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Dear Ms Morgan

**MATTERS 8JI, 8JII & 8JIII, WESTERN CORRIDOR AND BLACKWATER VALLEY  
SUB-REGION - SUBMISSION OF PHASE 1 BASINGSTOKE WATER CYCLE STUDY**

On behalf of the Water Cycle Study Steering Group, I am pleased to submit to the Panel the Basingstoke Water Cycle Study – Phase 1 Report.

The Steering Group comprises representatives of the following organisations:

- Basingstoke & Deane Borough Council
- The Environment Agency
- Hampshire County Council
- Thames Water
- Southern Water
- Natural England
- South East Water

The Report comprises the following documents:

- Basingstoke Water Cycle Study – Phase 1 Non-technical Summary
- Basingstoke Water Cycle Study – Phase 1 Technical Report
- Basingstoke Water Cycle Study – Phase 1 Appendix 1 – Ecological Appraisal

The aims of the study are:

- to better define the water supply and treatment uncertainties
- to make an initial assessment of the flood risks posed by the proposed new developments
- to identify possible solutions to enable sustainable development in Basingstoke and Deane up to 2026.

The overall aim is to produce an integrated, sustainable water cycle strategy for Basingstoke and Deane.

Phase 1 of the study is now complete. This phase assessed the strategic capacity to accommodate development in Basingstoke. Phase 2 of the study and a strategic flood risk assessment are required to before firm conclusions can be made regarding the level of new development that can be accommodated in Basingstoke and Deane, and how and where this could be achieved.

Please note that, while the report is being submitted on behalf of the Study Steering Group, individual member organisations may wish to comment on certain parts of it.

**If you require further information please contact Max Baker by phone on (01256) 845450 or by emailing [max.baker@basingstoke.gov.uk](mailto:max.baker@basingstoke.gov.uk).**

Yours sincerely

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