0.00	Kg/year	TP proposed land use	0.04
3.	Calculate phosphorous budget for the development site	Value	Value	Unit		
	Phosphorous budget for the site	0.35	0.35	Kg/year		
4.	Calculate phosphorous budget precautionary buffer	Value	Value	Unit		
	Buffer amount Phosphorous precautionary buffer	20 <b>0.07</b>	20 <b>0.07</b>	% Kg/year		

Note: The figures used throughout this model are based on scientific research, evidence and modelled catchments and represent the best available evidence. However, it is important that a precautionary buffer is used that recognises the uncertainty with these figures and ensures, with reasonable certainty, that there will be no adverse effect on site integrity. As such, a 20% precautionary buffer is built into the calculation.

5.	Total phosphorous budget for the development site	Value	Value	Unit
	Total Phosphorous budget for the site	0.42	0.42	Kg/year

#### **Current WwTW Permit levels**

Development will generate additional Phosphorous (Mitigation required) - Please progress to Stage 5

#### **AMP7 WwTW Permit levels**

Development will generate additional Phosphorous (Mitigation required) - Please progress to Stage 6

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# mitigation land runoff coefficient

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	Open Space / Greenfield	-2.973	Hectares		
	Nature reserve	-20.814	Hectares		
	Woodland	-20.814	Hectares		
	Heathland / Bog	-20.814	Hectares		
Me	adow/semi-natural grassland	-2.081	Hectares		
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	Open Space / Greenfield		kg/year	0	Hectares
	Nature reserve		kg/year	0	Hectares
	Woodland		kg/year	0	Hectares
	Heathland / Bog		kg/year	0	Hectares
Ме	adow/semi-natural grassland		kg/year	0	Hectares
	Sum total area needed to be created	0.42	Kg/year	0.000	Hectares
Note: This section allows the user to input the required total phosphorous to be offset for the various land uses, with the equivalent area that would be required to be created. If the mitigation is to be implemented on-site then the actual area of mitigation land may differ from the value quoted due to the relative reduction in other land uses on-site. Therefore, for on-site mitigation these areas should be used a guide and but back into Stage 3 iteratively until the project is Phosphorous neutral.					
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	Nature reserve		hectares	0.00	kg/year
	Woodland		hectares	0.00	kg/year
	Heathland / Bog		hectares	0.00	kg/year
Me	adow/semi-natural grassland		hectares	0.00	kg/year
	Sum total area needed to	0.000	hectares	0.42	Kg/year

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Stage 7 Difference in mitigation land uses between current WwTW permit limits and AMP7 WwTW permit limits

1.	Total Area of proposed mitigatior land uses	n Current WwTW	AMP7 WwTW	Difference	
		Value	Value	Value	Units
	Constructed wetland	0.000	0.000	0.000	Hectares
	Open Space / SANG (<0.5 ha)	0.000	0.000	0.000	Hectares
	Nature reserve	0.000	0.000	0.000	Hectares
	Woodland	0.000	0.000	0.000	Hectares
	Heathland / Bog	0.000	0.000	0.000	Hectares
	Meadow/semi-natural grassland	0.000	0.000	0.000	Hectares
	Sum total area needed to be created	0.000	0.000	0.000	Hectares

Note: This section demonstrates to the user the amount of mitigation land that is no longer required for the project to be 'Phosphorous Neutral' following



# Progress on a Somerset Phosphates Strategy Last updated 26<sup>th</sup> May 2022

The five Somerset Local Planning Authorities appointed Royal Haskoning DHV (RH) in March 2021. RH were tasked to develop a Somerset nutrient calculator and review solutions leading to a Mitigation Strategy. Progress on the various aspects of the Strategy and use in Mendip is set out below and will be updated.

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Description	Progress
Area at risk subject to phosphate mitigation Review of initial risk map with evidence from Wessex Water, Environment Agency (EA) and Internal Drainage Boards.	Update published on 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2022 These areas have been confirmed by Natural England. Note – there are also parts of Mendip outside the area of risk but which have sewer connections within the area of risk.
Phosphate Mitigation Solutions Report	Report published 16th March 2022
Report reviewing <u>available solutions</u> including 'interim' measures and permanent mitigation for phosphate removal. Included feedback from stakeholder events held during August 2021.	Nopole publication 10 march 2022
Somerset Phosphate Calculator	Published in Feb 2021 with revisions in
This tool provides a calculation of net phosphate loading from developments. It includes phosphate offsetting calculations for on and off site locations. Use of the calculator has been agreed with Natural England.  A national policy statement on nutrients and revised advice from Natural England was published on 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2022. This includes the release of a national Nutrient Neutrality methodology and local catchment calculators. The calculator is likely to be updated to reflect the national approach.  Natural England have confirmed that the Royal Haskoning Somerset calculator should continue to be used. No decision has been made on when the revised calculator will come into effect	Summer 2022 RH will undertake further work on the calculator including - reviewing national calculator and differences in approach and assumptions Discussions with NE on use of local evidence - advice on when a when a revised calculator may come into effect.
Strategic solutions/ Somerset credit scheme	2022/2023
Developer / Technical Guidance	DEFRA announced £100,000 in funding to planning authorities to support mitigation in Somerset. Officers are now considering how this can be used to develop action plans and further a strategic solution such as credit scheme for phosphates.  Autumn 2022
Standard Guidance to assist applicants in making applications.	Guidance for particular types of development is under discussion. Officers will review timelines in light of the latest NE advice. National NE guidance will be published when available – e.g. on wetland creation/ small schemes and use of package treatment plants

Types of development and applications subject to Habitats Regulations Assessment	Updates Ongoing LPAs. Somerset Ecology and Natural England have a working list of development types which require mitigation. However, some applications will always need case-specific review. There are regular joint meetings to agree a common approach to affected applications across Somerset and to review legal advice etc.
Validation Requirements for Major Schemes in the Area of Risk within Mendip	Published and in effect Nov 2021 High level mitigation details will need to be submitted to validate applications See Website guidance on requirements.