

## **Southern Water consultation response**

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Strategic Growth Policy Q19 - I neither agree nor disagree with this approach

Enviro Policy Q73- Climate Change

Climate Change Q80- I agree with this approach

Southern Water is the +O3:EW4 statutory water undertaker for the western half of Fareham Borough and as such supports clause (d) of this policy which seeks to adopt higher water efficiency standards. Higher standards of water efficiency in new development can support greater long term sustainability, with the potential to delay or reduce the need to increase abstraction or find new sources of water supply, which in turn can help to reduce impacts on the environment. In doing so, this also meets the requirement of paragraph 149 of the NPPF for local plans to seek to mitigate and adapt to climate change and its long term implications for water supply.