Design and Construction Guidance for foul and surface water sewers offered for adoption under the Code for adoption agreements for water and sewerage companies operating wholly or mainly in England ("the Code")

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PART A – GENERAL
INTRODUCTION

1. This guidance is for use by developers when planning, designing and constructing foul and surface water drainage systems (including pumping stations and rising mains) intended for adoption under an agreement made in accordance with Section 104 of the Water Industry Act 1991. It should be read in conjunction with the sewerage Sector Guidance published by the sewerage undertakers pursuant to the Code for adoption agreements for water and sewerage companies operating wholly or mainly in England (“the Code”), referred to in this document as the Sector Guidance.

2. Any reference to an Act of Parliament or other statutory provision shall include reference to any amendment, consolidation, modification, extension, re-enactment or replacement of that Act or provision.

3. At various places in this document, guidance is given on some of the legal terms used. This is without prejudice, as the true meaning of these terms can only be established by the courts.

APPLICATION

1. Section 104 of the Water Industry Act 1991 (WIA) only applies to the adoption of assets predominantly used for drainage from buildings or paved areas belonging to buildings. Water companies do not have a statutory duty to adopt or maintain assets where the main purpose of which is to deal with drainage of streets (see A8), land drainage runoff, or flows from watercourses or groundwater (see A9).

2. Where the proposal includes significant technical challenges (e.g., a bespoke in-situ reinforced concrete structure or a novel design), specialist technical vetting may be necessary by the water company. Vetting may also be required by the highway authority if it is to be located in a future adoptable highway. In these cases, the designer is advised to consult with the water company at the earliest opportunity.

3. This document covers new sewers and lateral drains which are being offered for adoption under S104 and should not be used as a definitive design manual for other sewerage-related construction such as rehabilitation, etc. In these cases, the appropriate industry reports, recommendations, guides, etc., should be used.

4. If pumping stations include any pump unit rated over 30 kW, different specifications may apply and detailed discussions should be held with the water company at an early stage (see A2.11).

5. The successful design requires the designer to liaise with a variety of stakeholders from the earliest stages in the design of the development. Further details are given below.

6. A list of minimum requirements of information to support your application is set out in Appendix D of the Sector Guidance.

7. This document applies only to water companies operating wholly or mainly in England.
8. Compliance with this document is mandatory except in areas identified as being permitted Local Practices. See Section [2.6] of the Sector Guidance.

9. The developer may decide how much of the system is offered for adoption under the section 104 agreement, provided that the adopted system is a continuous network to an effective discharge point.

10. The local authority as planning authority has a role in approving the design of any surface water system. In this role, they are required to consult with others, including the lead local flood authority (LLFA) and, in some circumstances, the Environment Agency and any internal drainage board. The local authority is also required to clarify the long-term maintenance arrangements for the system. Further details of this can be found in C1.

A3 STRUCTURE OF THIS GUIDANCE

- **Part A** gives the scope of the document, definitions and other general guidance.
- **Part B** gives guidance for the design and construction of new gravity foul sewers and lateral drains.
- **Part C** gives guidance for the design and construction of new surface water drainage systems.
- **Part D** gives the industry recommendations for the design and construction of new pumping stations and rising mains.
- **Part E** gives the Civil Engineering Specification.
- **Part F** gives the Mechanical and Electrical Specification for pumping stations.

A4 DRAINAGE STRATEGY

1. Developers should engage early with the local authority (both the local planning authority (LPA) and the lead local flood authority (LLFA)) and the water company to agree a drainage strategy and maintenance plan (for any size development, i.e., major and minor) prior to making any planning or S104 Application. Where the local authority is required to consult with other bodies (see A2.11), these bodies should also be consulted.

2. Surface water drainage proposals should fully explore the surface water hierarchy (see C3.12) and provide evidence to support alignment with national and local flood risk strategies and policies before connection to a sewer is considered. If connection to a sewer is required for surface water, water companies will expect that upon making a S104 Application to adopt a sewer system, a developer will be able to present robust evidence discounting the discharge of surface water to ground via infiltration or to a watercourse for all or part of the site and that this evidence has been reviewed by the LLFA and accepted by the LPA.

3. Where sewers proposed for adoption discharge into a watercourse, developers should consult with the relevant parties (see A7) regarding permission to discharge. Copies of any information submitted to these parties, and any design considerations required to meet their requirements, should be included with the S104 Application.
4. In some cases, temporary high-water levels in a groundwater body, watercourse or other surface water body can restrict the discharge of surface water from the adopted system. The design should take into account the likely frequency and duration of these conditions.

5. A successful drainage strategy should include considerations of future maintenance. Only certain types of SuDS components are sewers and are therefore adoptable. Early consultation with the water company is recommended. Where SuDS components are used that are not sewers and therefore are not adoptable by water companies, the water companies would strongly encourage the adoption of those components by other bodies that will ensure that they are maintained in perpetuity. The designer should also consider the interaction of the components and any cross-linked maintenance requirements.

A5 DESIGN PRINCIPLES

1. Drainage design should be undertaken holistically with other aspects of design (e.g., the site's topography, geology, street layout, the location of any public open space, soil remediation and ecological considerations) in an integrated manner. It should, therefore, be considered at the early stages of design. For larger developments, this should be considered as part of the master planning phase.

2. During extreme weather, if the capacity of the drainage infrastructure becomes overloaded, water will flow across the surface of the site. In a holistic design, the layout of the whole development should take account of the potential risk of flooding to surrounding areas, not just the drainage layouts, and the effect of any overland flows from adjacent sites. The design should work with the contours of the land to manage exceedance flows safely.


4. Developers are reminded of their duty to appoint a principal designer in accordance with the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015. The principal designer is responsible for all the duties described in the Regulations.

5. The Regulations also require the principal designer to take into account (in addition to construction risks) the health and safety aspects over the whole life of the development. The developer's S104 Application must, therefore, include a management and maintenance plan (in addition to the health and safety file) to demonstrate that the designer has taken the health and safety considerations of future maintenance into account in preparing the design.

6. A management and maintenance plan should include the following items:

   a) the type of maintenance activities that are anticipated;
   b) the anticipated frequencies of those activities;
   c) the estimated duration of those activities;
d) any large plant and equipment required to undertake those activities economically;

e) the estimated costs to complete those activities;

f) a site plan showing maintenance areas, access routes and the locations where maintenance activities are anticipated and

g) a statement describing any secondary function (e.g., recreation area) above or within the SuDS component, and details describing how this function is to be managed and by whom.

7. Further details of the required contents of the health and safety file can be found in Appendix I.

8. The principal designer is reminded that any part of the drainage system could be considered to be a workplace, in accordance with the Regulations.

A6  DEFINITIONS

In this guidance:

1. "access point" means provision to access a sewer or drain for testing, inspection, maintenance and removal of debris, and includes any manhole or inspection chamber.

2. "adoption" in general terms means the process whereby assets are vested in the water company or another body and subsequently maintained by that body at its expense.

3. "Code" means the Code for adoption agreements for water and sewerage companies operating wholly or mainly in England, published by Ofwat in August 2018, as that document is amended from time to time.

4. "curtilage" means the area of land around a building, or group of buildings, which is for the private use of the occupants of the buildings.

Its meaning has been explored in case law, for example:

a) detached, semi-detached and terraced houses can each be considered as a separate curtilage;

b) where a building contains a number of flats, the whole block of flats can be considered to be a single curtilage;

c) separate commercial properties sited on land privately-owned by a single body (e.g., a shopping centre, airport terminal, retail park, etc.) can be considered as a single curtilage if the commercial properties share the site access and facilities.

5. "demarcation chamber" means an inspection chamber placed near the boundary of the property at the upstream end of the lateral drain.

6. "developer" means a Developer as defined in the Code.

7. "drain" means a drain used for the drainage of one building or of any buildings or yards appurtenant to buildings within the same curtilage (see Water Industry Act 1991 Section 219).
8. "effective discharge point" means point of discharge which has been specifically designed to discharge the foul sewage or surface water, and for which there is a legal right to discharge. This can be to another sewer or (provided that there is a legal right to discharge) to a natural watercourse, an area of land or an infiltration drainage component (see A7).

9. "freeboard" means the distance between the design water level and the top of a structure, provided as a precautionary safety measure against early system failure.

10. "inspection chamber" means a chamber on a drain or sewer with working space at ground level only, used to introduce equipment for testing, inspection and maintenance.

11. "lateral drain" means that part of the drain which is between the point of demarcation (e.g., demarcation chamber), or the boundary of the property it serves, and the sewer.

Guidance on whether pipes are lateral drains can be found ‘Guide to Transfer of Private Sewers Regulations 2011’ and this is also provides guidance on whether pipes are potentially sewers or lateral drains.

12. "local authority" includes an authority acting in any capacity this can include a local planning authority (LPA) and lead local flood authority (LLFA). Further information on the relevant roles of local authorities can be found in Part C.

13. "manhole" means a chamber with working space at drain/sewer level used for entry of personnel and equipment.

14. "pavement" means a paved construction (including a yard or highway) and any underlying structure.

15. "pavement structure" comprises the sub-base and any membrane below it, together with the layers above, including, base course, surface course, binder course, laying course or paving layer.

16. "public sewer" means a sewer for the time being vested in a water company in its capacity as sewerage undertaker (see Water Industry Act 1991 Section 219).

17. "raised reservoir" means a reservoir designed to hold, or capable of holding, water above the natural level of any part of the land adjoining the reservoir (see Reservoirs Act 1975 Section 1).

18. "rising main" means a sewer through which foul sewage and/or surface water is pumped.

19. "sewer" includes all sewers and drains (not being drains within the meaning above) which are used for the drainage of buildings and yards appurtenant to buildings in more than one curtilage (see A6.4) (see Water Industry Act 1991 Section 219).

Guidance on whether pipes are sewers can be found in a ‘Guide to Transfer of Private Sewers Regulations 2011’ and this is also applicable to determine whether SuDS components are potentially sewers or lateral drains (see A6.11).
20. "Sewerage Sector Guidance" means the document so entitled which is approved by Ofwat under the Code.

21. "street" means the whole or any part of any of the following, irrespective of whether it is a thoroughfare:

   a) any highway, road, lane, footway, alley or passage;
   b) any square or court; and
   c) any land laid out as a way whether it is for the time being formed as a way or not.

Where a street passes over a bridge or through a tunnel, the street includes that bridge or tunnel (see New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 Section 48).

22. "surface component" means a component of a surface water drainage system that is not buried underground.

23. "vesting" means the formal transfer of ownership and responsibility of sewers from the developer to the water company or other body.

24. "water company" means a sewerage undertaker appointed under the Water Industry Act 1991 and includes any agent appointed to act on its behalf.

25. "works" means the prospectively adoptable drainage systems described in the Section 104 Agreement.

26. "yard" means a paved area including a driveway, patio, hard standing or footpath.

**A7   STATUTORY CONSENTS AND OTHER PERMISSIONS**

1. The developer should, in liaison with the water company, obtain all necessary statutory consents and other permissions before the agreement is signed. Relevant bodies can include:

   a) consent of the pollution control authority (the Environment Agency in England) for emergency overflows and contaminated waters;
   b) permission of the navigation authority (usually the Canal and River Trust) to discharge to waters under their control;
   c) permission of riparian owners will be required to discharge to a watercourse;
   d) landowner’s permission to discharge water onto land;
   e) landowner’s permission for construction of any part of the drainage system on third-party land;
   f) the Crown, Network Rail, airport authorities, or MOD, etc., where special permission may be required for land owned by them;
   g) the land drainage authority (Environment Agency, for main rivers, local land drainage authorities for non-main rivers) for consent for the construction of outfalls or works within close proximity to a watercourse;
   h) English Nature where any of the works will affect an environmentally-designated site (e.g., SSSI) or could affect protected species;
i) the planning approval for the site from the Local Planning Authority.

2. Throughout any pre-application discussions (see Appendix D of the Sector Guidance), the developer should be able to show progress in discussions with the relevant bodies and before formally making the S104 Application they should be able to show evidence that any conditions will not affect the design of the system.

3. Individual water company requirements for easements for surface water discharges to watercourse, bodies of water, sewers within third party land and sewers which may form part of another feature are permitted as ‘Local Practices’ under the Sector Guidance. Details of these requirements are published on water company websites.

A8 DRAINAGE OF STREETS

1. The water company is not obliged to accept runoff from newly-constructed streets into the public sewer system. The developer should note that acceptance of this runoff into the works and, ultimately, the public sewer system, is only by agreement, which will not be unreasonably withheld.

2. Where the developer wishes to connect drainage from streets to a surface water sewer or a combined sewer, they should discuss this with the water company as early as possible as the specific consent of the water company will be required in advance. The connection of drainage from streets to a foul sewer will not be permitted.

3. The connection of runoff from publicly-adoptable highways to a public sewer is regulated by the Water Industry Act 1991 Section 115. Some water companies may have a separate formal agreement for such discharges. This agreement is formally between the highway authority and the water company but, prior to adoption of the highway, the developer as owner is party to the agreement. Section 115 also deals with connections of surface water to a highway drainage system.

4. It is particularly important to have an agreement in place which confirms the area of highway being drained to the public sewer, especially where there are issues regarding capacity, connection to a combined sewer or where only highway drainage is to be connected to the public sewer.

A9 LAND DRAINAGE

1. Water companies have no duty to accept land drainage runoff, flows from natural watercourses or groundwater to the public sewer system, and this is not normally permitted.

A10 CONTROL OF POLLUTION DURING CONSTRUCTION AND PRIOR TO ADOPTION

1. The developer should maintain the integrity of separate surface water sewer systems and is responsible for any blockages, pumping station breakdown, cross-connections, etc., and any impact (e.g., flooding or pollution, etc.) up to the time the sewers are adopted.

2. The developer should include in their S104 Application a plan for approval by the water company to demonstrate how sediment and other debris will be managed to avoid any sediment or debris being discharged into the proposed drainage system, any public sewer or a surface water body. The
developer should comply with this plan at all times during construction and during any maintenance carried out prior to adoption.

**A11 EXISTING PUBLIC SEWER AND LATERAL DRAINS WITHIN THE SITE**

1. The developer should note that there could be existing public sewers and lateral drains within the site. Due to their nature, historic mapping of these features, particularly former private sewers transferred under Water Industry Act 1991 Section 105A, may not be available and the developer is encouraged to investigate the location and interconnection of any existing drainage assets on site.

2. Where the developer proposes to construct buildings over or near existing public sewers or lateral drains, they should consult the water company at the earliest opportunity. In some cases, the sewer or lateral drain may need to be diverted.

3. As soon as a diversion of an existing public sewer is envisaged as part of the development, the developer should contact the water company to agree if the diversion is feasible. A separate application may be required under Section 185 of the Water Industry Act 1991. It should be noted that since the private sewers transfer, many sewers that were previously private are now public sewers.

4. Where the developer wishes the water company to abandon existing public sewers and lateral drains within their site in accordance with Section 116 of the Water Industry Act 1991, they should contact the water company to agree the required arrangements.

5. Where any works are to be carried out in proximity to existing sewers or lateral drains, appropriate protection methods and mitigation plans should be agreed with the water company to protect the assets. These details should also be retained within the health and safety documents.
PART B – DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF NEW FOUL SEWERS AND LATERAL DRAINS
B1 SCOPE

1. This Part gives guidance on the design and construction of gravity, foul and lateral drains, and sewers. For guidance on surface water sewer systems see Part C, and for guidance on sewage pumping stations see Part D.

B2 SEPARATE SYSTEMS

1. Separate foul and surface water systems should be provided.

2. If sewers are to discharge into an existing combined (single pipe) sewer system, the separate foul and surface water sewers should be combined at locations immediately upstream of the point where they discharge into the existing combined sewer system. The levels should be arranged to minimise the risk of foul sewage entering into the surface water system.

3. Natural watercourses, land drainage and groundwater are not permitted to be directly or indirectly connected to the public foul sewer system (see A9).

B3 HYDRAULIC DESIGN

B3.1 Foul Sewers and Lateral Drains

1. The peak design flow rates for dwellings should, at the discretion of the designer, be either:
   
   a) calculated in accordance with BS EN 12056-2 System II (this method is recommended for this application in BS EN 16933-2); or
   
   b) 4000 litres per dwelling per day (0.05 litres per second per dwelling). Note: This is a design peak flow rate not a daily average water usage, and represents the peak flow rate from a number of appliances. Reducing daily water usage does not necessarily reduce the peak flow rate.

2. Design flows for industrial and commercial developments can contain two elements: domestic flows (flows from toilets and kitchens, etc.) and trade effluent flow (wastewater from industrial processes\(^1\)). The total peak design flow is the sum of the domestic design flow and the trade effluent design flow.
   
   a) The domestic design flow should be calculated in accordance with BS EN 12056-2System II (see also BS EN 16933-2) or, in the absence of appropriate information, 0.6 litres per second per hectare of developable land;
   
   b) The trade effluent design flow should be based on a metered discharge from premises similar to that proposed, or assumed as 0.5 litres per second per hectare for normal industry and 1 litre per second per hectare for wet industry. Where the proportion of wet industry is unknown, an average flow of 0.7 litres per second per hectare should be used.

3. The Colebrook-White hydraulic roughness value \(k_s\) for foul gravity sewer design should be 1.5 mm for all sewer material types.

\(^1\) Developers are reminded that the occupier of the building will be required to make a separate application to discharge any trade effluent flows.
4. Foul sewers and lateral drains should be designed to run at no more than 75% of pipe full conditions.

5. The minimum pipe sizes specified in B6 may provide more capacity than the peak flow rates determined from B3.1 or B3.2.

### B3.2 Protection Against Flooding

1. In designing the site sewerage and layout, developers should also demonstrate flow paths and the potential effects of flooding resulting from blockages, pumping station failure or surcharging in downstream combined sewers, by checking the ground levels around the likely points that flow would flood from the system to identify the flood routes.

### B4 LAYOUT PRINCIPLES

1. The layout of the development can affect the existing drainage patterns and flood risk. The layout of the development, including landscaping and vegetation, should take account of the impact it may have on the layout of drains and sewers. (see B5.1). This should be addressed at the master planning stage.

2. Sewers and lateral drains should be laid in straight lines in both the vertical alignment (profile) and horizontal alignment (plan) unless agreed with the water company.

3. The layout should ensure that sufficient access points are located so that they are accessible and apparent to the water company at all times to provide access to every sewer and lateral drain (see B5.2).

4. Sewers and lateral drains should be located so that if there is a structural failure of the drain, sewer or rising main, or an excavation is carried out to repair the drain, sewer or rising main, the integrity of adjacent buildings or other infrastructure is not impaired. (see B5.1.3 to B5.1.6 and B5.1.8 to B5.1.9).

### B5 LAYOUT AND ACCESS

#### B5.1 Layout

1. As far as practicable, sewers and lateral drains should be laid in highways or public open space where they are reasonably accessible and visible. Sewers should not be laid in enclosed private land. Where this is not practicable, sewers and lateral drains with a nominal internal diameter of 150 mm or less may be laid:

   a) in shared rear yards or parking areas or other shared areas to which all the properties served by the sewers have right of access; or where this is not reasonably practicable
   
   b) where the drain or sewer serves ten properties or less, in unfenced gardens; or where this is not reasonably practicable
   
   c) in fenced private areas provided that the sewer is kept as far as is practicable from any point on a building where a future extension is likely.

2. Access points on sewers and lateral drains should not be laid in enclosed private land. Where this is not practicable, access points of sewers and lateral drains may be constructed:
a) in shared rear yards or parking areas, provided there is free access at all times;
b) in enclosed shared private areas provided that all those properties served by the sewers have right of access to the area at all times. Access control systems should include provision for access by the water company;
c) where the drain or sewer serves ten properties or less, in unfenced gardens; or
d) on sewers serving no more than two properties, provided that access is also possible from the other property by another access point.

3. The external face of any new sewer or lateral drain should be at least 1.2 m from any building or structure (e.g., a wall), or a distance equivalent to the depth of the sewer below the foundation, whichever is greater; except that a sewer or lateral drain with a nominal internal diameter of 150 mm or less, with an invert level at least 150 mm above the base of the foundation and no more than 1100 mm deep, and should be greater than 100 mm from the foundations (see Figure B 1).

4. Where it is not possible to comply with B5.1.3 because another building/structure is in such close proximity that there are no permitted locations, new sewers or lateral drains may be located between buildings or structures provided that:
   a) there is at least 900 mm separating the buildings or structures where a single sewer or lateral drain is proposed and 1100 mm where dual systems are proposed;
   b) the depth of the invert of the sewer or lateral drain below the ground level is no greater than the distance between the buildings or structures;
   c) the sewers or lateral drains have a nominal internal diameter of 150 mm or less;
   d) the sewers or lateral drains have an invert level at least 150 mm above the base of the highest of the foundations of the two buildings;
   e) there is at least 350 mm cover above the pipe; and
   f) there is at least 100 mm between the pipe wall and the foundations (see Figure B 2).

5. For the purposes of B5.1.3 and B5.1.4, the foundation level of the building or structure with piled foundations should be taken as:
   a) for friction piles (or piles with a combination of friction and end bearing), from the underside of the capping beam; or
   b) for end bearing piles (with no allowance for side friction), the base of the pile.

Note: In B5.1.1, B5.1.3 and B5.1.4, the recommendations are intended to allow sufficient working space for hand excavation in proximity to the building or structure if repair is necessary in the future.

6. Foul sewers and lateral drains should not be constructed under any building, or any structure except that they may cross under a boundary wall not greater than 1.8 m high (see B7.4).

7. The minimum depth of cover to the crown of gravity pipes without protection should be as follows:
   a) domestic gardens and pathways without any possibility of vehicular access, 0.35 m;
   b) domestic driveways, parking areas and yards with height restrictions to prevent entry by vehicles with a gross vehicle weight in excess of 7.5 tonnes, 0.5 m;
c) domestic driveways, parking areas and narrow streets without footways (e.g., mews developments) with limited access for vehicles with a gross vehicle weight in excess of 7.5 tonnes, 0.9 m;

d) agricultural land and public open space, 0.9 m;

e) other highways and parking areas with unrestricted access to vehicles with a gross vehicle weight in excess of 7.5 tonnes, 1.2 m.

8. Sewers and lateral drains may be laid through arches and other external openings through buildings or structures provided that they are laid as near to the centre of the opening as possible and:

   a) for vehicular entries with a minimum width of 4.0 m and minimum height of arch above ground level of 2.1 m, the maximum nominal internal diameter of the pipe should be 225 mm with a maximum depth to invert of the pipe of 2.0 m and the invert should be at least 150 mm above the foundation level; or

   b) for pedestrian access with a minimum width of 0.9 m and minimum height of 2.0 m, the maximum nominal internal diameter of the pipe should be 100 mm and should comply with B5.1.4.

9. Sewers or lateral drains may pass through an opening in a property boundary wall provided that there is an arch or lintelled opening to give at least 50 mm space around the pipe (see B5.1.6).
Figure B 1
Illustration of the permitted locations of adoptable sewers and lateral drains in proximity to buildings

Not to scale
Figure B 2
Illustration of the permitted location of small diameter adoptable sewers and lateral drains between buildings

Not to scale
10. The design of landscaping should be undertaken at the same time as the design of the lateral drains and sewers so that the impact of tree roots on sewers and drains can be considered. A sewer or lateral drain should not be located closer to trees/bushes/shrubs than the canopy width at mature height, except where special protection measures are provided, in accordance with B7.6. A tree should not be planted directly over sewers or where excavation onto the sewer would require removal of the tree. The following shallow rooting shrubs are generally suitable for planting close to sewers and lateral drains:

- *Berberis candidula*; (paleleaf barberry)
- *Berberis julianae*; (wintergreen barberry)
- *Ceanothus burkwoodii*; (California lilac ‘Burkwoodii’)
- *Cotoneaster dammeri*; (bearberry cotoneaster)
- *Cotoneaster skogholm*; (Cotoneaster x suecicus, ‘Skogholm’)
- *Cytisus* varieties or *Sarothamnus*; (common or Scotch broom)
- *Euonymus japonicus*; (Japanese spindle)
- *Euonymus radicans*; Variety of *Euonymus* (fortune’s spindle or winter creeper)
- *Mahonia* varieties; can be included in the genus *Berberis*, most common name is M. *aquifolium* (Oregon grape)
- *Potentilla* varieties; most varieties are types of cinquefoil. Also includes common tormentil, silverweed and barren strawberry
- *Skimmia japonica*; (Skimmia)
- *Spiraea japonica*; (Japanese spirea or Japanese meadowsweet)
- *Veronica* varieties; (Speedwell)
- *Viburnum davidii*; (David viburnum)
- *Viburnum tinus*; (Lauristinus)

11. To minimise the risk of root damage, tree planting should provide good growing conditions. Guidance can be found in ‘Trees in Hard Landscapes: A Guide for Delivery’.

12. When constructed along the line of a highway, the sewer should be laid in the carriageway and, where practicable, at least 1m from the kerbline. The external faces of manholes (including any concrete surround) should be at least 0.5 m from the kerbline. This is to allow any subsequent excavation for a new connection or a repair to be made without interfering with other services sited in the footway.

13. Where it is proposed to lay pipes in third-party land, agreement should be obtained from the owner of the land surface as to acceptable levels of predicted settlement, prior to the construction. The construction techniques should be selected to ensure that the maximum settlement is within the agreed limits.

14. Where foul sewers are laid under some types of SuDS components (e.g., a swale or a rill), this can require decommissioning and reconstruction of the SuDS component if excavation is required to repair the foul sewer. The layout of both foul sewers and surface water drainage should minimise the length of foul sewer under SuDS components, for example, by ensuring that any crossings are at as near as
possible to a right angle and are positioned under narrow SuDS components. Foul sewers should not be laid under infiltration components. If necessary a short section of an infiltration component may be modified so that the foul sewer passes through a section where no infiltration takes place.

15. BS EN 752 provides further detail on the design of sewer systems including layout.

**B5.2 Access**

1. Access points, should be located so that they are accessible and apparent to the water company at all times for use. They should avoid rear gardens or enclosed locations. Additional access points may be provided in other locations, as long as access is provided to the system from other access points, in accordance with the recommendations in B5.2.2 to B5.2.30.

2. Access points, and any inlets to drains or sewers, should be located so as to minimise the risk of damage to buildings or other critical infrastructure in the event of sewer flooding.

3. Access points and sewers should be sited with due regard to public utility services. An access point should be built:

   a) at every change of alignment or gradient (though this does not exclude the use of a backdrop at a manhole in accordance with B5.2.27);
   b) at the head of all branches;
   c) at every junction of two or more public sewers;
   d) wherever there is a change in the size of the sewer;
   e) at every junction of a public sewer with another sewer serving three or more properties; or
   f) at or within 1 m of the property boundary at the upstream end of each lateral drain (preferably inside the property boundary).

4. Manholes should be provided as the means of access to a pipe where:

   a) the depth from cover level to soffit is greater than 2 m; or
   b) where the diameter of the largest sewer is greater than or equal to 450 mm DN/ID;
   c) where the chamber contains equipment (e.g., penstock or flow control device) that will require maintenance; or
   d) where the chamber serves more than ten properties.

In other locations specified in B5.2.3, the access point may be an inspection chamber.

5. The flow diagram in Figure B3, used in conjunction with the access structure standard details will ensure that the sewerage system meets the required safety, operational and sustainability standards. Each junction, change of direction or change of status, is described here as a node. Unless otherwise required in accordance with B5.2.6, no access is required at a node if it connects less than three properties and there already is, or will be, sufficient access to carry out sewer maintenance.
6. Where access to a pipe is provided through an inspection chamber, no part of the pipe should be more than 22.5 m from the adjacent inspection chamber (i.e., the distance between adjacent inspection chambers should be no more than 45 m). Where access to a pipe is provided through a manhole, no part of the pipe should be more than 45 m from the adjacent manhole (i.e., the distance between adjacent manholes should be no more than 90 m). Where the nearest adjacent node to a manhole is an inspection chamber, they should be no more than 45 m apart.

7. Manholes should be designed for safe access and egress. The minimum clear opening into any manhole less than or equal to 3 metres deep to the soffit of the lowest outgoing pipe should be 600 mm x 600 mm.

8. Inspection chambers should be designed to afford reasonable access for equipment to carry out testing, inspection and maintenance activities. Inspection chambers should be designed for personnel working at ground level.

9. Any pipe, and associated access upstream of the point of demarcation, is a private drain and should be constructed in accordance with the Building Regulations.

10. Figure B 4 to Figure B 17 show typical details of manholes for a variety of depths from cover level to soffit of pipe up to 6 m, including backdrops. No significant departure from these dimensions should be made without approval by the water company.

11. In exceptional cases, where access is required at a greater depth than 6 m, the details should be agreed in advance with the water company.

12. Minimum manhole diameters for Type A, B and C manholes should be in accordance with Table B 1. The minimum diameter should be increased, as necessary, to provide the minimum benching dimensions specified in Figures Figure B 4 to Figure B 12.

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**Figure B 3**

**Access type selection**

All depths are from cover level to the soffit of highest outgoing pipe

Start

- Does node serve > 10 properties
  - Yes → Is node > 6m deep
    - Yes → Site-specific engineered solution
    - No → Is node > 3m deep
      - Yes → Type A Access (3-6m)
      - No → Type B Access (< 3m)
  - No → Does node connect > 2 properties
    - Yes → Is node > 2m deep
      - Yes → Is outgoing pipe ≥ DN/DI450
        - Yes → Site-specific engineered solution
        - No → Type C Access (< 1.5m)
      - No → Does node serve > 3 properties
        - Yes → Type D Access (non-entry)
        - No → Type E Access (non-entry)
  - No → Will access otherwise be available
    - No → Is node > 2m deep
      - Yes → Site-specific engineered solution
      - No → No access required at the node
    - Yes → Start
13. The height of a Type A manhole (benching to slab soffit) should normally be in excess of 2000 mm. When this is impracticable, Type B manholes are preferred, subject to an absolute minimum height (benching to slab soffit) of 900 mm.

14. The internal dimensions quoted above are considered to be the minimum. Where two or more pipes enter the manhole, the internal dimensions should be increased, where necessary, to accommodate the minimum width of benching. Pipes of different diameters entering manholes should be installed with soffits at the same level.

15. The dimensions of Type C manholes should be as shown in Figure B 14 or Figure B 15.

16. Figure B 18 to Figure B 25 show typical details of Type D and Type E inspection chambers. No significant departure from these should be made without approval by the water company.

17. The design of special manholes and other structures should be agreed with the water company.

18. "In-fill" type covers should not be used unless the developer can demonstrate that the cover can be safely lifted by two persons using standard lifting keys and that the lateral forces applied by the in-fill will not deform the cover or frame, causing the cover to become stuck in the frame. Where a cover is located in an area of block paving, the minimum frame depth should be 150 mm.

19. Covers for manholes and inspection chambers should be in accordance with E2.32 of the Civil Engineering Specification.

20. Where covers are sited in NRSWA Road Types 0, 1, 2 or 3, the frames of manhole covers should be bedded using a mortar complying with the requirements of the Design Manual for Roads and Bridges 4.2 Part 5 HA/104/09 (e.g., a suitable polyester resin bedding mortar).

21. In situations where traffic loading is anticipated to be heavier (e.g., in industrial developments where large numbers of HGV movements are expected) than would occur on a typical residential estate distributor road, a cover with a higher specification than BS EN 124 D400 should be used. This should comprise either a Class E600 cover or a D400 of a type that has been assessed and approved by the water company as having sufficient additional ruggedness to ensure durability.

22. Unless the chamber is designed to withstand the vertical load acting on it, a precast concrete slab or in-situ concrete slab, should be provided, to act as a collar to support the cover and frame. The collar should be separate from the chamber to ensure the loading from the cover and frame is not transferred to the chamber. The collar itself and the material below the collar should be designed to accommodate and distribute the loads acting on the collar and into the substrate without resulting in settlement.

23. The first manhole upstream from the connection to the (existing) public sewer should, when constructed, be fitted with a temporary screen in order to prevent debris entering the public sewer. The screen should not be removed until immediately prior to the occupation of premises to be served by the sewer.
24. Rocker pipes should be provided at entry to, and exits from, manholes when rigid pipes are used. Their length should be as shown in Table E 13 (see E6.6).

25. Where pipes serving a total of three properties or less connect to a pipe that has a nominal internal diameter less than or equal to 150 mm, the branch connections should be set so that the soffits of all the pipes are at the same level. In all other cases, branch connections should be set with the soffit levels no lower than that of the main pipe and with the invert level of the branch connection at least 50 mm above the invert of the main pipe.

26. The main channel should extend the whole length of the chamber, comprising a half-round section plus vertical benching from the top edge of the half round section to a height of not less than that of the soffit of the outlet, where it should be rounded off and sloped upwards to meet the wall of the chamber. The channel should not bend by more than 90 degrees (including any connecting pipe. Connecting pipes should be constructed from swept channels (see Figure B 13).

27. Steeper gradients are preferred to the use of backdrops. Where pre-formed manhole or inspection chamber bases are used, the angular displacement at the joints between the manhole base and the pipe comply with the requirements of E5.9.4. Where steeper gradients are impractical, backdrops should be constructed at manholes as shown in Figure B 16 or Figure B 17. Ramped backdrops should be used for manholes rather than vertical backdrops.

28. Where step rungs and ladders are to be used, the distance from the top rung to the surface should be a maximum of 675 mm (see E6.7) with a minimum of one course of brickwork. Where ladders are to be used, they should be positioned relative to the access so that the minimum clear opening is not obstructed.

29. At the foot of each ladder or set of step rungs, a minimum of 450 mm landing area should be provided from the outer edge of the step or rung. This may consist of:

   a) a single area adjacent to the foot of the ladder or steps; or
   b) where the channel is no more than DN450, one area of at least 225 mm adjacent to the foot of the ladder or steps with the remainder on the other side of the channel.

30. The minimum dimensions of inspection chambers are determined by the entry radius needed by the equipment as it passes into the pipe (see Figure B 25). The clear opening should, therefore, have a minimum diameter greater than 50% of the internal diameter of chamber, subject to a minimum of 90 mm.

31. BS EN 752 provides further detail on the design of sewer systems including provision of access.
Figure B 4
Typical manhole detail – Type A1
Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe 3 m to 6 m with ladder and reducing slab
Rigid material construction without concrete surround

Mortar bedding and haunching to cover and frame to Clause E6.7

Minimum 1 course of Class B engineering bricks or precast concrete cover frame seating rings

675 mm maximum to first ladder rung from cover level

On manholes less than 1.5 m diameter reducing slab not to be used and PC rings to continue up to cover slab

Lifting eyes in concrete rings to be pointed

Cover complying with Clause E2.32
600 mm x 600 mm clear opening

Precast concrete slab complying with E2.30

Corbel slab to E2.30.2

600 mm x 750 mm cover slab opening

900 mm minimum clear access behind ladder

Shaft diameter 1200 mm

Precast concrete slab complying with E2.30

Precast concrete chamber sections complying with Clause E2.29 jointed with mortar, elastomeric or plastomeric seals.

Chamber wall to be minimum 125 mm

Surface of benching and channel formed monolithically with high-strength concrete base or a proprietary liner

Self-cleaning toe holes to be provided where channel exceeds 600 mm wide

Precast concrete base unit

Benching slope to be 1:10 to 1:30

DNID to Clause B5.2.12

150 mm to underside of channel

Joint to be within chamber wall to permit satisfactory joint and subsequent movement

Minimum width of benching for landing area to be 450 mm from the edge of the ladder to the edge of the channel (See Clause B5.2.29)

Ladder complying with Clause E2.37

Minimum width of benching to be 225 mm

Note: Opening to be located centrally over 900 mm shaft and offset approximately 200 mm for 1200 mm diameter shaft with ladder

See Figure B.13 and Clause E6.6.2 for rocker pipe details

Not to scale
Figure B 5
Typical manhole detail – Type A1
Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe 3 m to 6 m with ladder and reducing slab
Rigid material construction with concrete surround

- Mortar bedding and haunching to cover and frame to Clause E6.7
- Minimum 1 course of Class B engineering bricks or precast concrete cover frame seating rings
- Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe 3 m to 6 m with ladder and reducing slab
- On manholes less than 1.6 m diameter reducing slab not to be used and PC rings to continue up to cover slab
- In-situ GEN3 concrete complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1
- Lifting holes in concrete rings to be pointed
- Minimum 20 mm thick high-strength concrete topping complying with Clauses E4.3 and E6.5 neatly shaped and finished to all branch connections
- Self-clearing toe holes to be provided where channel exceeds 600 mm wide
- In-situ GEN3 concrete complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1
- Inverts to be formed using channel pieces
- Cover complying with Clause E2.32. 600 mm x 600 mm clear opening
- Precast concrete slab complying with E2.30
- Corbel slab to E2.30.2 600 mm x 750 mm cover slab opening
- 900 mm minimum clear access behind ladder
- Shaft diameter 1200 mm
- Precast concrete chamber sections complying with Clause E2.29 jointed with elastomeric or plasticiseric seals
- Concrete surround 150 mm thick
- The bottom precast section to be built into base concrete minimum 75 mm
- Benching slope to be 1:10 to 1:30
- Construction joint
- Distance between top of pipe and underside of precast section to be minimum 50 mm to maximum 300 mm
- 225 mm to underside of channel

See Figure B.13 and Clause E5.6.2 for rocker pipe details

Minimum width of benching to be 225 mm

Pipe joint with channel to be located minimum 100 mm inside face of manhole

Not to scale

Minimum width of benching for landing area to be 450 mm from the edge of the ladder to the edge of the channel (See Clause E5.2.29)

Ladder complying with Clause E2.37

Note: Opening to be located centrally over 900 mm shaft and offset approximately 200 mm for 1200 mm diameter shaft with ladder
Figure B 6
Typical manhole detail – Type A2
Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe 3 m to 6 m with ladder
Rigid material construction without concrete surround

- Cover complying with Clause E2.32
  600 mm x 600 mm clear opening
- Precast concrete slab complying with E2.30
  Corbel slab to E2.30.2
- 600 mm x 750 mm cover slab opening
- 900 mm minimum clear access behind ladder
- Shaft diameter 1200 mm
- Precast concrete chamber sections complying with Clause E2.29
  jointed with mortar, elastomeric or plastomeric seals.
  Chamber wall to be minimum 125 mm
- 230 mm
- 2000 mm minimum
- DN/ID to Clause B5.2.12
- Benching slope to be 1:10 to 1:30
- 150 mm to underside of channel
- See Figure B.13 and Clause E8.8.2 for rocker pipe details

- Mortar bedding and haunching to cover and frame to Clause E6.7
- Minimum 1 course of Class B engineering bricks or precast concrete cover frame seating rings
- 675 mm maximum to first ladder rung from cover level
- Lifting eyes in concrete rings to be pointed
- Surface of benching and channel formed monolithically with high-strength concrete base or a proprietary liner
- Self-cleaning toe holes to be provided where channel exceeds 600 mm wide
- Joint to be within chamber wall to permit satisfactory joint and subsequent movement
- Minimum width of benching for landing area to be 450 mm from the edge of the ladder to the edge of the channel (See Clause B5.2.29)
- Ladder complying with Clause E2.37
- Minimum width of benching to be 225 mm
- Note: Opening to be located centrally over 900 mm shaft and offset approximately 200 mm for 1200 mm diameter shaft with ladder

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Figure B 7
Typical manhole detail – Type A2
Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe 3 m to 6 m with ladder
Alternative rigid material construction with concrete surround

- Mortar bedding and haunching to cover and frame to Clause E6.7
- Minimum 1 course of Class B engineering bricks or precast concrete cover frame seating rings
- 675 mm maximum to first ladder rung from cover level
- In-situ GEN3 concrete complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1
- Lifting holes in concrete rings to be pointed
- Minimum 20 mm thick high-strength concrete topping complying with Clauses E4.3 and E6.5 neatly shaped and finished to all branch connections
- Self-cleaning toe holes to be provided where channel exceeds 600 mm wide
- Inverts to be formed using channel pieces

- Cover complying with Clause E2.32
- 600 mm x 600 mm clear opening
- Precast concrete slab complying with E2.30
- Corbel slab to E2.30.2
- 600 mm x 750 mm cover slab opening
- 900 mm minimum clear access behind ladder
- Shaft diameter 1200 mm
- Precast concrete chamber sections complying with Clause E2.29 jointed with elastomeric or plastomeric seals
- Concrete surround 150 mm thick
- The bottom precast section to be built into base concrete minimum 75 mm
- Benching slope to be 1:10 to 1:30
- Construction joint
- In-situ GEN3 concrete complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1

- Joint to be as close as possible to face of manhole to permit satisfactory joint and subsequent movement
- Minimum width of benching for landing area to be 450 mm from the edge of the ladder to the edge of the channel (See Clause B5.2.29)
- Ladder complying with Clause E2.37

- Minimum width of benching to be 225 mm
- Pipe joint with channel to be located minimum 100 mm inside face of manhole

Note: Opening to be located centrally over 500 mm shaft and offset approximately 200 mm for 1200 mm diameter shaft with ladder

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Not to scale
Figure B 8
Typical manhole detail – Type A2
Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe 3 m to 6 m with ladder
Flexible material construction

- Mortar bedding and haunching to cover and frame to Clause E2.7
- Minimum 1 course of Class B engineering bricks or precast concrete cover frame seating rings
- Minimum 50 mm gap between slab and plastic chamber unit
- 675 mm maximum to first ladder rung from cover level
- Ladder complying with Clause E2.37
- Backfill: minimum 150 mm thick compacted granular bed (type 20/5 or single size stone max 20 mm) or GEN3 complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1 in accordance with the manufacturer's instruction
- Self-cleaning toe holes to be provided where channel exceeds 600 mm wide
- Bedding: compacted granular bed (type 20/5 or single size stone max 20 mm) or GEN3 complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1 in accordance with the manufacturer's instruction
- Joint to be as close as possible to face of manhole to permit satisfactory joint and subsequent movement
- Minimum width of benching to be 225 mm
- Pipe joint with channel to be located minimum 100 mm inside face of manhole
- Note: Opening to be located centrally over 900 mm shaft and offset approximately 200 mm for 1200 mm diameter shaft with ladder

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Figure B 9
Typical manhole detail – Type B

Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe 1.5 m to 3 m
Rigid material construction without concrete surround

- Mortar bedding and haunching to cover and frame to Clause E6.7
- Minimum 1 course of Class B engineering bricks or precast concrete cover frame seating rings
- 675 mm maximum to first step rung from cover level
- Lifting eyes in concrete rings to be pointed
- Surface of benching and channel formed monolithically with high-strength concrete base or a proprietary liner
- Self-cleaning toe holes to be provided where channel exceeds 600 mm wide
- DN/ID to Clause B5.2.12
- Joint to be within chamber wall to permit satisfactory joint and subsequent movement
- Double step rungs complying with Clause E2.33
- 450 mm minimum from edge of stepping (See Clause B5.2.29)
- 150 mm to underside of channel
- Chamber height (not less than 900 mm)
- Benching slope to be 1:10 to 1:30
- Precast concrete base unit
- Precast concrete slab complying with E2.30
- Minimum clear access 600 mm
- Chamber wall to be minimum 125 mm
- Precast concrete chamber sections complying with Clause E2.29 jointed with mortar, elastomeric or plastomeric seals.
- Cover complying with Clause E2.32, 600 mm x 600 mm clear opening
- See Figure B.13 and Clause E6.6.2 for rocker pipe details
- Not to scale
Figure B 10
Typical manhole detail – Type B
Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe 1.5 m to 3 m
Alternative rigid material construction with concrete surround

Mortar bedding and haunching to cover and frame to Clause E6.7
Minimum 1 course of Class B engineering bricks or precast concrete covering frame seating rings

675 mm maximum to first step rung from cover level
Lifting holes in concrete rings to be pointed

In-situ GEN3 concrete complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1

Minimum 20 mm thick high-strength concrete topping complying with Clauses E4.3 and E5.5 neatly shaped and finished to all branch connections

Construction joint
Self-cleaning toe holes to be provided where channel exceeds 600 mm wide
Inverts to be formed using channel pipes

Cover complying with Clause E2.32, 600 mm x 600 mm clear opening
Precast concrete slab complying with E2.30

Minimum clear access 600 mm
Precast concrete chamber sections complying with Clause E2.29 jointed with mortar, elastomeric or plastic seals

150 mm concrete surround
Chamber height (not less than 900 mm)

Benching slope to be 1:10 to 1:30
The bottom precast manhole ring to be built into base concrete minimum 75 mm

Distance between top of pipe and underside of precast section to be minimum 50 mm to maximum 300 mm
In-situ GEN3 concrete complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1

225 mm to underside of channel

Joint to be as close as possible to face of manhole to permit satisfactory joint and subsequent movement
Pipe joint with channel to be located minimum 100 mm inside face of manhole
Double step rungs complying with Clause E2.33

Minimum width of benching to be 225 mm

450 mm minimum from edge of stepping (See Clause B5.2.29)

See Figure B.13 and Clause E6.6.2 for rocker pipe details

Not to scale
Figure B.11
Alternative base detail for Type A and Type B manholes without concrete surround

Minimum 20 mm thick high-strength concrete topping complying with Clauses E4.3 and E6.5 neatly shaped and finished to all branch connections

Self-cleaning toe holes to be provided where channel exceeds 600 mm wide

Inverts to be formed using channel pieces

In-situ GEN3 concrete complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1

Precast concrete chamber sections complying with Clause E2.29 jointed with mortar, elastomeric or elastomeric seals. Chamber wall to be minimum 125 mm

Lowest ring to be embedded into the in-situ base by 75 mm

Construction joint with hydrophobic seal

Distance between top of pipe and underside of precast section to be minimum 50 mm to maximum 300 mm

225 mm to underside of channel

Joint to be within chamber wall to permit satisfactory joint and subsequent movement

Pipe joint with channel to be located minimum 100 mm inside face of manhole

Double step rungs complying with Clause E2.33

Minimum width of benching to be 225 mm

450 mm minimum from edge of stepping (See Clause B5.2.28)

See Figure B.13 and Clause E6.6.2 for rocker pipe details

Not to scale
**Figure B 12**

Typical manhole detail – Type B

Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe 1.5 m to 3 m

Flexible material construction

Mortar bedding and haunching to cover and frame to Clause E6.7

Precast concrete slab complying with E2.30

Minimum 1 course of Class B engineering bricks or precast concrete cover frame seating rings

Cover complying with Clause E2.32. 600 mm x 600 mm clear opening

Minimum 50 mm gap between slab and plastic chamber unit

Load disconnecting assembly (footing and slab with flexible seal) for granular surround (See Clause B5.2.22)

675 mm maximum to first step rung from cover level

Minimum clear access 600 mm

Backfill: minimum 150 mm thick compacted granular bed (type 20/5 or single size stone max 20 mm) or GEN3 complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1 in accordance with the manufacturer’s instruction

Plastic manhole units and rings shall comply with Clause E2.31

Self-cleaning toe holes to be provided where channel exceeds 600 mm wide

Minimum 150 mm to underside of channel

Bedding: compacted granular bed (type 20/5 or single size stone max 20 mm) or GEN3 complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1 in accordance with the manufacturer’s instruction

Base plate with overhang

Pipe joint with channel to be located minimum 100 mm inside face of manhole

Joint to be as close as possible to face of manhole to permit satisfactory joint and subsequent movement

Double step rungs complying with Clause E2.33

Minimum width of benching to be 225 mm

450 mm minimum from edge of stepping (See Clause B5.2.29)
Rigid pipes built into manhole should have a flexible joint as close as feasible to the external face of the structure and the length of the next rocker pipe should be as shown.

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All pipes entering the bottom of the manhole to have soffits level.
Figure B 14
Typical manhole detail – Type C
Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe less than 1.5 m
Maximum pipe size 450 mm diameter
Rigid material construction

Note: The use of precast concrete chamber units to E2.29
with 150 mm GEN3 in-situ concrete complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1
in place of brickwork construction is permitted.

Not to scale
Figure B 15
Typical manhole detail – Type C
Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe less than 1.5 m
Maximum pipe size 450 mm diameter
Rigid material construction

Internal dimensions of manhole normally
1350 mm but manhole diameter
should be increased for pipes larger than
450 mm diameter to give 225 mm benching
in accordance with B5.2.29

Joint to be as close as possible
to face of manhole to permit
satisfactory joint and
subsequent movement

Minimum width of
benchings to be 225 mm

See Figure B.13 and Clause
E6.6.2 for rocker pipe details

Double step rungs complying
with Clause E2.33

Minimum 20 mm high-strength
concrete topping complying with
Clause E4.3 and E6.5 neatly shaped
and finished to all branch connections

In-situ GEN3 concrete complying with
E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1

225 mm to barrel of pipe

Mortar bedding
and haunching to
cover and frame
to Clause E6.7

Brickwork or concrete
blocks to be corbeled
(maximum 30 mm per
course) to suit cover

Precast concrete chamber
sections complying with
Clause E2.29 jointed with
mortar, elastomeric or
plastomeric seals. Chamber
wall to be minimum 125 mm

Benching slope to
be 1:10 to 1:30

150 mm minimum

Inverts to be formed
using channel pieces

Minimum 20 mm high-strength
ductile iron cover
Cover complying with Clause E2.32

1220 mm x 685 mm multiple
ductile iron cover

Note: The use of precast concrete chamber units to E2.29
with 150 mm GEN3 in-situ concrete complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1
in place of brickwork construction is permitted.

Not to scale
Figure B 16
Typical vertical and ramped backdrop detail (rigid materials)
For use in manhole types A to D

Note: Steeper gradients are preferred to the use of backdrops.
Type of backdrop to be used to be agreed with the water company.
Figure B 17
Typical vertical and ramped backdrop detail (flexible materials)
For use in manhole types A to D

Note: Steeper gradients are preferred to the use of backdrops.
Type of backdrop to be used to be agreed with the water company.
Figure B 18
Typical inspection chamber detail – Type D
Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe up to 2 m
Flexible material construction for use in areas subject to vehicle loading

Plastic chambers and rings shall comply with Clause E2.31
Mortar bedding and haunching to cover and frame to Clause E6.7
Surface course
Binder course
Base course
Minimum 50 mm gap between slab and chamber unit
Flexible seal
(Seal needs to be watertight and provide a suitable specification for the details and material)
Temporarily cap shaft during construction

Cover complying with Clause E2.32
If distance from cover level to soffit of pipe is > 1 m, access opening shall be restricted to 350 mm diameter or 300 mm x 300 mm
Class B engineering brickwork or precast concrete cover frame seating rings
Precast concrete slab or in-situ concrete slab to support cover and frame
Granular type I sub-base material to Clause E2.43 (thickness varies)

Minimum internal dimensions
450 mm diameter or 450 mm x 450 mm
Minimum 150 mm thick granular type I sub-base material to Clause E2.43
or GEMS in-situ concrete surround complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1
in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions
Base unit to have all connections with soffit levels set no lower than that of the main pipe
Granular bedding material
Invert of connecting pipe at least 50 mm above that of the main pipe

Note: Where the access chamber is in the highway (including any footway), the highway authority can have specific requirements.

Not to scale
Figure B 19
Typical inspection chamber detail – Type D

Flexible material construction alternative top details for use in areas of light vehicle loading or landscaped areas

Plastic chambers and rings shall comply with Clause E2.31

**Sited in domestic driveways or footways**
- Mortar bedding and haunching to cover and frame to Clause E6.7
- 150 mm deep concrete collar
- Temporarily cap shaft during construction
- Flexible seal
- Compacted granular bed (type 20/5 or single size stone max 20 mm)

Cover complying with Clause E2.32
- If distance from cover level to soffit of pipe is > 1m, access opening shall be restricted to 350 mm diameter or 300 mm x 300 mm
- Minimum internal dimensions 450 mm diameter or 450 mm x 450 mm

**Sited in domestic gardens**
- Mortar bedding and haunching to cover and frame to Clause E6.7
- Temporarily cap shaft during construction
- Flexible seal
- Granular bed or GEN3 complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1

Cover complying with Clause E2.32
- If distance from cover level to soffit of pipe is > 1m, access opening shall be restricted to 350 mm diameter or 300 mm x 300 mm
- Minimum internal dimensions 450 mm diameter or 450 mm x 450 mm

Topsoil

Note: Where the access chamber is in the highway (including any footway), the highway authority can have specific requirements.

Not to scale
Figure B 20

Typical inspection chamber detail – Type D

Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe up to 2 m
Rigid material construction for use in areas subject to vehicle loading

Note: Where the access chamber is in the highway (including any footway), the highway authority can have specific requirements.

Not to scale
Figure B 21
Typical inspection chamber detail – Type D
Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe up to 2 m
Rigid material construction for use in areas subject to vehicle loading or landscaped areas

Note: Where the access chamber is in the highway (including any footway), the highway authority can have specific requirements.

Not to scale
Figure B 22
Typical base layouts for Type D chambers

Flexible inlet/outlet and/or bend (maximum angle 45°) to facilitate connection

Main flow

Joint to be as close as possible to face of chamber to permit satisfactory joint and subsequent movement

Unused inlets to be sealed and watertight

Where chambers are positioned on 90° corners, always use the main channel by fitting a 45° bend on the inlet and outlet

Flexible inlet/outlet and/or bend (maximum angle 45°)

Main flow

Note: Where a bend is used immediately outside the manhole, this may be used as the rocker pipe.

Not to scale
Figure B 23
Typical inspection chamber detail – Type E
Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe up to 2 m
Flexible material construction

Plastic chambers and rings shall comply with Clause E2.31

Sited in driveways/paved areas
Mortar bedding and haunching to cover and frame to Clause E6.7
150 mm deep concrete collar

Joints between base and shaft and shaft components to be fitted with watertight seals

150 mm thick bedding material to Clause E2.25

Cover complying with Clause E2.32
If distance from cover level to soffit of pipe is > 1m, access opening shall be restricted to 300 mm diameter or 300 mm x 300 mm

Minimum internal dimensions
180 mm diameter or 225 mm x 100 mm

Minimum 150 mm thick granular type I sub-base material to Clause E2.43 or GEN3 in-situ concrete surround complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1

Base unit to have all connections with soffit levels set no lower than that of the main pipe

Sited in domestic gardens
Mortar bedding and haunching to cover and frame to Clause E6.7
Topsoil

Joints between base and shaft and shaft components to be fitted with watertight seals

150 mm thick bedding material to Clause E2.25

Cover complying with Clause E2.32

Minimum internal dimensions
180 mm diameter or 228 mm x 100 mm

Minimum 150mm thick granular type I sub-base material to Clause E2.43 or GEN3 in-situ concrete surround complying with E4.1 and BRE Special Digest 1

Base unit to have all connections with soffit levels set no lower than that of the main pipe

Flexible inlet/outlet and/or bend (maximum angle 45°)

Joint to be as close as possible to face of chamber to permit satisfactory joint and subsequent movement

Unused inlet to be sealed and watertight

Where chambers are positioned on 90° corners, always use the main channel by fitting a 45° bend on the inlet and outlet

Note: Where the access chamber is in the highway (including any footway), the highway authority can have specific requirements.

Not to scale
Figure B 24
Typical inspection chamber detail – Type E
Depth from cover level to soffit of pipe up to 1 m
Rigid material construction

Cover complying with Clause E2.32
Minimum internal dimensions
450 mm x 600 mm
Benching slope to be 1:10 to 1:30

See Figure B.13 and Clause E6.6.2
for rocker pipe details

In-situ GEN3 concrete
complying with E4.1
and BRE Special Digest 1

Joint to be as close as possible
to face of chamber to permit
satisfactory joint and
subsequent movement

Note: Where chambers are positioned on 90°
corners, always use the main channel by
fitting a 45° bend on the inlet and outlet

Main flow

Main flow

Note: Where the access chamber is in the highway (including any footway),
the highway authority can have specific requirements.

Not to scale
B6  RELIABILITY

1. The minimum size for a gravity foul sewer should be:
   
   a) 100 mm nominal internal diameter for ten properties or less; or

   b) 150 mm nominal internal diameter for more than ten properties.

2. The minimum nominal internal diameter for a gravity foul lateral drain should be 100 mm.

3. As far as practicable, junctions should be built in for all planned connections when sewers are constructed to avoid damage to the sewer by installing connections at a later date. Where it is necessary to make a post-construction connection to a sewer, B6.8 and E5.8 will apply. The upstream end of any unused connection should be sealed until required.

4. The vertical angle between the connecting pipe and the horizontal should be greater than 0° and not more than 60° (see Figure B 26).
5. Where the connection is being made to a sewer with a nominal internal diameter of 300 mm or less, connections should be made using 45° angle, or 90° angle curved square junctions (see Figure B 26).

6. Connections made with junction fittings should be made by cutting the existing pipe, inserting the junction fitting and jointing with flexible repair couplings or slip couplers.

7. Where the connection is being made to a sewer with a nominal internal diameter greater than 300 mm:
   a) where the diameter of the connecting pipe is greater than half the diameter of the sewer, the connection of an access point should be constructed; or
   b) where the diameter of the connecting pipe is less than or equal to half the diameter of the sewer, then the connection should be made using a preformed saddle fitting.

8. Connections made with saddle fittings should be made by cutting and safely removing a core from the pipe and jointing the saddle fitting to the pipe, in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions, to ensure a watertight joint. The connecting pipe should not protrude into the sewer.

9. To provide a self-cleansing regime within gravity foul sewers, the minimum flow velocity should be 0.75 m per second at one-third design flow. Where this requirement cannot be met, then this criterion would be considered to be satisfied if:
a) a 150 mm nominal internal diameter gravity sewer is laid to a gradient not flatter than 1:150 where there are at least ten dwelling units connected; or

b) a sewer or lateral drain with a nominal internal diameter of 100 mm, or a lateral drain serving ten or less properties is laid to a gradient not flatter than 1:80, where there is at least one WC connected and 1:40 if there is no WC connected.

10. These parameters should not to be taken as a norm when the topography permits steeper gradients. Hydraulic studies indicate that these requirements may not necessarily achieve a self-cleansing regime. When a choice has to be made between gravity sewerage and pumped sewerage, these criteria should not be regarded as inflexible and the developer should consult the water company.

B7 STRUCTURAL DESIGN AND INTEGRITY

1. Buried pipes should be designed in accordance with BS EN 1295-1 and BS 9295.

2. The design of the pipeline should take account of loading from the passage of construction plant as well as normal design loading.

3. If the depth of cover level to soffit is less than the values recommended in B5.1.7 (unless it can be demonstrated by structural calculations or other suitable means) one of the following protection measures should be provided:

   a) a concrete slab in accordance with Figure B 27; or
   b) a concrete surround with flexible joints in accordance with Figure B 28; or
   c) a ductile iron pipe should be used.

4. If, in accordance with B5.1.6, foul sewers and/or lateral drains are constructed under a boundary wall not greater than 1.8 m high, a lintel should be incorporated into the wall above the pipe, in accordance with Figure B 29, to prevent loads from the wall being transmitted to the pipe.

5. The structural design of all pipes should take into account the possible incidence of punching shear. The design should ensure that no vertical load is imposed by structures such as shafts onto non-load bearing components such as the pipes.

6. Where there is a risk of tree root intrusion (see B5.1.10) the sewer system should be resistant to tree root ingress (e.g., by use of appropriate barriers or constructed from polyethylene (see E2.23) with welded joints).
Figure B 27
Protection of pipes laid at shallow depths

- Backfill
- Compressible material
- Reinforced concrete slab
- Pipe
- Minimum 150 mm thick granular bedding and surrounding material
- 300 mm minimum bearing on original ground

Not to scale

Figure B 28
Joints for encased pipes

- Spigot and socket joint
- Sleeve joint
- Compressible filler
- Concrete pipe surround
B8 MATERIALS

1. Materials should comply with the requirements of Part E.

2. Materials and components should comply with the following:
   
a) the manufacturing process should minimise the use of solvent-based substances that emit volatile organic compounds or ozone-depleting substances;

b) products should be made from recycled material, where reasonably practicable; and

c) the use and/or creation of substances included in the UK Red List (DoE, 1988) of toxic substances should be avoided during the manufacturing process.

B9 CONSTRUCTION

1. Construction of the drainage system should comply with the requirements of Part E.

2. The works should be protected, where necessary, from loads imposed by construction plant during construction.

B10 TESTING

1. Testing of the drainage system should comply with the requirements of Part E.
B11 PUMPING STATIONS

1. For guidance on the design and construction of pumping stations see Part D.
PART C – DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF NEW SURFACE WATER DRAINAGE SYSTEMS
C1 INTRODUCTION

1. The purpose of surface water drainage is to carry water away from buildings and yards belonging to buildings in a manner that manages flood risk and water quality. Some types of surface water drainage can also enhance amenity and biodiversity. Local authorities can also require surface water drainage systems to meet requirements for flood risk, water quality, amenity and biodiversity.

2. Local authorities have key functions in determining the surface water drainage arrangements as follows:
   a) as the local planning authority (LPA). The LPA approves the surface water drainage arrangements for new developments and redevelopments in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF), local policies and any supplementary planning documents;
   b) as the lead local flood authority (LLFA). The LLFA provides guidance to the LPA as statutory consultee in all major developments. They may provide advice for other developments;
   c) as the local land drainage authority (LDA). The LDA regulates any work carried out in or in proximity to non-main rivers (ordinary watercourses) except in areas where there is an internal drainage board (see C1.5).

In Part C where the term 'local authority' is used in this guidance, it can mean any or all of these roles.

3. In areas where there are both district and county councils, the district council is the LPA and the county council is both the LLFA and the LDA. Note: Some authorities have delegated their LLFA functions to others.

4. The Environment Agency provides guidance to the LPA in areas that are designated critical drainage areas and sites within 20 m of a main river as a statutory consultee. It also regulates any work carried out in or in proximity to any main river.

5. In some areas there are internal drainage boards which regulate any work carried out in or in proximity to non-main rivers (ordinary watercourses). Where they do not exist, these powers are carried out by the local land drainage authority (see C1.2 c)).

6. The NPPF gives an expectation that sustainable drainage systems (SuDS) should be used as first preference in developments of any size. The Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) has also issued practice guidance to support the NPPF in a number of areas.

7. The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) have also issued ‘Non-statutory Technical Standards for Sustainable Drainage Systems’ in England. The Association of SuDS Authorities (formerly called LASOO) has also issued practice guidance in relation to both the NPPF and the non-statutory technical standards.

8. The designer should submit detailed construction drawings and calculations to show how the proposed design meets the requirements of the local authority, with confirmation of the arrangements for the operation and maintenance of the system in perpetuity.
9. For those parts of England where the water company is one whose area is mainly in Wales\(^2\), other Regulations apply\(^3\).

**C2  SCOPE**

1. Part C gives guidance for the design and construction of new surface water drainage systems that are intended for adoption by water companies, in accordance with an agreement under Section 104 of the Water Industry Act 1991.

**C3  GENERAL**

1. To be capable of adoption by the water company, a component must come within the meaning of a "sewer" (see A6.19) or "lateral drain" (see A6.11) in accordance with the Water Industry Act 1991. Subject to the provisions below, the features listed in C7.2 to C7.13 are capable of being adoptable as public sewers or lateral drains.

2. This guidance provides the mechanism by which water companies can secure the adoption of a wide range of SuDS components that are compliant with the legal definition of a sewer\(^4\). This is a significant step change which will deliver better managed and integrated surface water systems, that align more closely with the direction of government and regulatory policy.

3. Providing a route for adoption allows the four pillars of SuDS design to be properly considered and utilised, with the production of resilient surface water systems that integrate all four. This will enable new development to be more sustainable and deliver a wider range of multi-functional benefits.

4. A component is potentially adoptable as a sewer (or lateral drain) if all of the following apply:

   a) it is constructed for the drainage of buildings and yards appurtenant to buildings;
   b) it has a channel (a depression between banks or ridges with a definite boundary);
   c) it conveys and returns flows to a sewer or to a surface water body or to groundwater; and
   d) it has an effective point of discharge, which must have lawful authority to discharge into a watercourse or other water body or onto or into land. As with conventional piped systems, this right to discharge must be secured by the developer and transferred to the water company on adoption.

\(2\) Currently Dŵr Cymru Welsh Water is currently the only company wholly or mainly in Wales with any part of its operating area in England.

\(3\) This is likely to change when the relevant provisions of the Wales Act 2017 are commenced.

\(4\) Water UK has published a brochure "Sewers for Adoption in England – a changed approach to surface water sewers".
5. The following components are excluded:

   a) watercourses as defined in law (these include rivers, streams and can include some ditches);  
   b) components built primarily for the drainage of surface water from streets or for the drainage of land;  
   c) components built to manage groundwater;  
   d) components which are part of the structure of a building or yard (e.g., green roof, pervious driveway or guttering and rainwater pipes attached to the building); and  
   e) components which are an integral part of the structure of a street (e.g., a pervious street or the channel formed by the kerb of a conventional road or a channel formed by a depression in the centre of a street).

6. Where surface water sewers are to be adopted by the water company, then this may include all surface water sewers and lateral drains (this is different in the area of water companies wholly or mainly in Wales) being connected to the surface water sewer, except any that will be adopted by the highway authority or other bodies. The management of other components can be covered by a separate agreement.

7. Some SuDS components are not considered to be adoptable by water companies because they do not meet the conditions set out above. These include pervious pavements, green roofs and filter strips. These components may form part of the drainage design as part of a holistic design provided they are upstream of the adoptable components or form an exceedance flood route.

8. The developer should ensure that any components not adopted by the water company are constructed as designed. They should also make arrangements to ensure their future operation and maintenance in perpetuity. These can include adoption by another body. The developer should provide details of these arrangements in their S104 Application.

9. Where the operation and maintenance of a component managed by another body could adversely impact on the water company’s system, an agreement should be in place to protect the water company’s system.

10. The designer should take account of the cost of future maintenance activities identified in the maintenance plan (see A5.5) as well as the initial capital costs.

11. The local authority can specify requirements for the design of surface water drainage systems that are different to those set out below. The design of the adoptable components should comply with the guidance in this section, in addition to the requirements of the local authority. Where any local authority requirements conflict with the guidance in Part C, this should be brought to the attention of the water company at the earliest opportunity.

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5 Water UK has published a Protocol for correctly classifying Culverted Watercourses and Sewers this is available at https://www.water.org.uk/publications/water-industry-guidance/protocol-correctly-classifying-culverted-watercourses-and
12. The government guidance to local authorities includes a hierarchy of connection, which can be summarised as follows:

a) surface water runoff is collected for use;
b) discharge into the ground via infiltration;
c) discharge to a watercourse or other surface water body;
d) discharge to a surface water sewer, highway drain or other drainage system, discharging to a watercourse or other surface water body;
e) discharge to a combined sewer.

13. Where a developer proposes to connect surface water to the existing sewer system they should submit evidence to show how the surface water hierarchy has been applied to the site and why the connection to the sewer is the most practical solution. They should also show that this has been accepted by the LPA and in the cases of major developments, they should also show that this has been reviewed by the LLFA.

14. The location of adoptable drainage components should take account of the need to provide appropriate access to each component for maintenance.

15. The health and safety risks associated with any open water should be assessed and managed in accordance with Chapter 36 of CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’. Where the proposed drainage system incorporates any surface components, the design should be carried out in accordance with Chapter 36 of ‘The SuDS Manual’ and a copy of the principal designer's risk assessment should be submitted to the water company.

16. The developer should submit completed copies of the relevant checklists from Appendix B of the CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’ with their S104 Application. In all cases this should include CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’ Tables B.3, B.4, B.5 and B.22. It should also include Tables B.6 to B.21 for each of the components used.

**C4 SEPARATE SYSTEMS**

1. Separate foul and surface water systems should be provided.

2. If, subject to the approval of the local authority (see C3.11 and C3.12), surface water sewers are to discharge into an existing combined (single pipe) sewer system, the separate foul and surface water sewers should be combined at locations immediately upstream of the point where they discharge into the existing combined sewer system. Where there is a risk of the combined sewer surcharging and backing up into the proposed surface water system, a non-return valve should be fitted.

3. The water company has no duty to accept runoff from streets. The developer should note that acceptance of this runoff into the works and, ultimately, the public sewer system, is only by agreement which will not be unreasonably withheld (see A8 for further details).
4. The water company has no duty to accept land drainage runoff, flows from watercourses or groundwater. The developer should note that permission to discharge these flows into the works is not normally given (see A9 for further details).

C5 LAYOUT PRINCIPLES

1. The layout of the development is fundamental to the performance and affordability of the drainage system as well as the wider urban design, including the character of development, amenity, biodiversity, connectivity and the use of the site. The layout of the whole development, including the drainage layout should, therefore, be considered at the earliest stages of the design of the development. ‘Building for Life 12’ recommends that designers “Explore how a holistic approach to design can be taken to the design of sustainable urban drainage by exploiting the topography and geology”.

2. Holistic design should work with the topography, existing site features and vegetation to create a harmonious and practical physical and visual layout that integrates various types of access and transport modes (including walking and cycling), drainage, public open space, an attractive street scene and biodiversity within a context of safe and practical design.

3. The location of adoptable drainage components within the system should take account of the needs for access for maintenance.

4. Where maintenance could require the use of a tanker, the access should be suitable for a tanker with a capacity equal to the capacity of the component, up to a maximum of 18,000 litres. The access should include appropriate turning facilities, where necessary.

5. Where in accordance with the maintenance plan access is anticipated to be required for tankers or other maintenance vehicles, an access road with an appropriate surface and rights of way should be provided.

6. Surface water systems should not create a raised reservoir (see A6.17) with a capacity in excess of 10,000 m³.

7. The layout of pipe systems should be in accordance with B4 and B5.

8. Surface water pumping stations should only be used where there is no other practicable method of surface water drainage and an adequate exceedance flood route is provided in the event of failure of the pumping station (see C6.3). Where a developer proposes to construct a surface water pumping station, they should have early discussions with the water company.

C6 HYDRAULIC DESIGN

C6.1 General

1. The hydraulic design should take account of the requirements of the local authority and the guidance below. The local authority can specify criteria, including design rainfall rates, design flood protection frequencies and allowances, for climate change and urban creep.
2. The hydraulic design should be carried out in accordance with the CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’. The hydraulic design of pipelines and other conduits should be designed in accordance with BS EN 16933-2.

3. Surface water sewer systems should be designed to take the runoff from roofs, yards belonging to those buildings and, subject to the agreement of the water company, the runoff from streets (see A8) including any flows through pervious pavements where they discharge into the system. For these areas, an impermeability of 100% should be assumed unless it can be demonstrated that the proposed management arrangements will limit the rate of runoff to a lower level. An impermeability of 100% for the whole site area (including soft landscaped areas) should be used in all cases when determining exceedance flows.

4. The water company is not obliged to accept runoff from land drainage (see A9) or flow from watercourses. In these cases, the developer should agree satisfactory and separate arrangements with the local authority and the water company.

5. An appropriate flow simulation method that can simulate flooding from the drainage system should be used for hydraulic design, unless otherwise agreed with the water company. A simple calculation method is likely to be acceptable in the case of small developments.

6. Where a component is designed to convey or store flows in excess of the 1 in 30 year return period event, the designer should demonstrate that the upstream system (including any inlets such as gullies or pervious paving) has the capacity to allow the flows to reach the component.

7. In some cases it is not practical to design a particular component to convey all of the flows necessary (for example, because the infiltration capacity is limited, or the inlets would not have sufficient capacity). In these cases, the additional capacity required to meet the local authority’s requirements may be provided using another component or a designated overland flow route (see CIRIA Report C635 ‘Designing for Exceedance in Urban Drainage - Good Practice’). Where an overland flow route is used, it should not be designed to operate more frequently than in a 1 in 30 year return period design rainfall event.

C6.2 Control of Surface Water Discharges from the Site

1. The local authority can impose restrictions on the method of discharge of surface water from a development on the rate and volume of discharge. They can also specify the frequency and duration(s) of the design rainfall used to calculate the discharge, including any allowance for climate change and urban creep.

2. Where storage is provided to control surface water discharges from the site, the designer should demonstrate that:

   a) the upstream system (including the inlets) has sufficient capacity to deliver the design flows to storage, either in its entirety (see C6.3.1) or in combination with overland flow pathways (see C6.2.2 b);
b) an overland flow pathway (see C6.5) is provided that will safely manage any exceedance flows.

3. The design of storage should take into account the frequency and extent of any surcharge in the downstream system, including flood levels at any discharge point into a watercourse, lake or pond.

Note: The levels in watercourses and groundwater bodies can vary both seasonally and in response to rainfall. Sewer pipes will typically surcharge (i.e., the water level in manholes will rise above the level of the soffit of the pipe) much more frequently than the design flooding frequency.

C6.3 Drainage Components on the Surface and Infiltration Systems

1. The capacity of surface level components (e.g., swales, ponds and basins) is not normally constrained by the capacity of the inlet system in the same way as underground components. They may, therefore, be designed to accept higher flow rates than underground drainage systems up to the 1 in 100 year rainfall event plus climate change standard typically required by local authorities.

2. Provided there is provision for the flows to reach a particular feature, surface SuDS features designed to take 1 in 100 year rainfall event plus climate change will normally be adoptable.

3. Components that are designed to be filled with water intermittently (e.g., basins or swales) should be designed so that the water is apparent at least a few times a year to ensure that the public are aware of their function. Where appropriate, signage should be provided to indicate:

   a) that the area can be filled with water; and
   b) to describe the flood risk management function of the component.

4. Further guidance on the hydraulic design of surface drainage components, including appropriate hydraulic roughness values can be found in Chapters 3 and 24 of the CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’.

5. Guidance on the hydraulic design of infiltration drainage components can be found in Chapter 25 of the CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’.

6. The infiltration potential of the soil and subsoil used in the hydraulic design of infiltration components should be confirmed by geo-technical tests, taking account of the seasonal variation in groundwater conditions. Guidance on this can be found in Chapter 25 of the CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’. The highest groundwater level should be at least 1m below the base of the proposed infiltration component. A completed copy of the infiltration potential checklist (CIRIA ‘The SuDS Manual’ Table B.6) should be submitted with the S104 Application.

7. On sloping sites, the impact of the infiltration on neighbouring land should be taken into account.

C6.4 Underground Drainage Components

1. Underground drainage systems include piped sewers and drains, and underground attenuation storage tanks.
2. The Colebrook-White hydraulic roughness value $k_s$ for surface water sewer and lateral drain pipe design should be 0.6 mm.

3. Underground drainage pipes should be designed under pipe full conditions to accept the following design rainfall (i.e., without surcharging above pipe soffit):

- sites with average ground slopes greater than 1% 1 year;
- sites with average ground slopes 1% or less 2 year; and
- sites where consequences of flooding are severe 5 year.
  (e.g., existing basement properties adjacent to new development)

4. The capacity of pipe should be increased further where it is necessary to comply with the flooding protection requirements.

5. The capacity of inlets to the systems (e.g., gullies or pervious paving systems) can limit the flows that can enter underground drainage systems. Gully systems designed in accordance with the ‘Design Manual for Roads and Bridges’ (HA 102/17) will not admit all the flows from streets into an underground system during extreme events (e.g., 1 in 100 years). Where the design of the system requires that flows from rainfall events in excess of the capacity of the gully systems are conveyed or stored in an underground system, the designer should use alternative inlets systems with higher capacity.

C6.5 Exceedance Flow Management

1. During exceptionally wet weather, in excess of the design conditions specified by the local authority, the capacity of the surface water drainage system can be inadequate and flooding can occur. Surface water drainage system components should be located so as to minimise the risk of damage to buildings or other critical infrastructure in the event of sewer flooding.

2. Flooding can also occur due to blockages, pumping station failure or surcharging in downstream sewers.

3. In designing the site sewerage and layout, developers should identify the flow paths and understand the potential effects of flooding They should then design flood exceedance routes to mitigate its impact, where practicable. Guidance of design of flood exceedance routes can be found in CIRIA Report C635 ‘Designing for Exceedance in Urban Drainage – Good Practice’.

C7 DETAILED DESIGN OF COMPONENTS

C7.1 General

C7.1.1 Sediment management

1. An effective means of sediment control should be provided within the drainage system and particularly upstream of any attenuation component (e.g., pond, wetland, basin or tank), infiltration component, filtration component or outfall.
2. The sediment control system should not only capture sediment under low flows but ensure that sediment is not re-entrained and washed out under peak flow conditions.

3. Sediments can be controlled by various means including catch-pits, hydrodynamic vortex separators and (in ponds, wetlands, basins and bio-retention systems) by use of a sediment forebay. An effective means of sediment control should be provided within the drainage system upstream of any attenuation component (e.g., pond, wetland, basin or tank), infiltration component, filtration component or outfall.

4. Sediment management components should incorporate access to and into the component for removal of accumulated sediment. This should include provision of appropriate vehicular access to facilitate removal. The operations and maintenance plan should describe procedures for sediment removal.

5. Where there is any risk of sediment entering an underground tank, provision should be made for removal of the sediment.

C7.1.2 Infiltration components

1. In almost all cases, infiltration drainage components can be constructed in proximity to buildings without any detrimental impact on building foundations. However, in some ground conditions problems can occur particularly, where the infiltration is concentrated in a small area.

2. Where infiltration is proposed within 5 m of foundations of any buildings or other structures, this should be agreed with a geotechnical specialist who is the designer of the foundations of the building or structure. Details should be submitted to the water company with the S104 Application. Further guidance can be found in Chapter 25 of the CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’ and ‘Using SuDS close to buildings’ on the Susdrain Website.

3. The local authority can impose requirements to prevent pollution of groundwater from polluted surface water.

C7.2 Pipe Systems

C7.2.1 Layout

1. The layout of pipes laid as surface water sewers and lateral drains should be in accordance with B5.1.

2. Surface water sewers and lateral drains should not normally be constructed under any building or any structure except that they may cross under a boundary wall not greater than 1.8 m high. However, for terraced properties it is sometimes necessary to install intermediate rainwater pipes, along the length of the terrace, to take rainwater from more than one property. Where it is not reasonably practicable to route the sewer around the building, surface water sewers with a nominal internal diameter of no more than 100 mm may be laid under a building, provided that the sewer takes the drainage from no more than one rainwater pipe with a nominal internal diameter of no more than DN75, or the equivalent cross-sectional area, provided that the entry point to the rainwater pipe is in the land.
owned by the building concerned. Where such a solution is proposed for adoption, it should be discussed with the water company at the earliest stage.

**C7.2.2 Access**

1. Access should comply with the requirements of B5.2.

2. Access points, and any inlets to drains or sewers, should be located so as to minimise the risk of damage to buildings or other critical infrastructure in the event of sewer flooding.

**C7.2.3 Reliability**

1. The minimum size for a gravity surface water sewer should be 150 mm nominal internal diameter, except where a 100 mm nominal internal diameter is permitted, in accordance with C7.2.1.2.

2. The minimum size for a gravity surface water lateral drain should be 100 mm nominal internal diameter.

3. To provide a self-cleansing regime within surface gravity sewers, the minimum flow velocity should be 1 m per second at pipe full flow. Where this requirement cannot be met, then this criterion would be considered to be satisfied if:

   a) a 150 mm nominal internal diameter gravity sewer is laid to a gradient not flatter than 1:150; or
   b) a 100 mm nominal internal diameter lateral drain is laid to a gradient not flatter than 1:100.

4. These parameters should not to be taken as a norm when the topography permits steeper gradients. Hydraulic studies indicate that these requirements may not necessarily achieve a self-cleansing regime. When a choice has to be made between gravity sewerage and pumped sewerage, these criteria should not be regarded as inflexible and the developer should consult the water company.

5. Pipe systems should comply with the requirements of B6.3 to B6.8.

**C7.2.4 Structural design and integrity**

1. Structural design and integrity of pipe systems should comply with the requirements of B7.

**C7.3 Swales**

1. A swale is a shallow, vegetated channel designed to convey and retain water but may also permit infiltration.

2. Where a swale is adopted it will usually include the sides and base of the channel, any vegetation that is part of the function of the swale and any under-drainage including any liner, check dam, flow control or erosion control measure.

3. The design of swales should be carried out in accordance with Chapter 17 of the CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’.
4. Swales proposed for adoption should typically be located in verges or other public open space or on the boundary between the street and a private garden. Where they are not adjacent to a street, provision should be made for access by maintenance equipment.

5. A completed copy of the design assessment checklist for swales (CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’ Table B.13) should be submitted with the S104 Application.

C7.4 Rills

1. A rill is a small, shallow lined channel through which surface water can flow.

2. Where a rill is adopted it will usually include the material forming the sides and base of the channel and any check dam or flow control device.

3. Rills proposed for adoption should typically be located in verges or other public open space or on the boundary between the street and a private garden. Where they are not adjacent to a street, provision should be made for access by maintenance equipment. Water companies will not adopt rills that are part of the structure of a street (see C3.5 e)).

C7.5 Bioretention Systems

1. A bioretention system is a shallow planted depression that allows runoff to pond temporarily on the surface, before filtering through vegetation and underlying soil prior to collection or infiltration. In its simplest forms, it can be a tree pit or a rain garden. Engineered soil (gravel and sand layers) and enhanced vegetation can be used to improve treatment performance.

2. The channel is formed by the banks of the depression. The effective point of discharge may take the form of a properly-designed means of infiltrating the water into the ground below or an overflow to another sewer.

3. Where a bioretention system is adopted, it will usually include the whole area used for temporary ponding of water and the inlet and outlet structures and any engineered soil structures, including the vegetation.

4. Detailed design should be carried out in accordance with Chapter 18 of CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’.

5. Bioretention systems should be designed to drain down within 24 hours.

6. A completed copy of the design assessment checklist for bioretention systems (CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’ Table B.15) should be submitted with the S104 Application.

C7.6 Ponds and Wetlands

1. A pond is a permanently wet depression designed to temporarily store surface water runoff above the permanent pool.
2. A wetland is a type of pond with a high proportion of shallow zones that promote the growth of bottom-rooted plants.

3. The channel is formed by the depression between the banks of the pond or wetland.

4. Where ponds are adopted, this will usually include the inlet and outlet structures (including flow controls) and the entire area of the pond, including any banks that are designed to retain water, any storage below the ground surface, impermeable liners and under drains.

5. The maximum water level in any pond should be at least 500 mm below the lowest floor level of any adjacent properties.

6. The maximum design storage depth should give a freeboard of 600 mm below the top of the banks.

7. Design should be carried out in accordance with Section 23 of the CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’.

8. Where wetlands are used for flow attenuation, the depth of temporary storage above the permanent water level should be limited so that the risk to plant damage is low.

9. A completed copy of the design assessment checklist for ponds and wetlands (CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’ Table B.21) should be submitted with the S104 Application.

C7.7 Basins

1. A basin is a depression in the ground that is normally dry but is designed to store surface water before infiltration (infiltration basin) and/or to provide attenuation (detention basin).

2. The effective point of discharge can be a properly-designed means of infiltrating the water into the ground. The channel will be formed by the depression or between the banks of the basin.

3. Where basins are adopted, this should usually include the inlet and outlet structures (including flow controls) and the entire area of the basin including any banks that are designed to retain water, any storage below the ground surface, impermeable liners and under drains.

4. Design should be carried out in accordance with Chapter 22 of the CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’.

5. The maximum water level in any basin shall be at least 500 mm below the lowest floor level of any adjacent properties.

6. The maximum design storage depth should give a freeboard of between 400 mm and 600 mm below the top of the banks, depending on the scale of the component.

7. Infiltration basins should be provided with an inlet flow spreader to distribute flows across the basin, ideally using a widening grass channel inlet. The base should be level across the basin to encourage
even infiltration with a slight fall of between 1 in 100 and 1 in 200 along the basin to distribute water evenly.

8. A completed copy of the design assessment checklist for basins (CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’ Table B.19) should be submitted with the S104 Application.

**C7.8 Tanks**

1. A tank is an underground structure that creates a void space for the temporary storage of surface water before infiltration, controlled release or use.

2. Tanks should have provision for access for inspection and cleaning. This should include a means of removing any sediment and a means of trapping sediment to prevent it from being washed downstream during cleaning operations.

3. The structural design of geocellular tanks should be carried out by a person competent to do so using the guidance, in CIRIA Report C737 ‘Structural and Geotechnical Design of Modular Geocellular Drainage Systems’ or other established engineering principles. Verified product performance data should be used for the engineer to make their assessment (see E2.48).

4. The design of flow attenuation facilities should, wherever practicable, include the following criteria:

   a) gravity tank sewers or tanks formed from oversized pipes should be designed as online storage;
   
   b) where parallel pipes are used for attenuation, a minimum of one pipe should act as online storage, the remainder as offline;
   
   c) the design of attenuation facilities should seek to prevent a build-up of silt and other debris (e.g., by use of benching and low-flow channels).

5. Adequate ventilation should be provided to limit pressure build up in the system during filling. The means of ventilation should be agreed with the water company.

6. A completed copy of the design assessment checklist for attenuation storage tanks (CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’ Table B.17) should be submitted with the S104 Application.

**C7.9 Infiltration Trenches and Filter Drains**

1. An infiltration trench is a trench, usually filled with permeable granular material, designed to promote infiltration of surface water to the ground.

2. A filter drain is a linear drain consisting of a trench filled with a permeable material, normally with a perforated pipe in the base of the trench to assist drainage.

3. Design should be carried out in accordance with Chapter 13 of CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’.
4. Infiltration trenches/filter drains should be designed with a perforated pipe (or other suitably-defined inspection channel) along the whole length and adequate access chambers to provide access for inspection and maintenance.

5. A completed copy of the design assessment checklist for filter drains (CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’ Table B.11) should be submitted with the S104 Application.

**C7.10 Soakaways**

1. A soakaway is a subsurface structure for the temporary storage of water before it soaks in to the ground. A soakaway is essentially a point feature; it does not have a channel.

2. To be considered for adoption, a soakaway must be fed by an upstream channel that is legally a sewer or lateral drain that is also proposed for adoption.

3. Where a soakaway is adopted, this will usually include the whole structure up to the external face, including any external rubble fill or membrane.

4. Design should be carried out in accordance with Chapter 13 of the CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’.

5. In considering the requirements for access (see C5.3), this should include provision of access for removal and replacement of any fill material.

**C7.11 Outfall Structures**

1. Surface water outfalls discharging to watercourses should be fitted with non-return valves, where necessary, to prevent backflow in the event of high water levels in the watercourse.

2. Design should be carried out in accordance with Chapter 28 of the CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’.

3. A hinged, lockable safety grille should be fitted to any surface water outfall pipe that is 350 mm diameter or larger. Where necessary, the outfall should be angled to reduce the risk of bank erosion. Typical details of outfalls to a watercourse are shown in Figure C 1 and Figure C 2 and a typical detail of a grille is shown in Figure C 3. Aspects of the design and configuration of an outfall structure may be regulated by Local Land Drainage Authorities or the Environment Agency and therefore further input into the design may be required by the water company.

4. Access should be provided for cleaning and maintenance of the grille, and for inspection of the outfall.

5. The design of the outfall can be subject to the approval of the local land drainage authority (see A7).

**C7.12 Flow Control Devices**

1. The design and location of flow control devices are to be agreed with the water company.
2. Design should be carried out in accordance with Chapter 28 of the CIRIA Report C753 'The SuDS Manual'.

**Figure C 1**
Typical detail of outfall to watercourse
Suitable for outfall pipes of less than 350 mm

Not to scale, dimensions in millimetres
Figure C 2
Typical detail of angled outfall to watercourse
Suitable for outfall pipes of less than 350 mm

- 150 mm thick stone pitching set in and bedded on in-situ concrete or precast concrete headwall, designed to BRE Special Digest 1, Concrete in Aggressive ground
- Flap valve required for PS overflow, tidal or other areas at risk of backing up
- Construction joints
- Water level
- 150 mm minimum concrete bed and surround to pipe cast integrally with headwall
- Not to scale, dimensions in millimetres

Note: Stone pitching to be smooth, hard and durable

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Figure C.3
Typical outfall safety grille
For outfalls 350 mm diameter or greater

Steel plate 80 mm x 12 mm
x *W* long bolted to the
headwall at maximum
300 mm centres

Intermediate bracket
hinges to suit pipe,
Diameter not greater
than 500 centres

Two steel connectors
60 mm x 40 mm x 20 mm
drilled 22 mm and
joined together by M20
bolt to form gate hinge
on one side

Elevation

Pipe wall

Section A-A

80 mm x 12 mm
wall plate

70 mm x 70 mm x 10 mm
steel angle screen frame

50 mm x 12 mm flat
bars at 100 mm spacing

Notes:
1. * width (W) to suit pipe outside diameter.
2. Mild steel fabrication to be hot dip galvanized to BS EN 1461.

Not to scale, dimensions in millimetres
3. The design of flow control devices should, wherever practicable, include the following features:

   a) flow controls may be static (such as vortex flow controls or fixed orifice plates) or variable (such as pistons or slide valves);
   b) where debris can enter the control (e.g., where the upstream system is open or where the inlets are gullies), static controls should have a minimum opening size of 100 mm, or equivalent;
   c) where the design of the upstream system will prevent debris entering the system (e.g., underground systems where the inlets are pervious pavement systems), static controls should have a minimum opening size of 50 mm;
   d) variable controls may have a smaller opening provided they have a self-cleansing mechanism;
   e) a bypass should be included with a surface operated penstock or valve; and
   f) access should be provided to the upstream and downstream sections of a flow control device to allow maintenance.

4. All flow control devices should be installed and operating before off-site discharge is made.

5. Flow control devices should have a free discharge (no downstream surcharge), where practicable. Where it is not practicable to achieve a free discharge at all times, attenuation calculations showing both the free discharge and surcharge conditions should be provided as part of the S104 Application.

C7.13 Proprietary Treatment Systems

1. Where treatment devices are installed on discharges from locations which have a high pollution hazard level (as defined in Table 26.2 of the CIRIA Report C753, 'The SuDS Manual') any treatment device should be part of the private drainage system, or the street drainage system, as appropriate.

2. Where the developer proposes to include a proprietary treatment device as part of the system proposed for adoption, they should consult the water company at the earliest opportunity.

3. A completed copy of the design assessment checklist for proprietary treatment systems (CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’ Table B.7) should be submitted with the S104 Application.

C7.14 Landscaping and Vegetation

1. In addition to any requirements of the local authority, landscape design and vegetation should be in accordance with Chapter 29 of the CIRIA Report C753, ‘The SuDS Manual’.

2. A management plan setting out the management objectives of the landscaping and vegetation, and an initial management programme for at least the first five years, should be included in the overall management plan submitted with the S104 Application (see C11).

C8 MATERIALS

1. Materials should comply with the requirements of Part E.
2. Materials and components should comply with the following:

a) the manufacturing process should minimise the use of solvent-based substances that emit volatile organic compounds or ozone-depleting substances;

b) products should be made from recycled material, where reasonably practicable; and

c) the use and/or creation of substances included in the UK Red List (DoE, 1988) of toxic substances should be avoided during the manufacturing process.

C9 CONSTRUCTION

1. Construction of the drainage system should comply with the requirements of Part E. SuDS components should be constructed in accordance with CIRIA Report C768 ‘Guidance on the Construction of SuDS’.


3. The works should be protected, where necessary, from loads imposed by construction plant during construction to avoid the over compaction of soils that could increase runoff from permeable areas and adversely affect the infiltration qualities of sub-soil layers.

4. The developer should use the checklist in Part F of CIRIA Report C768 ‘Guidance on the Construction of SuDS’ as part of their construction records and supply copies to the water company.

5. The developer should carry out a survey of the completed drainage system and produce as-constructed drawings. These should be cross-checked with the design drawings and any variations not previously agreed should be highlighted.

C10 INSPECTION AND TESTING

1. Inspection and testing of the drainage system should comply with the requirements of Part E with the recommendations of CIRIA Report C768 ‘Guidance on the Construction of SuDS’.

C11 MAINTENANCE

1. A management plan setting out the management objectives of the scheme and an initial programme should be submitted with the S104 Application to demonstrate that the systems can be economically maintained and that appropriate access for maintenance has been provided. Additionally, long- and medium-term strategies should be outlined as part of any submission.

2. Soft SuDS components will require regular, occasional or remedial maintenance so a simple ‘establishment’ maintenance plan for the first 5 years should be provided. However, planting, wetlands and biodiverse (wild flower) grasslands in particular will require an over-arching management plan that defines how it is expected that the vegetation will develop over time, and what it seeks to achieve (in line with the 4 pillars of SuDS). This should be defined through a simple ‘vision statement’, supported by appropriate management ‘aims and objectives’.
3. The management plan should require the quality and condition of the SuDS to be reviewed every 5 years, and a new maintenance plan devised for the forthcoming 5 year period that understands the dynamic nature of the soft SuDS, and adjusts the maintenance regime as necessary to ensure their long-term development and effectiveness.

4. The management plan should be in accordance with Chapter 32 of the CIRIA Report C753 ‘The SuDS Manual’. It should detail:
   
   a) regular maintenance activities;
   b) occasional maintenance activities; and
   c) remedial maintenance activities.

5. The management plan should detail the type of maintenance activities required, the frequency of those activities, the estimated duration, plant and equipment requirements and estimated costs.

6. The management plan should show how appropriately-sized maintenance plant can be routed to avoid over-compaction of areas that are required to allow infiltration.
PART D – PUMPING STATIONS
D1 INTRODUCTION

1. Part D of this guidance gives the industry recommendations for the design and construction of new pumping stations and rising mains for adoption, in accordance with the provisions of an agreement under Section 104 of the Water Industry Act 1991.

2. Some requirements for rising mains are similar to those of foul sewers and drains. In these cases, references are made to Part B.

3. Supplementary guidance on Part D may be provided by each water company. These addenda contain individual company requirements which are permitted as a ‘Local Practice’ under the Sector Guidance and are published on the individual water company’s website.

D2 SCOPE

1. This guidance gives the industry recommendations for the design and construction of new pumping stations and rising mains.

2. This guidance only covers submersible pumping stations not exceeding 30 kW per pump unit and where the maximum depth of the wet well from ground level to the underside of the pump unit is 6 m. The Specification seeks to provide a single, efficient and cost-effective design for the developer, whilst ensuring that customers are reliably served by a robust system. Where the pumping station will exceed 30 kW, the water company should be consulted for detailed requirements.

D3 DEFINITIONS

1. In addition to the definitions in A3, the following definitions also apply.

2. Classifications of pumping stations determined by size of incoming peak design flow rate are listed below:

   - **Type 1** - Having an incoming peak design flow rate of ≤ 0.25 litres per second (typically five dwellings or less);
   - **Type 2** - Having an incoming peak design flow rate of > 0.25 litres per second but less than 1 litre per second (typically six to twenty dwellings);
   - **Type 3** - Having an incoming peak design flow rate of ≥ 1 litre per second (typically more than twenty dwellings) but with pumps rated no more than 30 kW; and
   - **Type 4** - Having at least one pump rated more than 30 kW (these are outside the scope of ‘Sewers for Adoption’ and guidance should be sought from the water company).

D4 GENERAL

1. Foul sewage pumping stations or pumped systems should only be used where their whole-life cost is less than conventional gravity systems over a period of 40 years.
2. Surface water pumping stations should only be used where there is no other practicable sustainable method of surface water drainage and an adequate exceedance flood route is provided in the event of failure of the pumping station (see C6.5).

3. Where the discharge from the rising main is at or close to the receiving sewage treatment works and the pumped flow is a significant proportion of the flow to the treatment works, this can adversely affect the performance of the treatment works. The water company should be consulted to determine if storage is required and the amount of storage that should be provided to balance the flows to prevent adverse effect on the sewage treatment works.

D5  PROVISION OF PUMPING STATIONS

D5.1  Location

1. The minimum distance from the wet well of the pumping station to any habitable buildings should be in accordance with Table D 1, in order to minimise the risk of odour, noise and nuisance. This dimension may be subject to change, depending on the local circumstances and submission of proposals.

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2. The pumping station should not be located where it might be susceptible to flooding at a frequency of more than 1:30 years. All electrical control equipment should be water resistant or sited above the 1:200 year flood level.

3. Pumping stations should be located so that they are accessible and visible to the water company at all times for use.

4. Where a pumping station serves just one curtilage, the pumping station should, wherever practicable, be sited inside the curtilage of the property.

D5.2  Site Access

1. The pumping station should not be situated within a public or private highway, in locations which may be used for car parking, in places where maintenance work may obstruct rights of way or where there is a risk of harm from moving vehicles to operatives carrying out maintenance activities.

2. A safe and reasonable vehicular access should be provided to the pumping station at all hours for the purposes of repair and maintenance. Access should be directly from the public highway or by the provision of a dedicated access road. Vehicles should not be permitted to park in front of the vehicle.
access point to the pumping station. Long reversing routes are not acceptable. Shared access with domestic driveways is not suitable.

3. Provision should be made for access by a tanker to empty the wet well and any storage in the event of failure.

4. The provision should allow for access by a tanker with sufficient capacity to completely empty the wet well (including any provision for storage above the stop levels) and any resulting upstream in-sewer storage up to a maximum of 18,000 litres (4,000 gallons).

5. The site of the pumping station and any access road should be suitably surfaced to ensure reasonable access for vehicles and plant, and to facilitate the various maintenance operations.

6. The gradient of the site should be as level as possible to facilitate vehicle movements.

D5.3 Site Layout

1. The site should be arranged so that:

   a) there is parking space to accommodate a tanker;

   b) there is sufficient space between the various units on the site to enable maintenance operations to be carried out safely;

   c) there is sufficient space to carry out the chosen method of pump maintenance safely;

   d) the need for personnel entry in to confined spaces is minimised;

   e) the doors of the kiosk open safely; and

   f) the pump delivery pipework (within the wet well) is opposite the inlet sewer.

2. It should be noted that the local planning authority can determine the requirements for fencing, site layout, landscaping, etc., under the planning application but due regard should be given to health and safety considerations.

3. Pumping stations should be secure in their own right without having to rely on security fencing. Kiosks and all access covers should be locked and secure in their own right.

4. For smaller pumping stations, a fenced compound is not always necessary. The water company should be consulted to determine the need for a fenced compound. The water company will take account of public safety, the likelihood of vandalism, the depth of the wet well, the extent of pedestrian traffic (e.g., near schools) and whether chemical dosing is required.

5. Where security fencing is considered necessary, unless the water company specifies that additional security is required, the type of fencing should be a 1.8 m high steel fence offering a level of security or a 1.8 m high brick wall to match surroundings. Gates should provide a similar level of security with slide bolt and padlock. If chemical dosing is provided on site, then the water company should be consulted.

6. For Type 1 and Type 2 pumping stations (see D3) adjacent to a minor road with adequate parking, no on-site provision of parking should be necessary.
Note: The highway authority can require the provision of on-site parking as part of any planning application.

7. Where access is from a traffic-sensitive street or other major road, or where parking provision is unlikely to be available without obstructing the road, provision should be made for a tanker to access and park on or adjacent to the site (e.g., in a lay-by). When accessed via a major road, any entrance gates should be set back from the highway at least one vehicle length, based on the largest vehicle likely to visit the site. If outward opening, the gates should be set back by the width of the leaf of the gate.

8. On-site tanker parking should be hardstanding and surrounded by a 125 mm kerb upstand. Where HGV access is required, the hardstanding should be 200 mm thick reinforced concrete on 500 mm type 1 granular sub-base. For smaller vehicles, permeable hardstanding should be provided.

9. There should be provision of an area of impermeable hardstanding around the wet well opening to provide a safe working area. Where the depth of the wet well is less than 1.5 m, the hardstanding should be 750 mm wide on all sides of the opening. Where the depth of the wet well is greater than 1.5 m, the hardstanding should be 1500 mm wide on all sides of the opening.

10. For other access covers (excluding the wet well) there should be provision of at least 750 mm width of permeable hardstanding on all sides of the wet well. At least 750 mm wide permeable hardstanding should also be provided in front of the kiosk.

11. For pumping stations in a fenced compound, the whole area should be covered with hardstanding.

12. For smaller pumping stations not in a compound, unpaved areas should be landscaped to match the surface of the area around the pumping station.

13. The top of the wet well and the valve chamber should be flush with the ground level. Where there is foul and surface water on the same site, the tops of the foul wet well and valve chamber should be lower than the tops of the surface water wet well and valve chamber.

14. The last access point on the gravity sewer system upstream of the wet well should be within the site compound adjacent to the wet well, and be designed to allow for overpumping. This access chamber should also have provision for isolating the incoming flow to the pumping station by means of a hand-operated valve or penstock.

15. A davit socket should be provided adjacent to the wet well to allow for removal of the pump units. The davit socket should have a minimum nominal bore of 63 mm and be in accordance with Figure D1. The location of the davit socket should allow unhindered use of the davit. The horizontal distance between the centre of the davit socket and the centre of the lifting point on the pump unit should be no less than 800 mm and no greater than 1200 mm. For further information on davit sockets see D7.9.

16. Typical layouts are shown in Figure D 2 and Figure D 3.
Figure D 1
Standard flush mount davit socket

Security chain

Cover plate

Davit socket
(resin bond version, no lugs fitted)

63 mm diameter

12 mm

262 mm

89 mm diameter

168 mm

Not to scale
Figure D 2
Typical Type 2 pumping station layout

Notes:
1. Not to scale, dimensions in millimetres
2. Typical layout showing minimum dimensions
Figure D 3
Typical Type 3 pumping station layout

Notes:
1. Not to scale, dimensions in millimetres
2. Typical layout showing minimum dimensions
3. There should be a clear opening in front of the gates to ensure adequate access
D5.4 Kiosk Positioning

1. The kiosk should be positioned so that:
   a) there is a minimum of 3 m between the kiosk and any vent from the wet well;
   b) there is a minimum of 1 m of hardstanding in front of the wet well;
   c) operators can have an unobstructed view of the top of the wet well whilst attending the electrical assembly;
   d) the doors of the kiosk do not open onto any access cover/manhole or cause an obstruction;
   e) no danger will arise to operators through working on, or operating the equipment within, the kiosk whilst the access covers of the wet well, valve chamber, etc., are open;
   f) in Type 3 pumping stations, there is sufficient space to offload and position a mobile generator adjacent to the kiosk;
   g) the base of the kiosk is above flood level, see D5.1.2; and
   h) the kiosk is outside any hazardous areas.

2. Where there is no separate enclosed compound, the kiosk doors should open towards the footway. The kiosk should be at least 1 m from the footway or, where there is no footway, at least 2.5 m from the carriageway. Where there is no footway, the kiosk doors should not open towards a carriageway.

D5.5 Storage

1. To ensure that sewage flooding does not occur at, or upstream of, the pumping station during plant or power failure, additional storage should be provided. The base of this storage should be above the level of the high-level alarm and the top water level of this storage should be below the invert of the lowest lateral drain connection in the upstream network.

2. The plan area of the wet well below the level of the high-level alarm float switch level should not be increased to form any of this required storage provision. Such storage may be provided in:
   a) any upstream public sewers and public lateral drains and associated manholes and inspection chambers, up to the level of the invert of the upstream end of the lowest public lateral drain (storage should not be provided in private drainage and calculations should be provided); and
   b) specifically-designed adjacent storage structures that are designed to be self cleansing.

3. For foul pumping stations serving less than 500 dwellings, as a minimum, the storage should equate to 160 litres per dwelling, and for commercial or industrial developments one hour of peak design flow rate. For pumping stations serving 500 dwellings or more, the water company should be consulted to determine the storage requirements.

4. For surface water pumping stations, 125 m$^3$ of storage should be provided per hectare of impermeable surface draining to the pumping station (i.e., 15 minutes of rainfall at 50 mm per hour).

D5.6 Hydraulic Design of Pumping Stations

1. The design flow rate of the pump units in foul pumping stations serving less than 500 dwellings should be at least the maximum of:
a) half the incoming peak design flow rate (see Clause B3.1.1); and
b) the flow rate required to achieve a minimum flow velocity in the rising main in accordance with D6.3.1.

For pumping stations serving more than 500 dwellings, the water company should be consulted to determine the pump rate. 2. The pumping station design static head for the pump unit design flow rate should be based on the mid-point of the duty pump stop and start levels in the wet well. Calculations should be provided to confirm capacities of the pumping station based on the hydraulic design.

3. The pumping station should be provided with an ultrasonic level control system. Four level set points should be set in the wet well. These should be a "snore" level, a "pump unit stop" level, a "duty pump unit start" level and a "standby pump unit start" level. These levels should be selected to ensure that:

a) the pump units operate safely and effectively in accordance with the pump unit manufacturer's instructions (i.e., the pump units do not exhibit damaging cavitation, vibration or air-locking, or create damaging surface vortices);
b) if the wet well is in a hazardous area, the pump units do not contravene any DSEAR requirements (the pump unit manufacturer should be consulted to this end);
c) the number of pump unit starts per hour is not more than fifteen;
d) the pump unit run time is not less than 60 seconds;
e) the combined sewage retention time in the wet well and the rising main is not more than six hours (to prevent septicity occurring);
f) the stop level is as low as possible, without compromising the effective operation of the pump unit. This should be the level used for automatic control and should be set at a point where the pump unit has adequate submergence (to prevent air ingestion due to vorticity) and adequate NPSH(a) to suppress damaging cavitation;
g) the high-level backup float switch in the wet well is not routinely activated (i.e., the standby pump unit start level should be a minimum of 100 mm below the high-level backup float switch in the wet well); and
h) the standby pump unit start level is a minimum of 150 mm above the duty pump unit start level.

4. For surface water pumping stations, a check should be made to ensure that the system still meets the requirements specified by the local authority for flood protection frequencies (see C6.1.1, C6.1.5 and C6.4.4) and to ensure no flooding occurs to properties due to pump or plant failure.

D5.7 Pumping Station Design

1. The pumping station should be either:

a) a package pumping station in accordance with WIS 4-04-01 or WIS 4-04-02; or
b) a bespoke design in accordance with Section D6 and Part F.

D5.8 Acceptance Testing

1. Acceptance testing requirements for pumping stations are specified in F2.4.2.
D6  RISING MAINS

D6.1  Layout and Marking

1. As far as practicable, rising mains should be laid in highways or public open space where they are reasonably accessible. Rising mains that are sewers which serve more than one property should not be laid in enclosed private land.

2. Rising mains should be a minimum of 3 m from any building/structure.

3. Minimum depths of cover to the crown of rising mains without protection should be as follows:
   a) domestic gardens and pathways without any possibility of vehicular access – 0.75 m;
   b) domestic driveways, parking areas and yards with height restrictions to prevent entry by vehicles with a gross vehicle weight in excess of 7.5 tonnes – 0.75 m;
   c) domestic driveways, parking areas and narrow streets without footways (e.g., mews developments) with limited access for vehicles with a gross vehicle weight in excess of 7.5 tonnes - 0.9 m;
   d) agricultural land and public open space - 0.9 m; and
   e) other highways and parking areas with unrestricted access to vehicles with a gross vehicle weight in excess of 7.5 tonnes - 1.2 m.

4. As far as practicable, rising mains should be laid in straight lines. Where bends are used, they should be preformed and of long radius type. Bends should be located in places where the location of the bend can be adequately marked with a marker post (see D6.1.6).

5. Land use surveys, "walk over", corrosion, soil chemistry and resistivity surveys should be carried out to determine the routing, material used and the degree of corrosion protection required for rising mains in contaminated or aggressive soils, where potentially vulnerable pipe materials are being considered.

6. The route of a cross-country rising main should be marked at every field boundary and, where practicable, at every change of direction by approved concrete marker posts. The words "PUMPED SEWER" and the depth to the top of the pipe in metres should be indelibly marked on the marker post.

7. For rising mains, non-degradable marker tape should be laid 300 mm above the top of the pipe. For a non-metal main, the marker tape should incorporate a trace wire brought to the surface at a marker post every 1000 m (approximately) and connected to terminals on the marker post. At the pumping station, the tape should enter through a sealed duct, 300 mm below the finished paved area, and should be terminated with 1 m of wire coiled inside the valve chamber. At the discharge end of the rising main, the tape should be terminated as directed by the water company.

8. Where a pumping station serves just one curtilage, the outfall from the rising main to the gravity system should, wherever practicable, be inside the curtilage of the property.

9. Where the rising main on a Type 3 pumping station serves one property curtilage and part of the rising main is a lateral drain, a valve chamber should be provided on the boundary to allow the flow to be shut off and diverted to a take-off point with a Bauer coupling with a diameter of 100 mm.
D6.2 Reliability

1. The minimum size for a rising main should be 80 mm nominal bore.

2. Where exceptionally it is not possible to meet all the hydraulic design criteria using a rising main of ≥ 80 mm nominal bore, the designer should consult with the water company about the possibility of using a macerator pump.

D6.3 Hydraulic Design

1. The diameter of the rising main should be such that the velocity of the discharge is in the range 0.75–1.8 m per second when the pump unit is operating.

2. The roughness value \(k_s\) used for the design of the rising main should be shown in the calculations submitted and should be in accordance with 'Tables for the Hydraulic Design of Pipes, Sewers and Channels, 6th edition - Volume II' published by HR Wallingford:

   i.e., for mean velocities up to 1.1 m per second \(k_s = 0.3\) mm; and

   for mean velocities between 1.1 and 1.8 m per second \(k_s = 0.15\) mm.

3. A rising main should be laid to a minimum gradient of 1:500 rising and 1:300 falling, with sewage-type air release valves provided at high points to facilitate air removal. However, a continuously-rising pipeline without air valves is preferred. For rising mains longer than approximately 500 m, the following factors should be considered:

   a) retention time and septicity (it may be necessary to use chemical dosing or to reduce retention times by using a smaller main or a smaller sump);

   b) effect of hydraulic surge and cyclic loading on fatigue life of the material (copies of calculations/reports on surge analysis should be sent to the water company);

   c) the effect of air accumulating at high points in the system (it may be necessary to include a special air release valve);

   d) the drawing in of air after running pump units "on snore" (it may be necessary to include a special air release valve);

   e) provision should be made for access for cleansing; and

   f) washout facilities at any low points.

4. In all cases, a separate manhole and short section of gravity sewer should be constructed at the end of the rising main to enable the flow to gravitate to a manhole on the existing public sewer. Detailed design of the entry arrangements should ensure that sewer maintenance operations can be undertaken at the manhole without difficulty and avoid turbulence which could cause gas formation, surcharge or flooding.

5. Where the drainage from a single property is pumped, the rising main should discharge upstream of the demarcation chamber and the lateral drain should be a gravity pipeline, where practicable.
D6.4  Structural Design and Integrity of Rising Mains

1. Rising mains should be designed in accordance with B7.

D6.5  Materials of Rising Mains

1. Materials for rising mains should conform to the recommendations of B8.

D6.6  Construction of Rising Mains

1. Construction of the rising main should comply with the requirements of Part E.

D6.7  Testing of Rising Mains

1. Testing of the rising main should comply with the requirements of Part E.

D7  DESIGN OF PUMPING STATIONS

D7.1  General

1. The pumping station should be designed to operate in the following modes:

   a) automatic mode – in this mode of operation the control system operates the pumping station automatically, without need for manual intervention;
   b) manual mode – in this mode of operation, the control system is overridden and the operator can operate the pump units manually via the push-button switches mounted on the door of the electrical assembly (Form 2) or motor starter compartments (Form 4).

2. The pumping station control system should allow for auto reset in the event of a power failure.

3. The relays within the level control unit should be configured to achieve the following pump unit control philosophy based on four level set points (L1 to L4):

   a) level rising through "snore" level (L1) – no action;
   b) level rising through "duty/standby pump unit stop" level (L2) – no action;
   c) level rising through “duty pump unit start” level (L3) – start duty pump unit;
   d) level rising through “standby pump unit start” level (L4) - stop duty pump unit and start standby pump unit;
   e) level falling through “standby pump unit start” level (L4) – no action;
   f) level falling through “duty pump unit start” level (L3) – no action;
   g) level falling through “duty/standby pump unit stop” level (L2) – stop duty pump unit if duty pump unit running or stop standby pump unit if standby pump unit running;
   h) level falling through "snore" level – inhibit both pump units (L1).

4. Plant and equipment should be reliable, efficient and capable of operating between the manufacturer's recommended service intervals without attention or inspection (apart from the necessity to clear pump unit blockages, should these arise).
5. During phased developments, where the initial foul sewage flow rate is likely to be significantly below the design flow rate when the development is complete, septicity can occur at the pumping station or at the discharge point from the rising main. This problem should be avoided by careful design of the wet well sump and/or by provision of chemical dosing facilities.

**D7.2 Hazardous Areas**

1. Parts of a sewage pumping station can be hazardous zones, in accordance with the Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002 (DSEAR). A risk assessment, taking into account any guidance from the water company, should be carried out in accordance with these Regulations. This should be discussed with the water company at an early stage.

2. Equipment installed in hazardous areas will need to take account of the Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002 (DSEAR). Appropriate measures should be taken to limit the extent of the hazardous area, see F1.1.

3. Wet wells should be assumed to be a Zone 1 atmosphere, unless the risk assessment (taking into account any guidance from the water company) shows that protection to a less hazardous zone is appropriate for compliance with the Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002 (DSEAR).

**D7.3 Wet Well - General**

1. The shape of the wet well should be designed so that solid matter does not accumulate.

2. The design of the wet well and the sewer inlet arrangement should ensure satisfactory flow conditions to the pump units and avoid the formation of damaging vortices. This is best achieved by installing the incoming sewer on the centreline between the submersible pump units. An inlet baffle or drop tube terminating above the start level may be provided for the sewer inlet to prevent excessive aeration of sewage or interference with ultrasonic beams used for level sensing.

3. Benching should be provided to eliminate "dead zones" in the wet well where siltation would otherwise occur. Benching should start no more than 100 mm from the pump unit volute. The slope of the benching should not be flatter than 60° to the horizontal. The area under the pump should be as small as possible to ensure effective well cleansing; flat floor areas should be kept to a minimum. The wet well diameter should be kept to a minimum to reduce the amount of benching required.

4. The base of the pumping station may be made from a pre-formed concrete base (incorporating benching), a preformed plastic base, or an in-situ formed concrete base. However, it is essential that whatever system is employed, adequate benching is provided in the wet well to eliminate "dead zones".

5. The design of the wet well and the sewer inlet arrangement should ensure the following:

   a) the formation of free surface and submerged vortices, which are damaging to the pump units, is avoided;

   b) flow is presented to the pump units in accordance with the pump manufacturer’s recommendations and without excessive pre-swirl or air entrainment; and
c) the wet well is materially self-cleansing in terms of grit, solids and, as far as practicable, positive buoyancy material.

6. The wet well should be designed, as far as practicable, to eliminate the need for man-entry for maintenance. No permanent ladder or step rungs should be located in the wet well.

7. Provision for isolating the incoming flow by means of a hand-operated valve or penstock should be located in a chamber immediately upstream of the wet well and not in the wet well itself.

8. A typical general arrangement of a wet well two pump unit station is shown in Figure D 4.

9. Pipework within the wet well should be ductile iron. Corrosion protection should comply with the relevant requirements within the ‘Water Industry Mechanical Electrical Specification (WIMES) 4.01 – Paints and Polymeric Coatings for Corrosion Protection’ published by ESR Technology, 2005.

D7.4 Wet Well – Structural Design

1. Clauses D7.4.2 to D7.4.5 give guidance on the structural design of reinforced concrete wet wells.

2. The minimum factor of safety against flotation for empty structures subject to groundwater pressure is 1.1. This should only be used where the maximum groundwater level can be assessed accurately or a design groundwater level at finished ground level is being used.

3. Precast concrete should conform to BS 5911-3 or BS EN 1917. Joints between precast components should provide equivalent water resistance, as specified in BS EN 1992-3. The wet well should be surrounded with not less than 150 mm thickness of Grade GEN3 concrete unless 125 mm minimum wide wall units are used, in which case (and in accordance with manufacturers’ instructions) a concrete surround may not be necessary.

4. If constructed of concrete, it should be designed in accordance with BS EN 1992-3. The cover slab should either be manufactured to BS 5911 or designed to BS EN 1992-1-1 (with an applied loading equal to accidental wheel loading) and a minimum concrete cover to reinforcement of 40 mm, provided this meets the requirements of BS 8500-1 and BRE Special Digest 1. All concrete water-retaining/excluding structures should be designed to satisfy cracking requirements for flexural and thermal loading. The standard concrete mix based upon BS 8500 is C28/35 – general water-retaining (and watertight) structural applications. Reinforcement should be designation H high yield steel with a design stress of 500 N per mm².

5. Where the wet well is constructed from flexible materials, the water company should be consulted for detailed requirements.

6. Where a rising main passes through the wall of a structure, the pipe manufacturer’s recommendation should be followed to safeguard the integrity of the main from differential settlement/movement.
D7.5 Valve Chamber

1. The valve chamber should be separate from the wet well, but may be structurally attached to the wet well. Valves should not be installed in the wet well.

2. For Type 1 pumping stations with a rising main length less than 5 m and where there is no risk of surcharge of the outfall from the rising main, no valves are necessary.

3. Depending on pumping station type, the valve chamber should house the following:
   a) for any type of pumping station, one gate valve per pump unit mounted horizontally in the pump unit outlet pipework and arranged to isolate the pump units from the rising main;
   b) for any type of pumping station, one check valve per pump unit mounted horizontally in the pump unit outlet pipework upstream of the gate valves and arranged to prevent mass flow reversal under normal operating conditions; and
   c) for Type 2 and Type 3 pumping stations, a gate valve and 100 mm diameter female Bauer coupling, mounted vertically in a tee piece in the rising main, downstream of the gate and check valves. This should be suitable for connecting to a flexible hose to allow a mobile pump to pump into the rising main during plant maintenance or failure.

4. The valve chamber should be provided with a hand-operated valve with a gravity drain into the wet well. This discharge drain should be protected to ensure flows of flammable atmospheres cannot enter the valve chamber from the wet well. The method of protection should be determined by the risk assessment carried out in accordance with the Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002 (DSEAR).

5. Valves should comply with the Specification given in F4 and be fitted with extension spindles up to the underside of the cover and a "T" key provided for operation, without entering the valve chamber.

6. The opening covers should extend over the full valve chamber.

7. The valve chamber should have a maximum depth of 1.5 m from cover level to floor of the valve chamber. A typical valve chamber arrangement is shown in Figure D 4.

D7.6 Flow Metering

1. For Type 3 pumping stations where the pump design flow rate of any pump unit is greater than 70 litres per second, a flowmeter should be provided in the valve chamber or in a separate chamber to monitor discharge performance.

2. Any separate flowmeter chamber should be a minimum of 1200 mm diameter, located near to the valve chamber. It should include:
   a) a flowmeter positioned in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations;
   b) a rising main isolation valve ("T"-key operated), in accordance with F4.3; and
   c) a 100 mm diameter drain to the valve chamber.
D7.7   Access into Wet Well, Valve Chambers and Flowmeter Chambers

1. Openings in access covers should be large enough to allow for pump units, valves and flow meters to be lifted easily and safely out of the wet well/chamber for above-ground inspection, maintenance or replacement. Openings should not be smaller than 600 mm x 600 mm.

2. Openings should have the following features:

   a) covers should be lockable and fabricated from galvanized steel, finished flush with the cover slab and provide a non-slip surface;
   b) hinged covers are normally preferred. The hinged cover should incorporate a facility for securing a recessed padlock;
   c) covers and safety grids should comply with E2.32;
   d) for pumping stations greater than 1.5 m deep, a hinged safety grid in two sections should be provided;
   e) for Types 1 and 2 pumping stations and Type 3 pumping stations not in a compound, the safety grid should be provided with a 225 mm diameter slot to allow a suction hose to pass through;
   f) provision should be made within the frame to enable the main cover to be closed whilst the pump unit and any attached cables are removed;
   g) unless the lifting arrangements allow any equipment removed to be moved away from the top of the chamber, closure of the cover should be possible with the pump unit at a minimum height above the frame to provide a safe working platform for maintenance, in accordance with Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations (LOLER), 1998;
   h) the cover frame should provide facilities for demountable handrailing which can be erected prior to any maintenance on the pump units being undertaken. Depending on the site conditions, the handrail can be fixed permanently but with removable sections to allow pump unit removal. Chains should not be used for handrails; and
   i) the handrails should withstand an impact load of 125 kg from a height of 1.85 m through a footprint of 400 mm. Handrails should be capable of being released to allow access to the equipment from all sides. The stanchion sockets within the frame should be flush with the concrete slab and be sealed to prevent debris entering when not in use.

3. Where the wet well cannot be vented through the upstream sewer system, ventilation should be provided in accordance with one of the following methods:

   a) the installation of a stack with a minimum diameter of 75 mm and a minimum height of 4 m with a galvanized mild steel mesh at the top;
   b) if security fencing is provided, the water company may allow holes/slots to be drilled in the chequer plate before galvanizing or may permit the use of open mesh flooring made from galvanized steel. Alternatively, an air inlet/outlet vent should be provided and positioned at least 3 m from the kiosk/building and a minimum of 15 m from any habitable building.

The selection of the method of venting should take into account the risk of odour nuisance.
4. Vent pipes should open at the "high point(s)" of the wet well. Bends in vent pipes should be large radius; elbow bends should not be used. Vent pipes should be installed in such a way to avoid them becoming ineffective due to trapped water (rain, condensation, etc.) and the outlet of the vent stack should be fitted with a grille and a mushroom shield. The external shape and colour of the vent stack should comply with local planning requirements and conform to architectural features of similar local installations.

5. Where the wet well is deeper than 1.2 m, stainless steel number 1.4401 to BS EN 10088-1 fixings should be provided for a temporary ladder for man-entry into the wet well. These fixings should be located centrally, opposite the pump unit guide rails.

6. Access to below-ground valve chambers or flowmeter chambers should be by plastic encapsulated steel double step rungs conforming to BS EN 13101, when deeper than 600 mm.

D7.8 Cable Ducts

1. Cable ducts should be provided to route cables underground, see F3.4.4.

D7.9 Davit Sockets

1. Davit sockets should be designed and positioned to provide lifting equipment with a vertical pull on the pump unit lifting attachments, to enable pump units to be readily raised or lowered on their guide rail.

2. Davit sockets should be rated to lift twice the weight of each pump unit, subject to a minimum safe working load of 500 kg. Davit sockets should be load tested in-situ and a test certificate, which is in accordance with the water company's requirements, should be provided.

3. To prevent the ingress of water and debris into davit sockets, cover plates flush with the top of the surrounding concrete should be provided.

D7.10 Kiosk

1. The kiosk should, as a minimum, enclose the following equipment:
   a) the electricity distribution network operator’s supply and metering equipment. This should be housed in a separate section of the kiosk;
   b) the electrical assembly;
   c) the telemetry outstation;
   d) a kiosk heating and lighting system; and
   e) a RCD switched 240 V socket.

D7.11 Kiosk Construction

1. The kiosk should be of a non-"walk-in" design with an open base and a one-piece roof that slopes to its rear.
2. The walls and doors of the kiosk should be constructed from GRP encapsulated, marine quality plywood panels with a minimum thickness of 18 mm. Panels should be joined together using stainless steel bolts and any gaps between panels sealed with a non-biodegradable mastic sealer. The edges of the kiosk doors and door frames should be stiffened by encapsulated steel sections.

3. Where necessary, to support the electrical assembly and all associated equipment, either:
   a) the rear wall of the kiosk should be stiffened by encapsulated steel sections; or
   b) a suitably-sized, 18 mm thick, varnished, marine quality, plywood backboard, meeting the requirements of BS 1088-1, should be fitted to the rear internal wall of the kiosk.

4. Where a) above is selected in D7.11.3 above, a suitably-sized, 18 mm thick, varnished, marine quality, plywood backboard should also be fitted to the rear internal wall of the kiosk to accommodate the electricity distribution network operator’s incoming supply and metering equipment.

5. The walls of the kiosk should have turned bottom flanges, suitably drilled to accommodate the bolts for securing the kiosk to a 100 mm rebate in the plinth. The bolt holes should be reinforced with 5 mm thick, galvanized steel plates, encapsulated within the bottom flanges.

6. The quality of kiosk construction should ensure the following:
   a) the thermal transmittance of the kiosk should not exceed 1.5 W per m²K;
   b) the fire resistance (retention of stability, integrity and insulation) of the kiosk should be Class 2 in accordance with BS 476-7, when tested in accordance with BS 476-20 to 23 for a period of over half an hour; and
   c) the kiosk should have an IP rating of IP55 (minimum) or an equivalent.

7. Alternative forms of kiosk construction instead of GRP encapsulated marine quality plywood (e.g., steel) may be used in locations subject to vandalism risk (as advised by local police).

8. The doors of the kiosk should be fitted with vandal-proof, stainless steel hinges and self-latching stays to restrain the doors in the fully-open position (minimum opening angle of 90°). One door should have stainless steel shoot bolts at the top and bottom.

9. Unless planning conditions dictate otherwise, the preferred exterior colour of the kiosk should be BS 4800 14C 39 (Dark Green).

10. The preferred interior colour of the kiosk should be BS 4800 00E 55 (White).

11. Suitably-sized weather-proof and vermin-proof ventilation grilles with fly screens, should be fitted at low level on one side of the kiosk and at high level on the opposite side of the kiosk to ensure cross-ventilation. Consideration should be given to the equipment being installed within the kiosk to minimise heat or humidity generated by that equipment. Ventilation should be sufficient to restrict the temperature in the kiosk, under all weather conditions, to a maximum of 40°C at any one time, and to an average of 35°C over 24 hours.
12. A separate compartment should be provided within the main kiosk construction, with separate external access from the rest of the kiosk, for the regional electricity supplier’s meter, fuses, etc., and bulkhead light.

13. In Type 3 pumping stations, a small door or "cat-flap" should be fitted in the wall of the kiosk opposite the electrical assembly to provide access for standby generator facilities. The "cat-flap" should be large enough to pass the standby generator cable and connector, and be horizontally hinged at the top. The "cat-flap" should open outwards and be lockable in the closed position from inside the kiosk with internal shoot bolts.

14. The kiosk doors should be fitted with a multipoint locking system with hasp and staple. The hasp and staple should be at least 90 mm long horizontally, 30 mm wide vertically and be suitable for a 30 mm padlock as a minimum.

15. Where specified by the water company, the kiosk should meet the required security rating in accordance with the Loss Prevention Certification Board Standard 1175.

16. The following notices/information plates should, as a minimum, be fitted to the kiosk:
   
   a) a notice giving instructions for resuscitation after electric shock to be fixed to the inside of a kiosk door;
   
   b) in Type 3 pumping stations, a notice giving instructions for connection and use of a standby generator, including instructions for changing back to the mains supply following restoration of supply, to be fixed to the inside of a kiosk door;
   
   c) an information plate giving information relating to the pump units (serial/curve numbers, FLC, duty head and flow, etc.), the setting levels of the ultrasonic level controller and the diameter and length of the rising main to be fixed, to the inside of a kiosk door;
   
   d) a complete set of wiring diagrams for the electrical assembly to be fixed to the inside of a kiosk door in a weatherproof envelope;
   
   e) a standard, black engraved on yellow "DANGER – electrical apparatus" (with flash symbol on a triangle) notice to be fixed to the exterior of a kiosk door. The highest voltage within the kiosk should be indicated on this label or adjacent. In Type 3 pumping stations, the notice should be manufactured from a durable plastic material and have dimensions of not less than 200 mm x 150 mm; and
   
   f) an information plate giving the name of the site, the developer’s contact name and emergency contact telephone number to be fixed to the exterior of a kiosk door. The notice should be manufactured from a durable plastic material and have dimensions of not less than 200 mm x 150 mm.

D7.12 Kiosk Mounting Arrangements

1. The kiosk should be mounted 150 mm above the finished ground level on a concrete plinth. The plinth should extend a minimum of 125 mm beyond the kiosk walls and have chamfered edges.

2. The surface of the plinth should be sufficiently level to ensure that the kiosk will seat correctly on the plinth and that the kiosk doors will open and close without any fouling or forcing.
3. All fasteners and shims required to secure the kiosk to the plinth should be manufactured from stainless steel. The fasteners should be stainless steel expanding bolt type, complete with large washers to prevent damage to the GRP flange. They should be located at suitable intervals to prevent flange distortion.

4. The bottom flange of the kiosk and plinth should be sealed with a mastic sealant to prevent water ingress.
Figure D 4
Typical arrangement of a wet well submersible pumping station and valve chamber

Minimum 200 mm grade GEN3 concrete surround, base and cover slab (designed to BRE Special Digest 1 Concrete in Aggressive Ground)

Precast concrete chamber sections complying with Clause E2.29 or Plastic chamber units complying with Clause E3.21

Rocker pipe

Benching 60° minimum slope

Start level

Concrete plinth for seating cover frame

Cable ducts, as required

Hinged cover

Gate valves

Check valve

Blinding concrete

Grade GEN3 concrete support stool

Gravity drain to wet well with hand-operated valve

Pump guide rails

150 mm grade GEN3 concrete base (designed to BRE Special Digest 1 Concrete in Aggressive Ground)

Support stool

Submersible sewage pump

Blinding concrete

100 mm maximum

6000 maximum

1500 mm maximum

Walls either 225 mm brickwork or 200 mm grade GEN3 concrete or precast concrete (designed to BRE Special Digest 1 Concrete in Aggressive Ground)

Flexible couplings

Support stool

Pump delivery pipework to be in line with inlet sewer

Flange adaptors

1800 mm minimum

2400 mm minimum

Bauer coupling on gate valve on tee on stool (where required)

Flange adaptor

Sectional Plan

Not to scale, dimensions in millimetres
PART E – CIVIL ENGINEERING SPECIFICATION
INTRODUCTION

Part E is drawn from 'CESWI' 7th edition but is not a full reproduction of the same, and is supplemented by additional information. Any Clauses in this Part which relate to workmanship or materials not required shall be deemed not to apply.

The Clause headings and marginal Notes for Guidance (found in italics to the left of some Clauses) are not part of the Specification.

Where additional Clauses are required, appropriate ones may be available in the 'Civil Engineering Specification for the Water Industry' ('CESWI' 7th edition at the time of publication).

A relevant European Standard (EN) is any European Standard covering the subject which is in force in the European Union. In the UK, ENs are published as BS ENs. A Water Industry Specification (WIS) may be used when there is no relevant European Standard (EN), British Standard (BS) or equivalent available.

A European Standard, British Standard or equivalent is not normally available in the case of newly-developed products but this is not to be seen as inhibiting the use of such products. Water Industry Specifications deal with products such as these and are identified in Appendix IV of this guidance. However, in the case of any newly-developed product for which no European Standard, British Standard or Water Industry Specification (or the equivalent of either) exists, care should be taken to ensure that the product is fit for purpose. This might be achieved by using products which have been assessed by an independent body. The British Board of Agrément (BBA) is authorised to issue European Technical Approvals under the provisions of the Construction Products Directive (89/106/EEC).

Developers are advised to discuss the use of newly-developed products with the water company at the earliest opportunity.

Additional quality assurance requirements, including third party certification, may be sought by the water company as a cost-effective means of ensuring compliance with Standards. BSi Kitemarking is an example of third party certification.

All water companies have a formalised process for the approval of products that are not covered by (as opposed to not complying with) European Standards, British Standards or Water Industry Specifications. If the developer wishes any such product to be considered for use on his site, this should be referred to the relevant developer services/network development/sewer adoptions manager who will outline the necessary arrangements for its approval.
E1 GENERAL

E1.1 Drawings
1. One copy of the Drawings shall be kept on the site and shall be available for use by the water company.

2. All levels on the Drawings shall be related to Ordnance Survey Newlyn Datum. Details shall be provided of the level and location of the temporary benchmarks and reference points which are proposed to be used.

E1.2 Setting Out
1. The developer shall be responsible for setting out the Works and for the correctness of the position and dimensions of all parts of the Works.

E1.3 Quality of Materials, Workmanship and Tests
1. All materials and workmanship shall be subjected, from time to time, to such tests as the water company may direct.

2. If required by the water company, a list of the developer’s proposed suppliers and sources of materials required for the execution of the Works shall be submitted to the water company. Samples shall be taken in accordance with the appropriate British Standard, where applicable.

E1.4 Examination of Work
1. The water company shall be afforded the opportunity to examine any work which is about to be covered up or put out of view, and to examine foundations before permanent work is to be placed thereon.

2. At least one clear working day’s notice shall be given to the water company before any formation is covered with permanent work and before testing any pipeline.

E1.5 Existing Public Sewers
1. All necessary precautions shall be taken to avoid causing any damage to, or interference with flow in, existing public sewers and shall ensure that debris, silt and mud, etc., do not enter the sewer. All necessary precautions shall be taken to avoid misconnection to existing public sewers.

(i) The Contract should prescribe the datum level for the Works, together with any master benchmarks. Precise reference of the Works to existing features or to the Ordnance Survey National Grid should be shown.

(ii) Local differences can arise between GPS and OS coordinates.
E1.6 Safety in Sewers

1. Where work is required to be carried out within or adjacent to any sewer, there shall be regard of the relevant provisions of ‘The Classification and Management of Confined Space Entries’ published by Water UK.

E1.7 British and European Standards and Other Documents

1. Any reference to a Standard published by BSi, or to the specification of another body, shall be construed equally as reference to an equivalent one. Submissions shall be in accordance with the latest published Standard which is current on the date the submission is made.

E2 MATERIALS

E2.1 Storage of Materials

1. Materials and components shall be stored in such a manner as to preserve their quality and condition to the standards required by the Specification.

E2.2 Handling and Use of Materials

1. Materials and components shall be handled in such a manner as to avoid any damage or contamination, and in accordance with all applicable recommendations of the manufacturers.

2. Unless otherwise described in the Specification, the use, installation, application or fixing of materials and components shall be in accordance with all applicable recommendations of the manufacturers. Where appropriate, any technical advisory services offered by manufacturers shall be used.

E2.3 Water

1. Water for use with cement shall be of wholesome quality.

E2.4 Aggregates for Concrete

1. Aggregates for concrete shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 12620, PD 6682-1 and BS 8500-2.

2. The water absorption of aggregates for concrete designed to retain an aqueous liquid shall not exceed 3% when measured in accordance with BS EN 1097-6.
3. The proportion of coarse recycled aggregate and coarse recycled concrete aggregate shall not exceed 20% by mass of the total coarse aggregate in concrete. Fine recycled aggregate or fine recycled concrete aggregate shall not be used in concrete.

4. Recycled aggregates and recycled concrete aggregates shall only be used in contact with raw or potable water where it has been demonstrated that they are suitable for this application.

E2.5 Aggregates for High-strength Concrete Topping

1. Aggregates for high-strength concrete topping (granolithic finish) shall comply with BS EN 12620 and PD 6682-1 and be 10 mm nominal size, graded in accordance with Table E.1 in PD 6682-1 and shall have a Los Angeles Coefficient of no greater than 30.

E2.6 Sands for Mortar and Grout

1. Sands for mortar and grout shall comply with BS EN 13139 and PD 6682-3.

2. Sands for external rendering shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 13139 and PD 6682-3.

3. All sands required to comply with BS EN 12620 and PD 6682-1, or BS EN 13139 and PD 6682-3 shall be washed sands.

E2.7 Ground Granulated Blastfurnace Slag

1. Ground granulated blastfurnace slag (ggbfs) for use with Portland cement shall comply with BS EN 15167-1.

2. Ground granulated blastfurnace slag for use with cementitious materials shall have an alumina (Al₂O₃) content not exceeding 14% by mass.

E2.8 Pulverised-fuel Ash

1. Pulverised-fuel ash (pfa) for use as a component material in cementitious grout or non-structural concrete shall comply with BS EN 450-1.

E2.9 Cement

1. Cement shall either:

a) be factory-produced by the cement manufacturer and comply with the provisions of the appropriate Standard, as Table E 1; or
(ii) BRE Special Digest 1, ‘Concrete in Aggressive Ground’ deals with chemical resistance classification.

(iii) For a comprehensive specification for cement see ‘CESWI’ 7th edition.

Table E 1

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<td>Portland (CEM1)</td>
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<td>Sulphate-resisting Portland (CEM III/A + SR)</td>
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b) be combinations, complying with BS 8500-1 Annex A, of CEM 1 cement conforming to BS EN 197-1 and fly ash conforming to BS EN 450-1 or blast furnace slag conforming to BS EN 15167-1.

E2.10 Lime for Mortar

1. Lime for mortar shall be in the form of lime putty, complying with the relevant provisions of BS EN 459-1.

E2.11 Cement Grouts

1. Cement grout for filling drains which are to be abandoned shall be mixed in the relevant proportions indicated in Table E 2, using the minimum quantity of water to ensure the necessary fluidity and to render it capable of penetrating the work.

Table E 2

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<th>Class</th>
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2. Cement grout shall be used within one hour of mixing, except where containing a retardant admixture.

3. Cement grout for fixing inserts and below plant bases shall include an approved expanding additive.

4. Foamed concrete may be used for filling of abandoned sewers and sewer connections, subject to the approval of the water company.

(i) The alternative mixes are broadly equivalent (see Table 3 of PD 6678) but the use of lime putty or plasticiser gives additional plasticity (see BS EN 998-1 and BS EN 998-2).

E2.12 Mortar

1. Mortar shall be mixed only as and when required, in the relevant proportions indicated in Table E 3, until its colour and consistency are uniform. The constituent materials shall be accurately gauged, allowance being made for bulking of sand.
(ii) The cement:lime:sand mortar is consistent with Category 1.12 of BS EN 998-1 and BS EN 998-2 and, together with the cement:sand:mortar, is consistent with Designation (i) ready-to-use mortar in BS EN 998-2.

(i) For a comprehensive specification for reinforcement, see 'CESWI' 7th edition.

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### Table E 3

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<th>Alternative Nominal Mixes by Volume</th>
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<td>Cement:lime:sand</td>
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2. Ready-mixed lime, sand for mortar and ready-to-use retarded mortar shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 998-1 and BS EN 998-2 and be of Category 1.12 and Designation (i), respectively.

3. All mortar shall be conveyed fresh to the Works as required for use. Mortar which has begun to set or which has been site-mixed for a period of more than one hour shall not be used. Plasticising and set-retarding mortar admixtures shall comply with BS EN 934-3 and shall be supplied with instructions for use.

#### E2.13 Steel Reinforcement

1. Steel reinforcement shall comply with the relevant provisions of the appropriate British Standard, as set out below:

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<td>Steel wires</td>
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<td>Steel fabric</td>
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<td>Stainless steel</td>
<td>BS 6744</td>
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<td>Epoxy coated steel</td>
<td>BS ISO 14654 &amp; BS ISO 14656</td>
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2. Steel fabric reinforcement shall be welded at the intersections and shall be delivered to the site in flat sheets, except where pre-bent reinforcement is specified.

3. Steel reinforcement shall be obtained from suppliers holding a valid Certificate of Approval for the manufacture and/or fabrication of steel reinforcement issued by the UK Certification Authority for Reinforcing Steels or equivalent authority. The CARES, or equivalent, Certificate of Approval Number shall be stated on all appropriate purchase documentation.

#### E2.14 Tying Wire

1. Tying wire for steel reinforcement shall be 1.6 mm diameter annealed mild soft steel wire, complying with BS 1052.
E2.15  Cover Blocks and Spacers for Reinforcement

1. Cover blocks and spacers shall comply with BS 7973-1. To maintain the correct clear cover of concrete over steel reinforcement, they shall be as small as possible, consistent with their purpose, and of a shape acceptable to the water company.

2. Concrete cover blocks shall be manufactured with a 10 mm maximum aggregate size and otherwise produced to the same specification as the surrounding concrete. Wire cast in the block for the purpose of tying it to the reinforcement shall comply with E2.14.

3. Spacers shall be of rust-proof material and shall not produce staining or otherwise be detrimental to the concrete or steel.

E2.16  Precast Concrete Products

(i) Where necessary, the surface finish should be shown on the Drawings.

1. Constituent materials of precast concrete products shall comply with the relevant requirements of this Specification, except where an appropriate European or British Standard includes specified requirements to the contrary.

2. Except where otherwise agreed or specified in a relevant European or British Standard, the surface finish of precast concrete products shall be Rough Finish for surfaces next to earth and Fair Finish elsewhere.

3. Precast concrete slabs and cover frame seating rings shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 1917 and BS 5911-3.

E2.17  Plastic Sheeting and Sleeving

1. Plastic sheeting for waterproof underlay shall be free from tears and voids, and be substantially free from pinholes and other discontinuities. It shall have a composition in accordance with BS 6076 and a minimum nominal film thickness of 250 µm.

E2.18  Vitrified Clay Pipes and Fittings

(i) IGN 4-11-01 deals with vitrified clay pipes and fittings.

(ii) The type of joint and jointing materials for extra chemically-resistant pipes should be shown on the Drawings.

1. Vitrified clay pipes and fittings for sewers shall have flexible mechanical joints. Pipes for foul sewers and surface water sewers shall comply with the relevant requirements of BS EN 295-1 and BS 65 (surface water pipes only).

2. Extra chemically-resistant pipes and fittings shall comply with the additional requirements of BS 65.

3. Vitrified clay jacking pipes shall conform to BS EN 295-7.
E2.19  Concrete Pipes and Fittings

1. Unreinforced and reinforced concrete pipes and fittings shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 1916 and BS 5911-1 and shall be manufactured from concrete with a Design Chemical Class DC-4 unless the water company can be satisfied that a lower class will resist attack from soils and groundwater.

2. All pipes and fittings shall have gasket-type joints of spigot and socket or rebated form.

3. Unreinforced and reinforced concrete jacking pipes shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 1916 and BS 5911-1. Pipes shall withstand the jacking loads to which they will be subjected during installation, without cracking or spalling. A certificate shall be supplied, confirming that the pipes are suitable for jacking and stating the distributed jacking loads for which they were designed.

E2.20  Ductile Iron Pipes and Fittings

1. Ductile iron pipes, fittings and joints shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 598.

2. Flanges for pipes and pipeline fittings shall comply with BS EN 1092-2 for ductile iron.

3. Factory-applied coatings shall be in accordance with BS ISO 8179-1 and BS ISO 8179-2. The pipes shall be coated with a zinc-aluminium spray with an epoxy finishing layer.

4. Factory-applied and site-applied (tubular) polyethylene sleeving shall be in accordance with BS 6076.

5. Tubular polyethylene film for use as a loose protective sleeving for buried iron pipes and fittings shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS 6076, except that the nominal layflat width shall be 280 mm for use with 80 mm and 100 mm nominal internal diameter pipelines incorporating push-in flexible joints, and 400 mm for 150 mm nominal internal diameter pipelines. Sleeving for pipes for below-ground use for potable water shall be coloured blue and all other sleeving black. Joints in sleeving shall be taped so as to form a continuous barrier and any damage to the sleeving shall be repaired prior to backfilling.

E2.21  Thermoplastics Solid Wall Pipes and Fittings for Gravity Sewers

1. Thermoplastics pipes, joints and fittings for gravity sewers shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 1401-1 (PVC-U), BS EN 1852-1 (PP), or BS EN 12666-1 (PE) as appropriate.

2. Ancillary drainage fittings shall comply with BS EN 13598-1 or BS 4660, as appropriate.
E2.22  Thermoplastics Structured Wall Pipe

1. Thermoplastics structured wall sewer pipe shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 13476-1 and WIS 4-35-01 and BS EN 13476-2 or BS EN 13476-3. Pipes shall be BSi Kitemarked or have equivalent third party certification.

2. Pipes less than or equal to 500 mm in diameter shall have nominal short-term ring stiffness not less than 8 kN per m$^2$ (SN8) or be subject to a quality system for storage and embedment.

3. Nominal short-term ring stiffness of 2 kN per m$^2$ (SN2) is acceptable for pipes greater than 500 mm in diameter, subject to structural design load calculations in accordance with BS EN 1295 which shall be provided to support this.

4. Maximum length of pipe for laying is 3 m or 10 x DN, whichever is the greater.

E2.23  Polyethylene Pressure Pipes and Fittings for Pressure Sewers

1. Polyethylene pressure pipes for rising mains shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 12201-2. The colour shall be black.

2. Polyethylene fittings, including fittings for butt fusion and electrofusion fittings, shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 12201-3.

E2.24  Joint Seals and Lubricants

1. Elastomeric joint seals shall be Type WC or WG, complying with the relevant provisions of BS EN 681-1 or TPE seals complying with BS EN 681-2, and shall be obtained from the pipe manufacturer.

2. Joint lubricants for sliding joints shall have no deleterious effect on either the joint rings or pipes, and shall be unaffected by sewage.

3. In the case of composite seals, the requirements apply only to those components exposed to the contents of the pipeline or pipework.

E2.25  Pipe Surround Materials

1. Processed granular and "as-dug" bedding, sidefill and surround materials for buried pipelines shall comply with WIS 4-08-02.

2. Processed recycled granular bed and surround materials shall comply with BS EN 13242.

(i) IGN 4-08-01 gives guidance on pipe surround materials.

(ii) Any limitations on the size and type of materials should be described.

(iii) The Environment Agency/WRAP "Quality Protocol -
Aggregates from Inert Waste can be used by producers to demonstrate the suitability of aggregates.

E2.26 Precast Concrete Setting Blocks for Pipes

1. Precast concrete setting blocks for pipes shall have rectangular faces, with sufficient plan area to prevent punching of the blinding concrete or formation and to provide an adequate seating for the pipes. They shall be manufactured from compressive strength C16/20 concrete using the same type of cement as in the adjacent concrete bed. Blocks shall not be used until they have achieved a cube strength of 13.5 N per mm$^2$.

E2.27 Compressible Filler and Packing for Pipelines

1. Compressible filler for interrupting concrete protection to pipes shall consist of bitumen-impregnated insulating board to BS EN 622-1 and BS EN 622-4. The thickness of compressible filler shall be as Table E 5.

2. Compressible packing for use between pipes and precast concrete setting blocks shall consist of bitumen damp proof sheeting complying with BS EN 14967.

3. Bituminous materials shall not be put into contact with plastics pipes.

E2.28 Clay Puddle

1. Clay puddle shall be impervious to water and be free from sand, grit, stones and other deleterious matter.

2. The clay, on being dug, shall be exposed to the air for at least 24 hours and, thereafter, shall be worked with water into a consistency suitable for punning. A roll of clay 300 mm long and 40 mm in diameter shall support its own weight when suspended from one end.

E2.29 Precast Concrete Manholes

(i) Particular requirements from the options listed in BS EN 1917 and BS 5911-3 should be

1. Precast concrete manhole units shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 1917 and BS 5911–3 and shall be manufactured from concrete with a Design Chemical Class DC-4 unless the water...
shown on the Drawings.

(ii) Additional protective measures required by BRE Special Digest 1 to provide resistance to the actual ACEC (Aggressive Chemical Environment for Concrete class) should be described.

company can be satisfied that a lower class will resist attack from soils and groundwater. Units which bed into bases shall be manufactured so that imposed vertical loads are transmitted directly via the full wall thickness of the unit. The profiles of joints between units and the underside of slabs shall be capable of withstanding applied loadings from such slabs and spigot-ended sections shall only be used where the soffit of the slab is recessed to receive them.

2. Precast concrete chamber sections for valves and meters shall be interlocking and comply with BS EN 1917 and BS 5911-3.

3. Precast concrete corbel slabs shall comply BS 5911-3 Table 5 and Figure 8.

E2.30 Precast Concrete Manhole Components

1. Precast concrete shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 1917 and BS 5911-3.

2. Corbel slabs shall comply with the requirements of BS 5911-3:2010+A1:2014 Table 5 and Figure 8.

E2.31 Thermoplastics Manholes and Inspection Chambers

1. Thermoplastics manholes and inspection chambers shall comply with BS EN 13598-1 or BS EN 13598-2.

E2.32 Manhole Covers and Frames

1. Manhole covers and frames shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 124, BS 7903 and ‘Design Manual for Roads and Bridges 4.2 Part 5’ HA 104/09. They shall be of a non-rocking design. Covers that transfer the load to the frame at concentrated points (e.g. at the corners of covers) shall not use cushion inserts between the cover and the frame. Aluminium covers shall not be used.

2. Manhole covers on foul-only sewers shall be of low leakage types in order to prevent excessive surface water ingress.

3. As a minimum, Class D 400 covers shall be used in carriageways of roads (including pedestrian streets), hard shoulders, agricultural or recreational land and parking areas used by unrestricted types of road or pneumatic tyred agricultural vehicles.

4. Minimum frame depths for NRSWA road category Types 0 to 4 shall be as Table E 6. Manhole covers in shared driveways that could be subject to occasional loads from heavy vehicles (e.g., refuse vehicles) should meet the requirements for Type 4 roads.
The load test in BS EN 124 does not test frame load transfer or other factors related to durability in an appropriate way. Some D400 frames can outperform some E600 frames particularly on bedding performance.

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<td>Type 0</td>
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<td>10-30 msa</td>
<td>All other A roads</td>
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<td>Type 2</td>
<td>2.5-10 msa</td>
<td>Bus services</td>
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<td>up to 0.5 msa</td>
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5. Class B 125 shall be used in footways, pedestrian areas, driveways serving a single house and comparable locations.

6. In situations where traffic loading is anticipated to be heavier than would occur on a typical residential estate distributor road (i.e., braking or turning near a junction), a higher specification (E600) shall be used. This should comprise either a Class E600 cover or a D400 of a type that has been assessed and approved by the water company as having sufficient additional ruggedness to ensure durability.

7. All manhole covers shall be the non-ventilating type and shall have closed keyways.

8. All manhole covers and frames shall be provided with a prising slot to facilitate their removal.

9. Covers with a clear opening greater than 1m shall comply with BS 9124. Aluminium covers shall not be used.

10. Safety grids, where supplied, shall comply with the requirements of BS 9124. When lifted they shall be secure in the upright position. Aluminium safety grids shall not be used.

E2.33 Manhole Steps

1. Steps for manholes and other chambers shall be Type D Class 1, complying with the requirements of BS EN 13101.

2. Galvanized mild steel and plastic encapsulated steps are preferred.

(i) Unprotected aluminium steps should not be used.
E2.34 Nuts, Screws, Washers and Bolts

1. Nuts, screws, washers and bolts shall comply with the relevant provisions of the appropriate Standard, see Table E 7.

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<td>Metal washers for general purposes</td>
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<td>ISO black bolts, screws and nuts</td>
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<td>ISO precision bolts, screws and nuts</td>
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<td>High-strength friction grip bolts, nuts and washers</td>
<td>BS EN 14399-1</td>
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<td>Stainless steel bolts, screws and studs (Grade 1.4401)</td>
<td>BS EN ISO 3506-1</td>
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<td>Stainless steel nuts (Grade 1.4401)</td>
<td>BS EN ISO 3506-2</td>
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2. Bolting for pipes and fittings shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 1092-2 and BS EN 1515-1 except that spheroidal graphite iron bolts for use with ductile iron pipes and fittings shall be manufactured from metal complying with the provisions of BS EN 1563 and BS EN 1564 for Grade 500/7.

3. Bolt lengths and tightening torque shall be in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations and shall be sufficient to ensure that nuts are full-threaded when tightened in their final position with two threads showing.

4. Where bolting is metallurgically incompatible with the material being fixed, the contact areas shall be isolated either by painting with an approved silicon sealant (and allowed to dry before tightening together), or with suitable isolating washers, and sleeves shall be used.

5. Washers shall be provided under the head of the bolt and under the nut.

6. Unless manufactured from stainless steel, all fasteners shall be protected against corrosion, in accordance with WIS 4-52-03.

7. Bolts, nuts and washers for flanged joints shall comply with BS EN 1092 and shall be galvanized or have other protective coating as approved by the water company. Zinc plating is not acceptable as a means of corrosion protection.

E2.35 Safety Chains
1. Safety chain shall be medium tolerance chain conforming to BS EN 818-3 Grade 4 nominal size 8 x 24.

2. After manufacture, mild steel safety chains shall be hot dip galvanized in accordance with BS EN ISO 1460 and BS EN ISO 1461.

3. Stainless steel safety chain shall be manufactured from Grade 1.4401 steel conforming to BS EN 10088-3.

4. When tested in accordance with BS EN 818-1, each chain shall withstand a breaking force of 30 kN and a proof force of 15 kN.

E2.36 Handrails and Balusters

1. Protective barriers shall conform to BS 6180 with loading determined from Table NA.8 from the UK National Annex to BS EN 1991-1-1.

2. Handrails and balusters shall be manufactured from materials conforming to the appropriate British Standard, as set out in Table E 8.

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<td>Mild steel – solid</td>
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<td>Mild steel – tubular</td>
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<td>Stainless steel – solid</td>
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3. GRP handrails and balusters shall be manufactured from pultruded sections conforming to BS EN 13706-2 and BS EN 13706-3. The surface shall be smooth with fibres embedded and sealed against penetration from dirt and water. The Barcol hardness of the sections shall be at least 35 when tested in accordance with BS EN 59.

4. After manufacture, mild steel handrails and balusters shall be hot dip galvanized in accordance with BS EN ISO 1461.

5. After manufacture, aluminium handrails and balusters shall be anodised in accordance with BS EN ISO 7599, Grade AA25.

E2.37 Ladders

1. Ladders in manholes and similar structures shall comply with the requirements of BS EN 14396, with width of rung 380 mm and two stringers, but shall not be made from aluminium.

2. Mild steel ladders for vertical fixing shall be fabricated from steel conforming to BS EN 10025-2. After fabrication, low carbon steel ladders shall be hot dip galvanized in accordance with BS EN ISO 1461.

3. Stainless steel ladders for vertical fixing shall be fabricated from
Grade 1.4401 steel conforming to BS EN 10088-3.

4. GRP ladders shall be manufactured from pultruded sections conforming to BS EN 13706-2 and BS EN 13706-3. The surface shall be smooth with fibres embedded and sealed against penetration from dirt and water. The Barcol hardness of the sections shall be at least 35 when tested in accordance with BS EN 59.

**E2.38 Fixings for Metalwork**

1. Mild steel bolts and nuts shall be hot dip galvanized in accordance with BS EN ISO 1461. Mild and high-tensile steel proprietary fixings shall be protected in accordance with the relevant provisions of the appropriate British Standard, see Table E 9.

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2. Stainless steel proprietary fixings, bolts and nuts shall be manufactured from Grade 1.4401 steel complying with BS EN 10088.

3. Anchor bolts for fixing safety chains shall be of the stainless steel safety type which shall provide a progressive mode of failure.

4. Axial and shear loading tests on structural fixings in concrete or masonry shall be carried out in accordance with the provisions of BS 5080-1 and BS 5080-2, respectively.

5. Where fixings are metallurgically incompatible with the material being fixed, suitable isolating washers and sleeves shall be used.

**E2.39 Bricks and Blocks**

1. Concrete bricks or blocks to be used in manholes and chambers shall be precast concrete masonry units, manufactured in accordance with BS 6073-2 (partially replaced by BS EN 772-2, containing a minimum of 350 kg per m$^3$ of sulphate-resisting cement and having a maximum water:cement ratio of 0.45, a minimum compressive strength
bonded using high-strength mortar (such as polyester resin).

of 40 N per mm², and a maximum water absorption of 7%.

2. Clay bricks to be used in manholes and chambers shall be solid, Class B engineering bricks complying with the relevant provisions of BS EN 771-1.

3. The shapes and dimensions of special bricks shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS 4729.

4. All bricks shall have freeze/thaw designation F2.

5. All bricks shall have active soluble salts content designation S2.

E2.40 Flexible Couplings

1. Flexible couplings for gravity sewerage and drainage pipes shall comply with the provisions of BS EN 16397.

E2.41 Joint Sealing Compounds and Sealants

1. Joint sealing compounds shall be impermeable ductile materials of a type suitable for the conditions of exposure in which they are to be placed, and capable of providing a durable, flexible and watertight seal by adhesion to the concrete throughout the range of joint movement.

2. Hot poured joint sealants shall comply with BS EN 14188-1, Type N1 sealant.

3. Cold poured polymer-based joint sealants shall comply with BS EN 14188-2, Normal Type N sealant.

4. Primers for use with joint sealants shall be compatible with, and obtained from the same manufacturer as, the adjacent sealant. Primers shall have no harmful effects on the surfaces to which the joint sealant is to be applied.

5. Sealants and primers which will be in contact with sewage shall be resistant to biodegradation.

6. Two-part, polyurethane joint sealants shall comply with the requirements of BS EN ISO 11600.

E2.42 Access Covers for Pumping Stations

1. Covers shall be lockable, galvanized and fabricated from mild steel or ductile iron.
E2.43  Granular Sub-base Material

1. Granular sub-base material shall be natural sands, gravels, crushed rock, crushed slag, crushed concrete or well burnt non-plastic shale. The material shall be well graded and lie within the following grading limits:

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2. Where granular sub-base material is to be used within 450 mm of the surface of any road, the material shall have a heave not greater than 15 mm when tested in accordance with BS 812-124.

3. Natural sands and gravels shall be permitted in Type 2 material. Natural sands up to 12% only shall be permitted in Type 1 material.

4. The particle size shall be determined by the washing and sieving method of BS EN 933-1. The material passing a 425 µm BS sieve, when tested in accordance with BS 1377-2, shall be non-plastic for Type 1 and have a Plasticity Index of less than 6 for Type 2.

5. With the exception of well burnt non-plastic shale, the material shall have a “ten per cent fines” value of 50 kN or more when tested in accordance with BS 812-111.

6. Type 1 material shall be delivered to site with a moisture content within + 1% and – 2% of optimum as determined in accordance with BS 5835-1, and shall be protected, so as to be maintained within this range, until its incorporation into the Works.

7. Recycled materials shall comply with all relevant Standards and 2.55.

8. Type 4 granular material shall be a crushed waste concrete product. The material shall lie within the grading envelope of Table 8 of the ‘Specification for Highway Works’, and not be gap graded.
E2.44 Geotextiles

1. Geotextiles for use in drainage systems shall comply with BS EN 13252 and the characteristics specified in the design. A declaration of performance for each product used shall be provided for approval prior to installation.

2. Geotextiles for use in erosion control shall comply with BS EN 13253 and the characteristics specified in the design. A declaration of performance for each product used shall be provided for approval prior to installation.

3. Geotextiles shall:
   a) in both machine and cross-machine directions, sustain a tensile load of not less than 8.0 kN/m at break and have a minimum failure strain of 40% when determined in accordance with BS EN ISO 10319;
   b) have a minimum puncture resistance of 1500 N when determined in accordance with BS EN ISO 12236;
   c) have a size distribution of pore openings such that it shall have a minimum apparent opening size \( O_{90} \) when determined in accordance with BS EN ISO 12956 of 75µm; and
   d) allow water to flow through it, in either direction, normal to its principal plane at a rate of not less than that stated in the design under a constant head of water of 100 mm and a maximum breakthrough head of 50 mm when determined in accordance with BS EN ISO 11058.

E2.45 Geosynthetics

1. Geosynthetic barriers for lining ponds and wetlands shall comply with BS EN 13361 and the characteristics specified in the design. A declaration of performance for each product used shall be provided for approval prior to installation.

2. Geosynthetic barriers for lining swales and other channels shall comply with BS EN 13362 and the characteristics specified in the design. A declaration of performance for each product used shall be provided for approval prior to installation.

3. Geosynthetic barriers shall:
   a) sustain a tensile load of not less than 25.0 kN/m at break and have a minimum failure strain of 800% when determined in accordance with ASTM D-638;
   b) have a minimum puncture resistance of 275 N when determined in accordance with ASTM D-4833;
   c) have a minimum tear resistance of 100 N when determined in
accordance with ASTM D-1004.

(i) For the definition of in-situ topsoil see 3.3.

(ii) Any requirements for testing for club root and eelworm should be described in the Contract.

(iii) Attention is drawn to Section 14.2 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981, which prohibits deposition of any plant material from any non-native invasive species listed in Part 2 of Schedule 9 of the Act (e.g., Giant Hogweed or Japanese Knotweed).

(iv) Organic land is defined as land cultivated without the addition of artificial fertiliser or use of pesticides or herbicides for at least the previous five years, as certified by the Soil Association, or other equivalent body.

1. Imported topsoil shall comply with BS 3882 and be of light or medium texture, having a pH value of between 6.0 and 7.5. Imported topsoil shall not contain stones greater than 20 mm in size nor have a total stone content exceeding 10% by mass.

2. Organic topsoil shall be imported from an organic land estate having a soil composition from a similar soil series. Details of the source and composition of the topsoil shall be provided, unless stated in the design.

E2.47 Engineered Topsoil

1. The chemical composition of engineered topsoil shall comply with the requirements of BS 3882.

2. The hydraulic conductivity, measured in-situ using the single ring infiltration test in accordance with BS EN ISO 22282-5 shall be as specified in the design.

3. The grading of the soil shall be as specified in the design.

E2.48 Thermoplastics modular geocellular drainage systems

1. Thermoplastic boxes, including integral components, to be used as elements in a modular geo-cellular drainage system shall comply with the requirements of BS EN 17152-1. Product performance data used in the structural design of these attenuation and infiltration systems shall be determined through testing carried out in accordance with BS EN 17150 and BS EN 17151.
E3 EXCAVATION AND BACKFILLING

E3.1 Excavation

1. Operations shall be carried out in such a manner as to prevent damage to, or deterioration of, the formation of excavations.

2. Excavation in roads and streets shall be carried out in accordance with the relevant highway reinstatement specification.

3. Excavations in locations where services may be encountered shall be carried out in accordance with ‘HSG 47 Avoiding Danger from Underground Services’.

4. Trenches shall be excavated so that the effective width is maintained within any limit imposed by the design of the pipeline. The sides of excavations shall be adequately supported at all times and, except where permitted, shall not be battered.

5. Trenches in rock for rising mains up to 100 mm nominal diameter shall be excavated to provide a minimum clearance of 100 mm around the outside of pipe barrels and joints. For pipes with nominal diameters exceeding 100 mm, the minimum clearance shall be increased to 150 mm for flexible and 200 mm for rigid pipelines.

6. If ground in the formations is encountered which is considered unsuitable, or if the formation is damaged or allowed to deteriorate, the water company shall be promptly informed.

7. Soft spots shall be removed from the bottom of trenches and other excavations, which shall then be refilled to formation level with the same material as the permanent work which is to rest on that formation. Any void which results from over-excavation below formation level shall be refilled in the same manner.

8. Excavated granular material which can be reused shall be kept separate from excavated cohesive materials.

E3.2 Dealing with Water

1. Water shall not be allowed to accumulate in any part of the Works. Water arising from, or draining into, the Works shall be drained or pumped to a consented disposal point. Any drainage sumps required shall, where practicable, be sited outside the area excavated for the permanent Works, and shall be refilled with either Type 1 granular sub-base material complying with E2.43 or lean concrete Grade GEN1 (C10) to the level of the underside of the adjacent permanent Works.

2. All necessary precautions shall be taken to prevent any adjacent ground from being adversely affected by loss of fines through any dewatering process.

3. Discharges to sewers shall not take place without the consent of the
E3.3 Temporary Drains

1. Where temporary drains (trench sub-drains) are required, they shall be laid in a narrow trench or grip formed below the bottom of the excavation in an approved position. The pipes shall be open-jointed and shall be surrounded with free-draining granular material (see E2.25).

2. When no longer required, temporary drains shall be removed or sealed.

3. When sealing temporary drains, grouting pipes shall be inserted in the line of the temporary drains at intervals not exceeding 25 m and the drains shall be solidly filled with grout (Class G3 or G4), the grout pipes being cut off on completion, care being taken to avoid impregnation of any granular bedding material around the main pipeline.

E3.4 Backfilling

1. Backfilling shall, wherever practicable, be undertaken immediately when the specified operations preceding it have been completed. Backfilling shall not, however, be commenced until the works to be covered have achieved a strength sufficient to withstand all loading imposed thereon.

2. Backfilling shall be undertaken in such a manner as to avoid uneven loading or damage.

3. Filling material shall be deposited in layers not exceeding 225 mm unconsolidated thickness, and then fully compacted to form a stable backfill. Where the excavation is within 1 m of the outside of the edge of the carriageway (or proposed carriageway), the fill material shall be such as to permit adequate drainage. Where the excavations have been supported and the supports are to be removed, these (where practicable) shall be withdrawn progressively as backfilling proceeds, in such a manner as to minimise the danger of collapse, and all voids formed behind the supports shall be carefully filled and compacted.

4. Backfilling and reinstatement in roads and streets shall be above the level of any pipe surround required, in accordance with the relevant highway reinstatement specification.

5. Filling material to excavations not situated in highways or prospective highways shall be placed and compacted to form a stable backfill.

6. Hardcore shall consist of clean, hard, durable material uniformly graded from 200 mm to 20 mm, and be free from extraneous matter.

7. Selected fill, whether selected from locally-excavated material or imported, shall consist of uniform, readily-compactible material. Fill shall be free from vegetable matter, building rubbish and frozen material or materials susceptible to spontaneous combustion, and shall exclude clay of liquid limit greater than 80 and/or plastic limit greater than 55 and materials of excessively high moisture content. Clay lumps and stones

(i) The highway authority may impose requirements for backfilling under existing highways.
retained on 75 mm and 37.5 mm sieves, respectively, shall be excluded from the fill material.

E3.5 Reinstatement Using Foamed Concrete

1. Reinstatement of openings in highways and roads using foamed concrete shall comply with the British Cement Association publication ‘Foamed Concrete – A Specification for Use in the Reinstatement of Openings in Highways’.

2. The pipe surround material shall be protected from the foamed concrete by an impermeable layer.

E3.6 Topsoil for Re-use

1. Topsoil shall mean the top layer of soil that can support vegetation. It shall include all turf not required for re-laying or not acceptable for turfing.

2. Topsoil shall be removed from the areas described in the Contract and, where required for re-use, shall be stockpiled separately and kept free from weeds.

3. Handling of topsoil shall be in accordance with BS 3882.

4. Topsoil stripping, stockpiling and replacement shall be conducted in such a manner as to minimise damage to the soil structure.

E4 FORMWORK AND CONCRETE

E4.1 Concrete Mixes and Workability

(i) For a comprehensive specification for reinforced concrete, see ‘CESW1’ 7th edition.

(ii) The mixes are consistent with the relevant standard mixes in BS 8500.

(iii) See E2.9 for the use of sulphate-resisting Portland cement.

1. Standard concrete mixes shall be in accordance with BS EN 206-1 and BS 8500, and shall be used with a 20 mm nominal maximum size of aggregate and a slump class S2 for a target 70 mm.

2. Suitable applications for the concrete mixes are shown in Table E 11.

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<td>GEN3</td>
<td>C16/ C20</td>
<td>All other applications</td>
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3. Compressive-strength testing shall not be used to judge the compliance of a concrete but, where required by the water company, evidence shall be provided of the batch masses used to produce any concrete.
4. Admixtures (including calcium chloride and pigments) shall not be used in the production of concrete.

E4.2 Chloride Content

1. Chloride content of fresh concrete shall be determined in accordance with BS EN 206-1, Clause 5.2.7.

2. Methods for determining the chloride contents of constituent materials shall be in accordance with BS 8500-2, Clause 5.3.

E4.3 High-strength Concrete Topping

1. High-strength concrete topping shall be produced, laid and finished in accordance with the relevant provisions of BS 8204-2 and the following approximate mix proportions by weight shall be used: one part cement, one part natural sand and two parts single-sized coarse aggregate.

E4.4 Transporting, Placing and Compacting

1. Concrete shall be transported from the mixer in accordance with BS 8500-2 and placed in the Works as rapidly as practicable by methods which will prevent the segregation or loss of any of the ingredients and will maintain the required workability. It shall be deposited, as nearly as practicable, in its final position and all equipment for transporting concrete shall be kept clean.

2. Concrete shall be thoroughly compacted in its final position within 30 minutes of commencing discharge. The plant used for compaction shall be operated continuously during the placing of each batch of concrete until the expulsion of air has virtually ceased, and in a manner which does not promote segregation of the ingredients.

3. Concrete shall be thoroughly compacted in its final position within 30 minutes of discharge from the mixer, unless carried in purpose-made agitators operating continuously, when the time shall be within two hours of the introduction of the cement to the mix and within 30 minutes of the discharge from the agitator. The concrete shall be adequately compacted to form a dense concrete that completely fills the formwork.

E4.5 Ready-mixed Concrete

1. Where concrete is to be obtained from a ready-mix supplier, the source shall be agreed with the water company and it shall be confirmed to the water company that the supplying plant is approved by a third party certification body accredited by the United Kingdom Accreditation Service (UKAS) for product conformity.

2. The delivery ticket accompanying each load of ready-mixed concrete shall, in addition to the information prescribed under BS EN 206-1 Clause 7.3, detail:

(i) When ready-mixed, ordinary prescribed mixes to BS 8500 are delivered, the supplier is required to provide, on the delivery ticket, detailed information relating to the concrete being supplied.
a) the type of aggregate;
b) the actual cementitious content and the percentage of any PFA of ggbs included; and
c) the position of the concrete in the Works (details to be inserted at the point of discharge).

3. All delivery tickets shall be kept at the site and shall be made available for inspection by the water company.

**E4.6 Concreting in Cold Weather**

1. Concreting at ambient temperatures below 2°C may be carried out only if all of the following conditions are met:

   a) the aggregates and water used in the mix shall be free from snow, ice and frost;
   b) before placing concrete, the formwork, reinforcement and any surface with which the fresh concrete will be in contact shall be free from snow, ice and frost and be at a temperature above 0°C;
   c) the initial temperature of the concrete at the time of placing shall be at least 5°C as defined in BS EN 206-1, Section 5.2.8, Lower Limit;
   d) the temperature at the surface of the concrete shall be maintained at not less than 5°C at any point until the concrete reaches a strength of 5 N per mm², as confirmed by tests on cubes matured under similar conditions; and
   e) temperatures at the surface of the concrete shall be measured where the lowest temperature is expected.

2. Precautions shall be taken to prevent the temperature of any concrete falling to 0°C during the first five days after placing.

**E4.7 Curing**

1. Curing of concrete shall be carried out in accordance with BS EN 13706 curing class 2.

2. In cold weather, when the temperature of freshly-placed concrete may approach 0°C, water curing shall not be employed.

**E4.8 Construction of Formwork**

1. Formwork shall be sufficiently rigid and tight to prevent loss of mortar matrix from the concrete, and to maintain the correct position, shape and dimensions of the finished work. Formwork shall be so constructed as to be removable from the cast concrete without shock or damage.
E4.9 Cleaning and Treatment of Forms

1. The interiors of all forms shall be thoroughly cleaned out before any concrete is placed. The faces of the forms in contact with the concrete shall be clean and treated with a suitable release agent, where applicable.

E4.10 Striking of Formwork

1. Formwork shall be removed without shock to, or disturbance of, the concrete.

2. Formwork shall not be removed until the relevant periods given in Table E 12 have elapsed.

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In cold weather, the period shall be increased in order to achieve the same minimum maturity at striking.

E4.11 Cutting and Bending of Reinforcement

1. Cutting and bending of reinforcement shall be in accordance with BS 8666 and shall be done without the application of heat, in a temperature of not less than 5°C. Bends shall have a substantially constant curvature.

2. Reinforcement shall not be straightened or re-bent without the agreement of the water company. If permission is given to bend projecting reinforcement, care shall be taken not to damage the concrete and to ensure that the radius is not less than the minimum specified in BS 8666.

E4.12 Fixing of Reinforcement

1. Reinforcement shall be firmly supported in position and secured against displacement.

2. Non-structural connections for the positioning of reinforcement shall be made with tying wire or other fixing devices. Precautions shall be taken to ensure that projecting ends of ties or clips do not encroach into
the concrete cover.

3. The concrete cover shall be not less than the minimum cover as specified in BS 8500-1, Clause 3.1.8, and where reinforcement is located in relation to only one face of a member, not more than the required cover plus:

   a) 5 mm on bars up to and including 12 mm size;
   b) 10 mm on bars over 12 mm up to and including 25 mm size; and
   c) 15 mm on bars over 25 mm size.

**E4.13 Surface Condition of Reinforcement**

1. Concrete shall not be placed until reinforcement is free from any substance which might adversely affect the steel or concrete chemically, or reduce the bond.

**E4.14 Laps and Joints**

1. Laps and joints in reinforcement shall be made only at the positions described on the Drawings.

**E4.15 Built-in Items**

1. Where pipes, sleeves, water bars or other items are built into concrete, they shall be rigidly secured in position to prevent movement and shall be free from external coatings which might adversely affect the bond.

2. Precautions shall be taken to prevent the formation of air pockets, voids or other defects whilst the concrete is being placed. When specifying a standard mix, the concrete shall be classed as reinforced if items are to be built into it.

**E4.16 Construction Joints**

1. Unless these are to be located in the positions shown on the typical detail Drawings (Figures B.13 to B.25), the positions and details of any construction joints shall be agreed with the water company before work is commenced.

2. Concreting shall be carried out continuously up to construction joints.

**E4.17 Surface Finishes Produced Without Formwork**

1. Where a screeded finish is required, the concrete shall be levelled and screeded to produce a uniform plain or ridged surface, as required. No further work shall be applied to the surface unless it is a first stage for a steel trowel finish.

2. Where a steel trowel finish is required, then sufficient time shall
elapse to allow the moisture film to disappear and the concrete to harden sufficiently to prevent laitance from being worked to the surface. The concrete shall then be steel trowelled under firm pressure to produce a dense, smooth, uniform surface, free from trowel marks.

3. Where the type of finish is not given, it shall be screeded plain.

E4.18 Surface Finishes Produced with Formwork

1. Rough finish shall be used for surfaces which will not be visible on completion and shall be obtained by the use of moulds or properly-designed forms. The surface shall be free from substantial voids, honeycombing or other large blemishes.

2. Fair finish shall be used for surfaces which will be visible on completion and shall be obtained using forms designed to produce a hard, smooth surface with true, clean arises. Only very minor surface blemishes will be permitted and there shall be no staining or discolouration. Fins and other projections shall be removed and the surface made good.

E4.19 Tie Bolts for Formwork

1. Tie bolts or other devices to be built into concrete shall be approved by the water company.

2. Tie bolts which form a continuous hole through a structural wall designed to retain an aqueous liquid shall not be used.

3. Tie bolts shall be of the high tensile variety and shall be cast directly into the concrete. Only tie bolts which avoid embedding any metal parts permanently within 50 mm of the concrete surface shall be permitted. Voids remaining after the removal of all, or part, of each tie bolt shall be filled flush with the surrounding concrete using a freshly-prepared cement and fine aggregate paste. All such voids shall be prepared by removing surface laitance prior to filling to ensure bond is achieved.

4. In the case of structures designed to retain an aqueous liquid, any other measures securing formwork shall not impair the watertightness of the structure.

E5 CONSTRUCTION OF GRAVITY SEwers AND RISING MAINS

E5.1 General Construction

1. Where socketed pipes are required to be laid on a granular or sand bed or directly on a trench bottom, joint holes shall be formed in the bedding material or excavated formation to ensure that each pipe is uniformly supported throughout the length of its barrel and to enable the joint to be made.
2. Pipes shall be laid on setting blocks only where a concrete bed or cradle is used.

3. Where pipes are required to be bedded directly on the trench bottom, the formation shall be trimmed and levelled to provide even bedding of the pipeline and shall be free from all extraneous matter that may damage the pipe, pipe coating or sleeving.

4. Pipes and fittings shall be examined for damage and the joint surfaces and components shall be cleaned immediately before laying.

5. Suitable measures shall be taken to prevent soil or other material from entering pipes, and each pipe shall be anchored to prevent flotation or other movement before the Works are complete.

6. Where pipeline marker tapes are specified, they shall be laid between 100 mm and 300 mm above the pipe. Where a tracer system is specified, it shall be continuous and adequately secured to valves and fittings.

E5.2 Pipe Bedding

1. Bedding for pipes shall be constructed by spreading and compacting granular bedding material over the full width of the pipe trench. After the pipes have been laid, additional granular material shall, if required, be placed and compacted equally on each side of the pipes and, where practicable, this shall be done in sequence with the removal of the trench supports.

2. Where in the opinion of the water company the flow of groundwater is likely to transport fine soil particles, water stops of puddle clay extending up through the bedding and sidefill shall be placed across the trench and immediately downstream of any temporary works.

3. In bad ground conditions, where the migration of the pipe granular surround into the ground may occur or fines may be moved from the surround material into the bedding material causing a lack of support of the bedding, the surround shall be wrapped in geotextile membrane (see BS 9295 Clause A.13, Figures A.5 and A.6).

E5.3 Concrete Protection to Pipes

1. Pipes to be bedded on (or cradled with) concrete shall be supported on precast concrete setting blocks, the top face of each block being covered with two layers of compressible packing in accordance with E2.27.

2. Concrete provided as a protection to pipes shall be Grade GEN3 (C16/C20) complying with BRE Special Digest 1, placed to the required depth in one operation.

3. Where pipes with flexible joints are used, concrete protection shall be interrupted over its full cross-section at each pipe joint by a shaped compressible filler.
4. Where pipes are protected by a concrete cover slab placed above the pipe, this shall span the pipe trench and extend a minimum of 300 mm both sides, widening the trench above the pipe surround, and there shall be a minimum of 150 mm of surround between the crown of the pipe and underside of the slab, together with a layer of compressible material isolating the slab from the surround material.

**E5.4 Pipe Surround**

1. Pipe surround material shall, where required, be placed and compacted over the full width of the trench in layers not exceeding 150 mm before compaction, to a finished thickness of 300 mm above the crown of the pipes.

2. Subsequent backfilling shall then be carried out as specified in E3.4.

**E5.5 Pipe Jointing Generally**

1. Pipe jointing surfaces and components shall be kept clean and free from extraneous matter until the joints have been made or assembled. Care shall be taken to ensure that there is no ingress of grout or other extraneous material into the joint annulus after the joint has been made.

2. Where, with the agreement of the water company, rising mains are laid to curves, the deflection at any pipe joint as-laid shall not exceed three-quarters of the maximum deflection recommended by the manufacturer.

3. Site fusion jointing in polyethylene pressure pipelines shall be undertaken in accordance with the relevant provisions of WIS 4-32-08.

4. Where PE pipes are used for rising mains, a fully-welded system shall be used and the number of joints minimised. Mechanical or electrofusion joints shall not be used unless expressly specified.

5. Proprietary joints shall be made in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions.

**E5.6 Cutting Pipes**

1. Pipes shall be cut in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations to provide a clean square profile without splitting or fracturing the pipe wall and causing minimal damage to any protective coating. Where necessary, the cut ends of pipes shall be formed to the tapers and chamfers suitable for the type of joint to be used.

2. Where ductile iron pipes are to be cut to form non-standard lengths, the manufacturer’s recommendations in respect of ovality correction and tolerances to the cut spigot end shall be complied with.

3. Where concrete pipes are cut, any exposed reinforcement shall be sealed with an epoxy-resin mortar.
4. Pre-stressed concrete pipes shall not be cut on site.

5. Particular safety precautions shall be taken to avoid inhalation of dust when cutting asbestos-cement pipes.

E5.7  Thrust Block

1. Except where self-anchoring joints are used, thrusts from bends and branches in rising mains shall be resisted by GEN3 concrete thrust blocks, cast in contact with undisturbed ground.

2. Any additional excavation required to accommodate thrust blocks shall be carried out after the bend or branch is in position, and the thrust face shall be trimmed back to remove all loose or weathered material immediately prior to concreting.

3. Thrust blocks shall be allowed to develop adequate strength before any internal pressure is applied to the rising main.

4. Where rapid hardening is used in concrete for the protection of plastics pipes, an assessment and provision shall be made to protect pipes from any excessive heat that may be generated during the curing reaction.

5. Plastics pipes shall be wrapped with three layers of plastic sheeting complying with E2.17.1 before being surrounded by concrete.

E5.8  Connections to Gravity Sewers

1. Where junction pipes for future connections are required, they shall be inserted, as necessary, during construction of the sewers, and the ends of connections and pipes not needed for immediate use shall be effectively sealed with a plug. The position of all junctions shall be recorded by measurement from the centre of the manhole cover immediately downstream, and notified to the water company before backfilling is carried out.

2. Connections shall be made using standard pre-formed junctions, where possible. Saddle connections to existing sewers shall only be allowed when the internal diameter of the major pipe is at least 150 mm greater than the internal diameter of the branch pipe.

3. Pipe saddles for concrete or clay sewers shall be bedded in Class M1 mortar and a mortar fillet formed to give a cover of at least 50 mm to the base of the saddle.

E5.9  Tolerances in Gravity Sewers, Lateral Drains and Rising Mains

(i) Lines and levels for sewers, lateral drains and rising mains should be as shown on the

(1) Thrust blocks should either be shown on the Drawings or constructed in accordance with the water company’s instructions on-site.

(ii) Plastics pipes should be separated from thrust blocks by plastic sheeting so as to minimise the risk of stress concentrations and abrasion where the pipe emerges from the thrust block.

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2. No pipe in a sewer or lateral drain shall have a reverse gradient.

3. The joint displacement, being the difference in level or alignment between the adjacent ends of two adjoining pipes at a joint, shall not exceed the least of 5% of the nominal diameter of the pipe or 20 mm.

4. The angular displacement at a joint, being the difference in the alignment of two adjacent pipes, shall not exceed 2° except where the joint has been specifically designed and manufactured to accommodate a larger displacement.

5. Flexible pipes shall have a limit of 6% deformation.

6. Where a fitting is installed on a sewer length, it shall have the same internal bore as the sewer.

**E6 CONSTRUCTION OF MANHOLES, INSPECTION CHAMBERS AND WET WELLS**

**E6.1 Brickwork and Blockwork**

1. Brickwork and blockwork shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 1996-1-2, BS EN 1996-2 and BS EN 1996-3.

2. Brickwork and blockwork shall be built in English bond. Bricks and blocks shall be set in mortar with all bed and vertical joints filled solid. Exposed work shall be flush pointed as the work proceeds. The moisture content of the bricks and blocks shall be adjusted so that excessive suction is not exerted on the mortar.

3. Bricks and blocks in each course shall break joint correctly with the bricks/blocks underneath. The courses shall be laid parallel, with joints of uniform thickness, and shall be kept straight or regularly curved, as required. Brickwork and blockwork shall be gauged to rise 300 mm in four courses. Vertical joints shall be in alignment, as required by the bond, and shall have an average thickness of 10 mm. Bricks and blocks forming reveals and internal and external angles, shall be selected for squareness and built plumb.

4. Brickwork and blockwork shall rise uniformly. Corners and other advanced work shall be racked back and not raised above the general level more than 1 m. No brickwork or blockwork shall be carried up higher than 1.5 m in one day. No bats or broken bricks and blocks shall be incorporated in the work unless essential for bond. Where cuts to blocks are required, all cutting shall be carried out with a mechanical cutting disc.

5. Completed brickwork and blockwork shall be protected at all times from scaffold splash, mortar droppings, grout leakage from suspended slabs and the harmful effects of weather. Brickwork and blockwork shall be allowed to set thoroughly hard before cutting or chasing is carried out.

(i) The term "blocks" has been used for precast concrete masonry units (see E2.39).

(ii) Flush jointing is described in BS EN 1996-1-2, BS EN 1996-2 and BS EN 1996-3.
E6.2  Corbelling

1. Oversail corbelling shall not exceed 30 mm on each course.

E6.3  Bricklaying and Blocklaying in Cold Weather

1. Materials used in bricklaying and blocklaying shall be frost-free, and no bricks or blocks shall be laid when the ambient temperature is below 3°C, unless special precautions are taken. Completed work shall be protected adequately during cold weather.

2. General working practices shall be in accordance with the Brick Development Association publication ‘Bricklaying in Winter Conditions’.

E6.4  Precast Concrete Manholes, Chambers and Wet Well

1. Precast concrete chamber unit sections for manholes shall be constructed with steps, ladders and slabs aligned correctly.

2. The jointing material for precast units shall be mortar, proprietary plastomeric or elastomeric seal with load bearing distribution, with the concrete surfaces prepared in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

3. Joints made with plastomeric sealant or mortar shall be made so that the required jointing material fills the joint cavity. Concrete to concrete contact across the joint shall not be permitted. Any surplus jointing material which is extruded inside the manhole, chamber or wet well shall be trimmed off and joints shall be pointed on completion.

4. Concrete surrounds to manholes, chambers and the wet wells, where required, shall be Grade GEN3 complying with ‘BRE Special Digest 1’. The height of each concrete pour shall not exceed 2 m. Each construction joint shall break joint with the precast sections by at least 150 mm.

E6.5  In-situ Inverts and Benchings

(i) See E4.17 for details of surface finishes.

1. Inverts and benchings in manholes, chambers and the wet well shall have a screeded, ridged finish and shall have a smooth, high-strength concrete topping applied with a steel trowel before the concrete has set.

E6.6  Rigid Pipes and Joints Adjacent to Structures

1. Where rigid pipes are used, a flexible joint shall be provided as close as is feasible to the outside face of any structure into which a pipe is built, within 150 mm for pipe diameters less than 300 mm. The design of the joints shall be compatible with any subsequent movement.

2. The recommended length of the next pipe (rocker pipe) away from the structure shall be as shown in Table E 13.
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3. Stub pipes into structures shall be of rigid material.

**E6.7 Setting Manhole Covers and Frames**

1. Manhole frames shall be set to level, bedded and haunched externally over the base and sides of the frame in mortar, in accordance with the manufacturer’s instructions. The frame shall be seated on at least one course of Class B engineering bricks, on precast concrete masonry units or on precast concrete cover frame seating rings to regulate the distance between the top of the cover and the top rung to no greater than 675 mm. A mortar fillet shall be provided where the corners to an opening in a slab are chamfered and the brickwork is not flush with the edges of the opening.

2. Frames for manhole covers shall be bedded in a bedding mortar in all situations where covers are sited in NRSWA Road Categories 0, 1, 2 or 3 (i.e., all except residential cul-de-sacs).

**E6.8 Manholes and Inspection Chambers**

1. Manholes and inspection chambers shall comply with the relevant provisions of BS EN 752.

**E7 CLEANSING AND TESTING**

**E7.1 Cleansing of Gravity Sewers and Manholes**

1. On completion of construction, internal surfaces of sewers, manholes and other access points shall be thoroughly cleansed to remove all deleterious matter, without such matter being passed forward into existing public sewers or watercourses. The sewers and manholes shall be maintained in a clean and serviceable condition until they are vested as public sewers.

**E7.2 Precautions Prior to Testing Rising Mains**

1. Before testing any rising main, it shall be ensured that it is anchored adequately and that thrusts from bends, branch outlets or from the pipeline ends, are transmitted to solid ground or to a suitable temporary anchorage.

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(i) The action to be taken in the event of failure to satisfy the tests specified has only been referred to in general terms where the text so requires (see also E1.3).

(i) Testing against a closed valve in a rising main should not be permitted if there is any other alternative.
2. Open ends shall be stopped with plugs, caps or blank flanges properly jointed.

3. Testing against closed valves shall not be permitted.

E7.3 Testing of Gravity Sewers

1. Sewers up to and including 1000 mm nominal diameter shall be tested by means of an air or water test.

2. Sewers shall be tested regularly throughout the installation (typically every three jointed segments) before any concreting or backfilling is commenced, other than such as may be necessary for structural stability whilst under test.

3. An air test shall be carried out after the backfilling is complete.

4. The pipelines shall be inspected by means of a visual or closed-circuit television (CCTV) examination, in lengths determined by the course of construction. For flexible pipes, the CCTV examination shall use light rings to measure deformations.

E7.4 Air Test for Gravity Sewers

1. Sewers to be air tested, including adopted laterals up to demarcation chambers, shall have air pumped in by a suitable means until a pressure of 100 mm head of water is indicated in a U-tube connected to the system. The sewer shall be accepted if the air pressure remains above 75 mm head of water after a period of five minutes without further pumping, following a period for stabilisation. Failure to pass the test shall not preclude acceptance of the pipeline if a successful water test can subsequently be carried out in accordance with E7.5.

E7.5 Water Test for Gravity Sewers

1. The test pressure for sewers shall not be less than 1.2 m head of water above the pipe soffit or groundwater level, whichever is the higher, at the highest point, and not greater than 6 m head at the lowest point of the section. Steeply-graded sewers shall be tested in stages in cases where the maximum head, as stated above, would be exceeded if the whole section were tested in one length.

2. The sewer shall be filled with water and a minimum period of two hours shall be allowed for absorption, after which water shall be added from a measuring vessel at intervals of five minutes and the quantity required to maintain the original water level noted, following which the original water level shall be restored. Unless otherwise specified, the length of sewer shall be accepted if the quantity of water added over a 30-minute period is less than 0.5 litres per linear metre of sewer per metre of nominal diameter.

3. Notwithstanding the satisfactory completion of the above test, if there is any discernible leakage of water from any pipe or joint, the pipe shall be replaced and/or the joint re-made, as appropriate, and the test
E7.6 Visual Inspection of Gravity Sewers

1. A visual survey shall be carried out by a qualified and approved contractor, and in accordance with the ‘Model Contract Document for Sewer Condition Inspection’, 2nd edition.

2. Light ring survey equipment shall be calibrated to measure the cross-sectional dimensions and the pipe ovality to within ± 1%, where ovality is defined as the ratio between the difference between the maximum internal diameter and the mean internal diameter, and the mean internal diameter.

E7.7 Infiltration

1. Non-pressure pipelines and manholes shall be inspected and tested for infiltration of groundwater into the pipeline after backfilling. All inlets to the system shall be effectively closed and any residual flow shall be deemed to be infiltration.

2. The pipeline and manholes shall be accepted as satisfactory if the infiltration, including infiltration into manholes, in 30 minutes does not exceed 0.5 litres per linear metre of pipeline per metre of nominal bore.

3. Notwithstanding the satisfactory completion of the above inspection or test, if there is any discernible flow of water entering the sewers or manholes which can be seen either by visual or CCTV inspection, such measures as are necessary to stop such infiltration shall be taken.

E7.8 Watertightness of Manholes, Inspection Chambers and Wet Wells

1. These shall be inspected to ensure that they are watertight with no identifiable flow of water penetrating the chamber.

E7.9 Testing of Ductile Iron, GRP and Steel Pressure Pipelines

1. The entire pipeline shall be pressure tested in accordance with BS EN 805 or IGN 4-01-03.

2. Rising mains shall be tested after they are jointed and before any concreting or backfilling is commenced, other than such as may be necessary for structural stability whilst under test.

3. Gauges used for testing rising mains shall either be of the conventional circular type, not less than 200 mm diameter, calibrated in metres of head of water, or shall have a digital indicator capable of reading increments of 0.1 m head. Before any gauge is used, it shall be checked independently and a dated certificate of its accuracy shall be provided. After having been filled, pipelines shall be left under normal pressure repeated until leakage is stopped.
operating pressure for 24 hours, so as to achieve conditions as stable as possible for testing.

4. Before testing, valves shall be checked and sealed, the sections of main filled with water and the air released.

5. The pressure in the rising main shall then be raised steadily until the specified test pressure is reached in the lowest part of the section. The pressure shall be maintained at this level, by pumping if necessary, for a period of at least one hour. The pump unit shall then be disconnected, and no further water shall be permitted to enter the rising main for a further period of one hour. At the end of this period, the original pressure shall be restored by pumping and the loss measured by drawing off water from the main until the pressure as at the end of the test, is again reached.

6. The permissible loss shall not exceed 2 litres per metre nominal bore per kilometre length per metre head (calculated as the average head applied to the section) per 24 hours.

7. The developer shall provide, and subsequently dispose of, the water required for the test. Discharges to sewers shall not take place without the consent of the water company.

8. Test pressures for rising mains shall be 1.5 times the maximum operating pressure at the lowest point of the main, or the maximum operating pressure plus the maximum calculated surge pressure, whichever is the greater.

9. Where a new pipeline is to connect to an operational pipeline, the final connection shall be inspected visually under normal operating pressure and there shall be no visible leakage.

**E7.10 Testing of Polyethylene Pressure Pipelines**

1. Clauses E7.9.1, E7.9.2, E7.9.3, E7.9.4, and E7.9.7 shall apply.

2. The testing of polyethylene pressure pipelines shall be carried out in accordance with IGN 4-01-03.
PART F – MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATION FOR SMALL PUMPING STATIONS
INTRODUCTION

1. Part F of this guidance is the Mechanical and Electrical Specification to support Part D. As such, the scope of Part D (see D1) applies here. If pumping stations include any pump unit rated over 30 kW, different specifications may apply and detailed discussions should be held with the water company at an early stage.

F1 GENERAL

F1.1 Hazardous Area Appliances

1. All electrical and mechanical equipment selected for use in a hazardous area shall have undergone an appropriate conformity assessment procedure (CAP) to demonstrate compliance with the essential health and safety requirements of European Directive 94/9/EC (ATEX 95), as enacted in the UK by the Equipment and Protective Systems Intended for Use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2016.

2. If a pump unit will operate in a hazardous area classified as Zone 1 or 2, all electrical and mechanical equipment shall be selected in accordance with the relevant parts of BS EN 60079 and the relevant parts of BS EN 13463 or BS EN ISO 80079, as appropriate.

3. Appropriate certification shall be included in the pumping station O&M manuals to confirm the suitability of the electrical and mechanical equipment for operation in the specified hazardous area(s). Risk assessments shall be carried out in accordance with BS EN 1127-1 ‘Explosive Atmospheres. Explosion Prevention and Protection. Basic Concepts and Methodology’ and any requirements from the water company. Any certification, manuals, etc., shall be in accordance with the water company's requirements.

F1.2 Operation and Maintenance Documentation

1. Operation and maintenance documentation for all equipment shall be provided together with as-built drawings and operational manuals for the pumping station.

F2 PUMP UNIT SPECIFICATION

F2.1 Introduction

1. The pumping station shall incorporate two identical submersible pump units arranged in a duty/standby configuration.

2. The pump units shall be of the single stage, centrifugal, volute type, suitable for pumping untreated sewage containing fibrous and stringy material (rags, paper, etc.), solid faecal matter and grit.

3. The pump units shall comply with all relevant Statutory Regulations and the latest editions of all relevant International, harmonised European and British Standards.
F2.2 Performance Requirements and Information

1. Wherever possible, the maximum operating speed of the pump units shall not exceed 1500 rpm. Where, for a Type 1 or 2 pumping station, a higher operating speed is necessary, evidence shall be provided to justify the selection of higher speed pump units.

Note: The evidence to justify the selection of higher speed pump units shall be provided prior to their purchase.

2. Each pump unit shall be capable of pumping the design flow rate when the sewage level is at the mid-point of the start and stop levels in the wet well.

3. The net positive suction head (NPSH) available shall be at least 2.0 m greater than the NPSH required. The NPSH available shall be calculated at all points on the system curve to ensure that cavitation and vibration does not occur during pump unit operation.

4. The pumps and their drive motors shall be suitably rated to allow for increased head due to expected sliming/fatting-up/scaling and deterioration of pipe material of the rising main, during the lifetime of the pump unit.

5. The pump units shall be capable of continuous operation within the design operating envelope including (where appropriate and in accordance with any hazardous area rating) being run on a regular basis for short periods of time “on snore” to keep the wet well free from silt.

6. The pump units shall have stable head versus flow rate characteristics against the system curve(s) (i.e., each pump unit’s head versus flow rate curve shall slope upwards towards closed valve with reducing flow rate in one continuous curve, with no points of inflection capable of causing hunting when considered against the system curve(s)).

7. Wherever possible, the pump units shall be selected such that the design flow rate is between 80% and 105% of the pump unit best efficiency point (BEP) flow rate. Where this is not possible, evidence shall be provided to show that the most efficient pump units have been selected for the duty.

Note: The evidence to show that the most efficient pump units have been selected shall be provided prior to their purchase.

8. The pump units shall be capable of discharging into an empty main.

9. The pump units shall be capable of operating against a closed valve for up to two minutes.

10. The maximum diameter of solid sphere able to be passed by the pump units shall generally be in accordance with the guidelines given in Table F 1.

Note: Where the pump units feature an innovative design which does not allow compliance with Table F 1, then prior to purchase of the pump units, substantiating information shall be provided (for approval) to demonstrate that the solids handling performance of the pump units will satisfy the relevant requirements (i.e., the pump units will be capable of prolonged, reliable and trouble-free operation).
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Solids Handling Performance

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<th>Nominal Bore of Outlet (mm)</th>
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11. The pump units shall be reliable, efficient and capable of operating between the manufacturer’s recommended service intervals without attention or inspection. Pump units shall have an expected design life of 20 years when maintained in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations.

F2.3 Design Requirements

F2.3.1 Materials selection

1. Pump unit materials shall be selected with reference to the operating environment, pumped liquid and expected design life. Where there is a risk of saline ingress into the wet well, pump unit materials shall be selected accordingly.

2. Where surfaces (such as stainless steel wear rings) may be subject to galling, materials shall be selected to minimise wear and have a minimum hardness differential of 50 HB.

F2.3.2 External corrosion protection

1. Protective coatings shall be selected with reference to the operating environment, pumped liquid and expected design life.

F2.3.3 Noise

1. The noise levels from each pump unit shall not exceed 80 dB(A) at a distance of 1 m from the pump unit centreline (based on the pump unit being mounted in "semi-reverberant" conditions).

F2.3.4 Mounting arrangements

F2.3.4.1 Guide system

1. The pump units shall be positively guided during installation and removal from the wet well by a guide system.

2. The guide system shall be designed and installed to ensure straight, vertical lifting/lowering of the pump units.
3. The guide system shall allow the pump units to be raised to the top of the wet well without the need to undo any fixing arrangements or enter the wet well.

4. The guide system shall comprise twin circular cross-section tubes and all necessary fixtures and fixings. Guide wires shall not be used.

5. All guide tubes, brackets and fasteners (i.e., nuts, bolts, etc.) shall be made from stainless steel number 1.4401 to BS EN 10088-1.

6. The guide tubes shall be of single piece construction and shall be supported along their length by suitably-designed brackets. The maximum length of any unsupported guide tube span shall be 3 m. The tops of the guide tubes shall finish a maximum of 150 mm below the underside of the wet well cover.

**F2.3.4.2 Auto-coupling system (ACS)**

1. Each pump unit shall be provided with an auto-coupling system (ACS) to interface it with the outlet pipework/rising main. The following requirements shall apply:

   a) the ACS shall typically comprise a duck-foot bend, guide claw and all necessary seals/gaskets and fixings;
   
   b) all fixings shall be manufactured from stainless steel number 1.4401 to BS EN 10088-1 and, if necessary, be provided with suitable galvanic isolation;
   
   c) the outlet connection of the duck-foot bend shall terminate with flange type PN16;
   
   d) the ACS shall be designed so that the pump unit is positively located onto the duck-foot bend during pump installation;
   
   e) the ACS shall be designed so that the interface between the duck-foot bend and guide claw is effectively sealed during pump installation;
   
   f) the duck-foot bend shall include suitable provisions for locating and fixing the guide tubes and, if necessary, shall be galvanically isolated from the guide tubes; and
   
   g) the duck-foot bend shall include suitable provisions for securing it to the base of the wet well.

**F2.3.5 Pump casings**

1. Casings shall be capable of withstanding any pressure or dynamic loading that may be generated during normal pump operation, including intermittent physical shock loadings caused by solids in the flow.

2. The outlet connection of each pump unit shall terminate with flange type PN16, in accordance with BS EN 1092-2.

3. All casing surfaces having a fine clearance between fixed and rotating components shall be provided with renewable wear parts that are easily removable for refurbishment or replacement.

4. The direction of rotation of the impeller shall be clearly and indelibly marked on the pump unit casings with an arrow.
F2.3.6 Impellers

1. Impellers shall be selected to prevent fouling, allow the passage of fibrous, stringy and solid materials, and suit the operating conditions in an efficient manner.

2. If possible, the pump units shall not be fitted with the minimum or maximum sized impellers for the selected casing size.

3. Impellers shall be one-piece castings.

4. Impellers shall not be pinned or screwed to shafts, nor shall shaft rotation be relied upon to ensure that impellers are locked in position. Impellers shall be capable of running in the reverse direction (e.g., under de-ragging control).

5. To achieve acceptable vibration performance, impellers shall be balanced. Multi-vane and vortex impellers shall be balanced to a minimum of balance grade G6.3 of BS ISO 21940-11 (balancing shall be achieved by machining not by the addition of weights).

6. All impeller surfaces having a fine clearance between fixed and rotating components shall be provided with renewable wear parts that are easily removable for refurbishment or replacement.

F2.3.7 Shafts

1. Pump shafts shall be sized to accommodate all possible loads over the operating range of the pump, including starting direct-on-line (DOL).

2. The first critical speed of the rotating elements (i.e., the shaft, motor rotor and impeller, etc.) shall be at least 25% above the maximum operating speed.

3. The shaft stiffness shall be such that, under the most severe conditions of operation, the total shaft deflection at the seals does not exceed the seal manufacturer’s specified tolerances.

4. If the shaft is exposed to the pumped sewage, it shall be manufactured from a corrosion-resistant material or be protected by a stainless steel (number 1.4401 to BS EN 10088-1) sleeve.

5. Shaft sleeves (where provided) shall:

   a) be manufactured from a material that will not cause galvanic corrosion between itself and the shaft;
   b) be positively driven (i.e., keyed or pinned to the shaft); and
   c) incorporate O-ring seals to prevent leakage of the pumped sewage between shafts and sleeves.

F2.3.8 Seals

1. Sealing between the casing volute and motor enclosure shall be achieved by primary (casing volute to buffer chamber) and secondary (buffer chamber to motor enclosure) mechanical seals and by a fluid-filled chamber between the primary and secondary seals.
2. Where the pump units feature an innovative sealing arrangement that does not incorporate a fluid-filled chamber, substantiating information shall be provided (for approval) to demonstrate that this sealing arrangement will satisfy the necessary requirements. This information shall be provided before pump units are purchased.

3. Stationary and rotating rings shall be composed of a single material, i.e., wear-resistant coatings shall not be used.

4. Seal component materials shall be compatible with the pumped sewage.

F2.3.9 Bearings and bearing lubrication

1. Rotating assemblies (motor rotor, shaft and impeller) shall be supported by grease-lubricated upper and lower rolling element bearings.

2. Bearings shall be rated for a minimum L10h life of 50,000 hours at the design operating conditions.

F2.3.10 Motors

F2.3.10.1 General

1. Motors shall be capable of continuous operation under the operating conditions of the pump unit.

2. Where downstream requirements suggest variable speed drives may be required, the design shall be submitted to the water company for approval before construction.

F2.3.10.2 Electrical supply

1. Motors shall be suitable for the site electrical supply, see F3.2.1.2.

F2.3.10.3 Duty and rating

1. Each motor shall have a maximum continuous (MC) rating, based on duty type S1 (as defined in BS EN 60034-1), equal to at least 110% of the maximum pump power input over its operating range.

F2.3.10.4 Starting

1. Motors shall be capable of handling a maximum of 15 starts per hour.

F2.3.10.5 Enclosure and cooling

1. Motors shall have an enclosure classification of IP68 in accordance with BS EN 60529 and be suitable for operation whilst continuously submerged to a depth of 20 m.

2. Motors shall incorporate a cooling system that will allow the pump units to run, without de-rating, over their full operating range. If the cooling system incorporates an integral cooling jacket, this shall be of the integral recirculation type and shall not utilise the process media.
F2.3.10.6 Insulation

1. The motor insulation class, in accordance with BS EN 60085 (i.e., F, G, H, etc.), shall be at least one class higher than the temperature rise limit, in accordance with BS EN 60034-1, as measured by the resistance of the windings during full load operation, subject to a minimum insulation class of Class F.

F2.3.11 Information plate

1. Each pump unit shall be provided with an information plate, permanently fixed to the pump unit. The plate and its fixings shall be manufactured from corrosion-resistant metallic materials. As a minimum, the information plate shall include the following information:

   a) pump unit manufacturer;
   b) pump unit type;
   c) pump unit serial number;
   d) impeller number or diameter;
   e) flow rate at the duty point (litres per second);
   f) head at the duty point (m);
   g) operating speed (rpm);
   h) motor rating (kW);
   i) operating voltage (V), number of phases and frequency (Hz);
   j) full load current (A);
   k) full load power factor;
   l) insulation class;
   m) enclosure classification (IP rating);
   n) hazardous area classification; and
   o) pump unit weight.

2. Duplicate information plates shall be provided and labelled "Pump No. 1" and "Pump No. 2". These shall be positioned adjacent to the electrical assembly in a clearly-visible location.

F2.3.12 Pump unit lifting points

1. Each pump unit shall be provided with clearly-identified, permanent, corrosion-resistant lifting points, located to give a safe, balanced lift.

2. Lifting points shall be designed for lifting the whole pump unit.

3. The pump unit shall incorporate a lifting handle. The following requirements shall apply:

   a) the handle material shall be made from stainless steel number 1.4401 to BS EN 10088-1. If the handle is not an integral part of the pump casing, it shall be secured to the pump casing using fasteners manufactured from stainless steel number 1.4401 to BS EN 10088-1 and be provided with suitable galvanic isolation;
   b) the handle shall be designed to ensure that the nose of the lifting hook does not sit on the underside of the handle during lifting, i.e., it shall have a "round", "V-shaped" or "convex" profile; and
c) the shape of the lifting handle shall ensure that a minimum clearance of 250 mm is provided from the top of the pump unit to the underside of the handle to facilitate location of the water company’s lifting hook during lifting.

F2.3.13 Pump unit cables

1. Each pump unit shall be supplied and fitted with a cable of a suitable length for the duty.

2. Cables shall be suitably rated for the duty, be constructed in accordance with BS EN 50525 with oil- and weather-resistant chloroprene rubber (or equivalent) sheathing, and comprise power and auxiliary cables necessary for the motor supply and all protection circuits.

3. Each cable shall incorporate an earth conductor.

F2.3.14 Pump unit lifting arrangements

F2.3.14.1 General

1. All lifting equipment (including attachments for anchoring, fixing or supporting the lifting equipment) and lifting accessories (chains, eyebolts, etc.) shall comply with the Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations (LOLER) and the Provision and Use of Work Equipment Regulations (PUWER).

2. All individual items of lifting equipment and lifting accessories shall be visibly and indelibly marked (i.e., stamped or painted) with the following:

   a) their safe working loads (SWL);
   b) the lifting equipment/accessory serial number; and
   c) the date of the next "thorough" examination of the lifting equipment/accessory, in accordance with LOLER. This date will change on a regular basis and so shall be indelibly marked on a replaceable component (e.g., a cable tie).

3. The following information shall be provided in relation to all lifting equipment and lifting accessories:

   a) the original test certificate;
   b) an EC “Declaration of Conformity”, from the lifting equipment/accessory manufacturer; and
   c) a "Report of Thorough Examination", in accordance with LOLER. If, at the time of adoption of the pumping station, there is less than six months from the date of the "Report of Thorough Examination" until the next inspection, then a further examination shall be undertaken by the developer.

All of the above information shall be in accordance with the water company’s requirements and copies shall be inserted in the pumping station O&M manuals.

4. Pump units shall be provided with a proprietary lifting chain location system if all of the following criteria are satisfied:
a) the wet well is less than or equal to 6 m in depth;
b) the weight of each pump unit is less than or equal to 500 kg; and
c) the pump unit lifting handle is of a suitable design to accept the water company’s standard
lifting hook (refer to F2.3.12).

5. If any of the above criteria are not satisfied, lifting chains shall be provided, permanently fixed within
the wet well.

**F2.3.14.2 Lifting chain location system**

1. Where provided, the lifting chain location system shall comprise two 6 mm diameter, non-degradable
cords. Each cord shall be threaded through its associated pump unit lifting handle and both of its ends
shall be secured at opposite sides of the wet well access point with stainless steel number 1.4401 to
BS EN 10088-1 swivel hooks with integral safety catches.

**F2.3.14.3 Lifting chains**

1. Where provided, chains shall be of the short-link type to BS EN 818-1 and BS EN 818-3.

2. To assist in lifting, chains shall incorporate larger links with a minimum internal diameter of 50 mm,
spaced at a maximum of 1 m intervals along their length.

3. Chains shall be rated to lift twice the weight of each pump unit, subject to a minimum SWL of 500 kg.

4. Where the chains remain attached to the pump units during pump unit operation, they shall be
securely fixed to the pump units with stainless steel D shackles. Suitable measures shall be taken to
ensure that the D shackles do not loosen and are not damaged/worn due to pump unit vibration,
e.g., by using extended pins and nyloc nuts.

5. The loose ends of the chains shall be attached to a stainless steel hook, fixed to the underside of the
wet well cover to enable access without leaning out over the wet well.

6. The length of the chains shall be such that when the pump units are in position, the chains extend at
least 1 m above the top of the wet well.

7. A stainless steel identification tag, detailing the information specified in F2.3.14.1.2 shall be securely
attached to the top end of each chain.

8. Chains, links, hooks, D shackles and identification tags shall be made from stainless steel number
1.4401 to BS EN 10088-1.

**F2.3.15 Cable support system**

1. Cables shall be securely anchored inside the wet well. The method of securing the cables shall avoid
excessive stressing of the cables and allow the pump units to be withdrawn from the wet well without
fouling the cables. The anchor shall be capable of ready release.
F2.3.16 Pump unit protection sensors

1. The pump units shall be equipped with sensors for preventing overheating of the motor winding insulation (this shall be achieved by at least two thermal switches embedded in the stator winding coils).

2. Pump units rated at 7.5 kW and above shall be equipped with a number of moisture detection sensors for detecting seal wear and seal leakage.

3. Pump units rated at 22 kW and above shall be equipped with protection sensors for monitoring bearing vibration.

4. Pump unit bearing vibration and temperature monitoring sensors shall be located within the pump unit and not be fixed to its exterior surface. All associated cables and wiring shall be securely attached to the main pump unit cables.

F2.3.17 Hazardous area applications

1. The type of pump unit protection, gas group and temperature classification shall be appropriate to the hazardous area classification, gas group and temperature class specified for the wet well.

2. The pump unit construction, testing and marking shall comply with BS EN 60079-0, as modified by BS EN 60079-1 for protection type ‘d’ (flameproof) or BS EN 60079-7 for protection type ‘e’ (increased safety), as appropriate.

3. Cables and connectors shall be selected in accordance with BS EN 60079-14.

F2.4 Testing

F2.4.1 General

1. The pump units shall be tested at the manufacturer’s premises for noise, vibration, temperature, leakage, seals, and flow/head/power. Pumps shall be tested to at least BS EN ISO 9906 Grade 2 Annex A.1 to demonstrate that they are capable of achieving the specified design duty. Type-test curves are acceptable for verification of performance.

2. Characteristic curves of pump total differential head, pump efficiency, pump power input and motor power input versus flow rate shall be provided before the pump units are delivered to site.

F2.4.2 Testing on site

1. The pump units shall be tested on site to ensure they are capable of delivering the design flow rate under all possible operating conditions, without cavitation or excessive noise, vibration, temperature or leakage.

2. To this end, hydraulic drop tests shall be carried out by the developer in the presence of the water company to verify the theoretical performance of each pump unit. The results of these tests shall be recorded and placed in the pumping station O&M manuals. The accuracy of the drop test shall be...
within +7% on head and flow. The accuracy of flowmeter readings (where fitted) shall be demonstrated by comparing them to the drop test results.

3. A visual inspection of the pumping station shall be made to ensure it complies with this Specification. The wet well shall be checked for signs of stagnation, vortices, pre-swirl and accumulation of solids.

4. Functional checks shall be made of all installed instrumentation, level settings, etc. These checks shall be made in the presence of the water company.

F3 ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATION

F3.1 Scope

1. This Specification defines the requirements for the electrical equipment incorporated within the pumping station. This electrical equipment shall typically comprise:

   a) an incoming power supply;
   b) a low voltage switchgear and controlgear assembly (hereafter termed the "Electrical Assembly") incorporating the incomer, motor starters, control circuit supplies, common control equipment and interface for connection to the telemetry outstation, see F3.3;
   c) the pumping station electrical installation, incorporating all electrical components, equipment and cabling outside the electrical assembly, and the pumping station earthing and bonding system, see F3.3;
   d) instruments associated with the pumping station including the ultrasonic transducer head, float switches, and flowmeter (if required), see F3.5; and
   e) a telemetry outstation with appropriate communications connection (for example, GSM, PSTN, radio link, etc.), see F3.6.

F3.2 General

F3.2.1 Introduction

1. Either "direct-on-line" or "star/delta" motor starting shall be provided, depending upon the limitations of the local electricity supply. If variable speed drives are proposed, evidence shall be provided to justify their selection prior to their purchase.

2. The incoming electrical supply to the pumping station shall be a 400 V, 50 Hz, 3-phase neutral and earth, 4-wire supply. If this requirement cannot be met, evidence shall be provided to justify the provision of an alternative supply, prior to installation of the supply.

3. The pumping station shall comply with the requirements of the distribution network operator (DNO) (i.e., with respect to maximum demand, motor starting and/or stopping, harmonic contribution and electromagnetic interference limits, fault discrimination, isolation requirements, etc.).

4. The pumping station shall be suitable for use by electrically-instructed persons (as defined in BS 7671).
5. All electrical installation work shall be carried out by a contractor registered with the Electrical Contractor’s Association (ECA) or the National Inspection Council for Electrical Installation Contracting (NICEIC).

6. On completion of the electrical installation, the developer shall carry out the following tests:

   a) all relevant tests specified in BS 7671, with particular reference to IET Guidance Note 3: Inspection & Testing, 7th edition; and

   b) functional tests of control circuitry under normal and abnormal conditions to confirm that the pumping station operates in accordance with the schematic diagrams and the required control philosophy (see D7.1.3 and F3.3.10.1).

7. Following the satisfactory completion of tests, the developer shall provide the water company with:

   a) an Electrical Installation Completion Certificate, as required by BS 7671;

   b) a copy of the test schedule relating to the tests referred to in F3.2.1.6 a) and b) above, detailing the times and dates when all tests were performed. A signed declaration that the pumping station operates in accordance with the schematic diagrams and the required control philosophy (see D5.6.3 and F3.3.10.1) shall also be provided; and

   c) a label on the front of the incoming section of the electrical assembly indicating the test date.

8. All equipment selected for use in a hazardous area shall have undergone an appropriate conformity assessment procedure (CAP) to demonstrate compliance with the essential health and safety requirements of European Directive 94/9/EC (ATEX 95), as enacted in the UK by the Equipment and Protective Systems Intended for Use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2016. Classification of hazardous areas is dependent on the water company.

F3.2.2 Labels and safety signs

F3.2.2.1 General

1. Labels and safety signs shall be written in English and be unambiguous, durable and legible. Labels shall be attached directly or adjacent to the electrical equipment to which they refer, but not to trunking covers or other easily-removable or transferable items.

2. Labels shall be attached using an appropriate number of corrosion-resistant mechanical fixings. Self-adhesive plastic tape or glue shall not be used to attach labels.

3. The fixing of labels, safety signs and notices shall not affect the IP rating of the electrical equipment.

F3.2.2.2 Labels

1. Labels mounted on the outside of an enclosure (e.g., the electrical assembly, junction box, local control station, etc.) shall be manufactured from laminated plastic and engraved so as to produce black letters on a white background. Labels mounted on the inside of an enclosure shall be to the same standard or alternatively may be printed using an approved proprietary system. Characters shall be upper case and for:
a) application labels, be not less than 6 mm in height;
b) designation labels, be not less than 4 mm in height; and
c) component identification and all other labels, be not less than 3 mm in height.

2. Internal components shall be clearly identified by individual labels and have circuit designations which correlate with the installation drawings and documentation. Where this is not practical due to space restrictions, common labels (e.g., laminated diagrams) may be used. Fuse labels shall detail the fuse rating.

**F3.2.2.3 Safety signs**

1. The lettering, colour and layout of safety signs shall comply with BS ISO 3864 and the Health and Safety (Safety Signs and Signals) Regulations 1996. Hazardous area signs shall be installed in accordance with the Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002 (DSEAR).

2. Safety signs shall be provided to avoid danger to personnel and to provide compliance with BS 7671 and Statutory Regulations. As a minimum, safety signs shall be fitted to removable covers over live connections, and to doors of compartments containing:

   a) incoming supply cable termination points;
b) incoming supply switching and isolation devices;
c) an internal switching and isolation device;
d) more than one supply or multiple control circuits originating elsewhere;
e) equipment located within a "safe area" but associated with certified apparatus located within a hazardous area. A sign shall also be fitted at the "safe area" cable termination rail; or
f) voltages greater than or equal to 50 V, where such voltages would not be expected.

3. Proprietary, self-adhesive, vinyl safety signs may be used.

**F3.3 Electrical Assembly**

1. Throughout F3.3, the use of the term enclosure is intended to mean the electrical assembly for Form 2 assemblies, or compartment for Form 4 assemblies.

**F3.3.1 General**

1. The electrical assembly shall be manufactured, tested, certified and CE marked by the manufacturer before delivery. Appropriate reference to the relevant EU Directives shall be provided adjacent to the CE mark.

2. The form of separation of the electrical assembly shall be Form 4a or 4b. For Types 1 and 2 pumping stations, a Form 2a or 2b assembly may be provided, subject to the results of an approved risk assessment, which considers the need for a pump to continue running while work is carried out on the panel. This shall take into account factors such as: the volume of flow, the practicality of dealing with this flow by other means when the pumping station is not operational, the location of the pumping station and the consequences of the risk of flooding or pollution occurring if the pumping station is not operational.
3. When an enclosure is isolated and open, the degree of ingress protection (IP rating) of any remaining live part, or of any part which could be energised at above extra-low voltage during any test procedure, shall be a minimum of IP2X.

4. Suitably-rated protection devices shall be provided at all points necessary for the protection and isolation of power and control circuits, and to minimise disruption to the overall system on the failure of a component part of the system.

5. Compartments that contain both extra-low and low-voltage systems shall be arranged so that systems of differing voltages are physically segregated from each other.

6. Electrical components shall comply with BS EN 60947-1 to 8, as appropriate.

**F3.3.2 Design verification**

1. The electrical assembly shall have undergone a process of design verification to ensure compliance with the relevant parts of BS EN 61439-2.

2. Design verification shall comprise the following constructional and performance requirements:

   **Constructional requirements:**
   
   a) strength of materials and parts;
   b) degree of protection of enclosures;
   c) clearances and creepage distances;
   d) protection against electric shock and integrity of protective devices;
   e) incorporation of switching devices and components;
   f) internal electrical circuits and connections; and
   g) terminals for external conductors.

   **Performance requirements:**
   
   a) dielectric properties;
   b) temperature rise;
   c) electromagnetic compatibility; and
   d) mechanical operation.

3. Design verification shall be achieved by the application of one or more of the following equivalent and alternative methods, as appropriate:

   a) testing;
   b) calculation;
   c) physical measurement; and/or
   d) validation of design rules.
4. All data used, calculations made and comparisons undertaken during the design verification process shall be recorded by the electrical assembly manufacturer and made available to the water company on request.

F3.3.3 Assembly construction

F3.3.3.1 General

1. The electrical assembly shall comprise an "enclosed assembly" of the cubicle type, as defined in BS EN 61439-1.

2. The electrical assembly shall be constructed of materials capable of withstanding the mechanical, electrical, thermal and environmental stresses to which it may be subjected, and the environmental and operating conditions likely to be encountered in normal service.

3. Protection against corrosion shall be ensured by the use of suitable materials or by the application of protective coatings, taking into account the intended conditions of use.

4. The electrical assembly, including doors and covers, shall be suitably braced to produce a rigid structure. For steel assemblies, the minimum thickness of the steel shall be 2 mm.

5. The minimum IP rating of the assembly shall be IP54. This IP rating shall apply to the complete assembly, including all components mounted on the assembly.

F3.3.3.2 Cable entry, cableways and gland plates

1. The electrical assembly shall be designed for bottom entry of the pump cables.

2. Cableways shall have sufficient space to enable the installation and removal of any cable without the need to remove any other cable or component. Cableways shall incorporate adequate facilities to locate and support the cables.

3. Gland plates shall be rigidly supported and maintain the IP rating of the enclosure.

4. Each gland plate shall be an integral part of the construction of its associated enclosure, i.e., it shall not be mounted on a bracket within that enclosure.

F3.3.3.3 Installation and layout of components

1. Controlgear, terminals, labels and wiring within a given enclosure shall be arranged so that each component can be identified, inspected, maintained, removed and replaced from the front of the electrical assembly without the need to enter any other enclosure and without moving or dismantling any other component or wiring. If a special tool is necessary to remove a component, the tool shall be supplied with the assembly.

2. Fixings for internal components and component mounting plates shall not penetrate the side plates of the assembly or the boundary of an adjacent enclosure. If self-tapping screws are used for component fixing, they shall be of the thread-forming or thread-rolling type.
F3.3.3.4 Doors

1. Doors shall be adequately sized and braced to accommodate all door-mounted components and labels.

2. Doors shall have vertical hinges providing an angle of opening of at least 95°.

3. Doors shall have the requisite number of handles to ensure effective opening and closing, and shall require a tool for opening.

4. Doors shall be restrained in the open position by either an integral facility in the hinge/door design or by a restrainer. Electrical braid or cable and crimped electrical lugs shall not be used as restrainers.

F3.3.4 Earthing and bonding

F3.3.4.1 General

1. The assembly earthing system shall incorporate an earth bar or main earth stud. The earth bar or stud shall be provided with facilities for connecting to the main earth terminal (MET) provided by the DNO.

2. Each metal gland plate shall be connected directly to the earth bar or stud by a separate protective conductor. Protective conductors shall be sized to withstand the fault level, subject to a minimum cross-sectional area (CSA) of 6 mm².

3. Separate earth bars or studs shall be provided for connecting equipment requiring a clean earth or an intrinsically-safe earth directly to the MET. If required, such earth bars or studs shall be located adjacent to the equipment requiring a clean earth or an intrinsically-safe earth, as appropriate.

4. Self-tapping or self-forming screws and push-on type connections shall not be used for earth connections. All earth connections shall utilise bolt or stud and nut connections with shakeproof washers.

5. The earth bar or stud shall be located in the cable marshalling compartment.

F3.3.4.2 Form 4 electrical assemblies

1. Each compartment shall include an earth stud, connected to the earth bar or main earth stud by a separate protective conductor. Protective conductors shall be sized to withstand the fault level, subject to a minimum CSA of 6 mm².

2. Each compartment shall have protective conductors, with a minimum CSA of 2.5 mm², or braided straps of the appropriate CSA for earthing and EMC requirements, taken from the compartment earth stud to the following:

   a) the compartment door;
   b) component mounting plates and earth terminals;
   c) equipment mounting rail earth terminals; and
d) the metal cases of instruments.

**F3.3.4.3 Form 2 electrical assemblies**

1. The assembly shall have protective conductors, with a minimum CSA of 2.5 mm², or braided straps of the appropriate CSA for earthing and EMC requirements, taken from the electrical assembly earth bar or stud to the following:

   a) the assembly door;  
   b) component mounting plates and earth terminals;  
   c) equipment mounting rail earth terminals; and  
   d) the metal cases of instruments.

**F3.3.5 Cabling and wiring**

**F3.3.5.1 General**

1. Single core wiring shall comply with BS 6231 and have a minimum CSA of 0.75 mm². Multi-core cables shall comply with BS EN 50525 and have a minimum CSA of 1.0 mm². Electronic equipment wiring shall have a minimum CSA of 0.22 mm². Conductors shall be stranded or flexible copper.

2. Analogue signal cabling shall comprise screened cables (individually and/or collectively screened) and/or twisted pairs.

3. Neutral conductors shall have the same CSA as their associated line conductors.

4. If ribbon cable, small cross-section wiring or multi-pin plug and socket arrangements are fitted to proprietary components, a terminal rail shall be installed adjacent to the proprietary component for conversion to conventional assembly wiring.

**F3.3.5.2 Installation**

1. Wiring shall be:

   a) installed in a neat and systematic manner;  
   b) loomed together or enclosed in non-metallic trunking. Trunking covers shall be unobstructed and easily accessible to facilitate future removal and replacement. They shall face either the side or front of the enclosure, but not the rear; and  
   c) run to enclosure doors in spirally-wrapped protection or similar. Wiring looms to doors shall be securely fixed at both ends. The spacing of intermediate adhesive fixings shall ensure that fixings are not likely to become detached during service.

2. Wires shall enter and leave an enclosure via a terminal rail and shall not be joined between terminals. Permanently-fixed insulating bushes shall be provided where wiring passes through internal plates or partitions.
3. Plastic wiring accessories including cleats, conduits and strapping shall be suitable for their operating environment and shall not degrade prematurely. Self-adhesive wiring clips shall not be used.

4. Different categories of cabling and wiring shall be installed so as to prevent interference with each other. The following requirements shall apply as a minimum:

   a) cabling and wiring associated with intrinsically-safe circuits (IS) shall be segregated from other circuits in accordance with BS EN 60079-14. IS circuit trunking shall be appropriately labelled with no other circuits enclosed within it; and

   b) if lightning and/or surge protection measures have been used to protect individual circuits, these circuits shall be segregated from the wiring of other unprotected circuits.

F3.3.5.3 Identification of wiring

1. All cabling and wiring shall be identified at both ends by interlocking ferrules, heat-shrink identification (HSI) or any other system approved by the water company, in accordance with the schematic diagrams for the electrical assembly.

2. The wiring identification system shall be the correct size for the wiring, clearly visible and accessible where the wire enters the terminal and shall read “outward” from the terminal (see Table F 1 below).

   Figure F 1
   Identification of wiring

3. All spare cores shall be identified.

4. The colour code for wiring shall be in accordance with Table F 2.

F3.3.5.4 Termination of wiring

F3.3.5.4.1 General

1. Wiring shall be terminated using insulated crimp connectors, lugs or any other approved method that is suitable for the conductor and the type of terminal. Only the crimp/lug (or equivalent) manufacturer’s recommended tools and equipment shall be used to perform the termination. All of the strands forming the conductor shall be connected at the point of termination.

2. Wiring with a CSA of less than or equal to 6 mm$^2$ shall be terminated in terminals mounted on DIN rail. Wiring with a CSA of greater than 6 mm$^2$ shall be terminated in bolted terminals.

3. Wiring shall be terminated so that all internal wiring is connected to one side of a terminal rail and all external cabling and wiring is connected to the other side of the same terminal rail.

4. No more than two conductors shall be connected to one side of a terminal.
5. Spare cores shall be terminated at both ends.

6. Groups of terminals shall be secured with an end stop at either end, which may be an earth terminal.

7. If it is necessary to use common terminals, proprietary shorting bars or combs shall be used.

8. Hinged-link type terminals shall be provided if circuit disconnection is required (e.g., for analogue signal circuits, the isolation of external control devices and for all alarm and telemetry circuits).

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Note 1: Brown may be used for all three phases, identified L1, L2 and L3 at each end of the conductor and at intervals along its length.
Note 2: If there is more than one type of single phase wiring present within the electrical assembly, the wiring shall be phase coloured.

Note 3: For example, for cables to PAS 5308-1/BS EN 50288-7, a single pair is coloured black/blue, for PAS 5308-2/BS EN 50288-7, a single pair is coloured white/blue.

**F3.3.5.4.2 Layout and identification of terminals**

1. Terminals shall be positioned so that there is sufficient surround space to enable conductors to be connected without undue bending or stress. The following requirements shall apply, as a minimum:
   
   a) to facilitate the termination of cable cores, a minimum distance of 100 mm shall be provided between the entry point of cables into an enclosure and the associated terminals. This shall be increased, as required, for larger cables; and
   
   b) a minimum distance of 30 mm shall be provided between the exit point of wiring from trunking and associated terminals.

2. Terminals shall be safely and easily accessible after all wiring has been installed and terminated.

3. Terminals shall be grouped together and segregated according to operating voltage and function by terminal rail mounted barriers. Stud type terminals shall be provided with individual segregating barriers.

4. Terminals shall face the enclosure door for ease of connection.

5. Terminals shall be positioned and uniquely identified in accordance with the schematic diagrams for the assembly and shall show the circuit wire number reference.

6. Horizontal terminals shall be numbered left to right and vertical terminals top to bottom.

7. Terminals used for the connection of intrinsically-safe circuits shall be coloured blue and be physically separated from other terminal groups by a minimum distance of 50 mm. These terminals shall have a clear shrouded cover and be fitted with an appropriate warning label.

**F3.3.5.4.3 Termination of screen signal cables**

1. If practicable or recommended by the device manufacturer, screened signal cables shall be wired directly to and terminated at the device. If this is not practicable, the method of interface termination shall not compromise the integrity of either the conductors or screen.

2. As a minimum, one end of the screen shall be bonded to earth. Further earthing requirements shall comply with the instrument manufacturer’s instructions.

3. If it is necessary to connect the screen to earth, either directly or via a capacitive coupling, a proprietary 360° connection shall be used.
4. If it is necessary to isolate the screen from earth, a suitable length of the overall sheath and the screen shall be removed and a 30 mm long silicone rubber over-sleeve shall be installed over the point of separation of conductors, screen and overall sheath.

**F3.3.6 Indicator lamps, push-buttons and selector switches**

1. Indicator lamps shall be 22 mm in diameter and be of the extra-low voltage, transformer-type with multi-cluster light emitting diodes (LEDs). Filament lamps shall not be used.

2. The indicator lamp colours shall be as follows:
   a) "Pump Unit Running" lamp – green;
   b) "Pump Unit Tripped" lamp – yellow/amber;
   c) "Auto Available" lamp – white; and
   d) individual fault lamps – yellow/amber.

3. Push-button switches shall comply with BS EN 60947-5-1. They shall be 22 mm in diameter, be of the flush bezel type and match the indicating lamps in style.

4. The push-button switch colours shall be as follows:
   a) "Pump Unit Start" push-button – green;
   b) "Pump Unit Stop" push-button – red; and
   c) common fault reset push-button – black (with appropriate labelling).

5. Selector switches shall comply with BS EN 60947-5-1. They shall be of the rotary type and be spring-loaded to ensure positive operation. All switch positions shall be clearly identified.

6. All indicator lamps, push-buttons and selector switches shall incorporate a proprietary, anti-rotation feature (e.g., a locator notch or other proprietary method of fixing). Components shall not rely solely on a locking ring to prevent rotation.

**F3.3.7 Connection for a mobile generator**

1. For Type 3 pumping stations, a connection for a mobile generator shall be provided on the incoming section of the electrical assembly. This shall be a 125 A, 5 pole (L1, L2, L3 + N + E), male appliance inlet to BS EN 60309-2.

2. The appliance inlet shall be readily accessible to facilitate the connection of the mobile generator cable.

**F3.3.8 Abnormal operation**

**F3.3.8.1 Failure of the pumping station power supply**

1. If the power supply to the pumping station fails or there is a phase failure, the control system shall transmit a "Mains Failure" alarm to telemetry.
2. On the restoration of the power supply after a mains/phase failure, the control system shall automatically resume normal operation, including (where appropriate) pump unit restart.

F3.3.8.2 Pump unit failure (initiated by hard-wired pump unit protection systems)

1. The control system shall incorporate the following hard-wired pump unit protection systems:

   a) motor overload protection;
   b) motor over-temperature protection;
   c) pump unit mechanical seal failure protection (if the pump unit is rated at or above 7.5 kW);
   d) motor underload protection (to detect ragging up/soft blockages, operation at levels below L1, i.e., drawing in air);
   e) low flow protection (if the pump unit is installed in a Type 3 pumping station);
   f) pump unit bearing vibration and temperature protection (if the pump unit is rated at or above 22 kW); and
   g) motor earth fault protection (if the total earth loop impedance of the motor circuit results in a fault clearance time of greater than 0.4 seconds).

2. If the duty pump unit fails to start or fails whilst running (due to operation of any of the hard-wired protection systems detailed in F3.3.8.2.1, above), the control system shall:

   a) transmit an alarm to telemetry;
   b) illuminate the relevant fault lamp on the electrical assembly;
   c) start the standby pump unit; and
   d) inhibit the duty pump unit from running.

3. On rectification of the fault, the control system shall automatically resume normal operation, including (where appropriate) duty pump unit restart.

4. If the standby pump unit fails to start or fails whilst running (due to operation of any of the hard-wired protection systems detailed in F3.3.8.2.1, above), the control system shall:

   a) transmit an alarm to telemetry;
   b) illuminate the relevant fault lamp on the electrical assembly; and
   c) inhibit the standby pump unit from running.

5. On rectification of the fault, the control system shall automatically resume normal operation, including (where appropriate) standby pump unit restart.

6. The pump unit bearing vibration and temperature protection system shall be configured with two “action” levels. On detection of the "Stage 1 (Caution)" vibration/temperature level, the control system shall:

   a) continue to allow the duty pump unit to run;
   b) transmit a “Stage 1 (Caution)” alarm to telemetry; and
   c) illuminate the relevant fault lamp on the electrical assembly.
7. Upon detection of the “Stage 2 (Fault)” vibration/temperature level, the control system shall:

   a) transmit a “Stage 2 (Fault)” alarm to telemetry;
   b) illuminate the relevant fault lamp on the electrical assembly;
   c) start the standby pump unit; and
   d) inhibit the duty pump unit from running.

8. If the hard-wired protection system detailed in F3.3.8.2.1 a) above is activated, the control system shall allow the operator a maximum of three remote resets after which the drive shall be locked out.

   Note: The water company can sometimes have the ability to include the limit on remote resets in their telemetry base station. The water company shall be consulted for further information.

F3.3.8.3 Interruption/loss of ultrasonic signal

1. The ultrasonic level controller (ULC) shall be configured to transmit a “Loss Level Control” alarm to telemetry if there is an interruption/loss of signal from the ultrasonic transducer in the wet well (the pumping station will be effectively under back-up level control until the fault is rectified).

2. In the event of the above, the ULC shall de-energise all pump unit relays to remove pump unit control from the ULC.

3. To prevent "nuisance" switching between ULC and back-up control, the ULC shall be configured so that transmission of alarms/de-energising of pump unit relays only occurs if there is an interruption/loss of signal for a time period greater than one minute.

F3.3.8.4 Back-up control mode

1. The back-up control mode shall be configured as a hard-wired control system operating independently of the ULC.

2. Upon receipt of a "High Wet Well Level" signal from the back-up level control, the control system shall:

   a) transmit a "Back-up Control System Activated" alarm to telemetry;
   b) illuminate a "Back-up Control System Activated" lamp on the electrical assembly; and
   c) start pump unit 1 and continue to run it under the control of a timer. The timer shall be configured so that the pump unit operates while the back-up float switch is activated plus a pre-set time period. The pre-set time period shall equal the time taken for the pump unit to pump from the high wet well level to L2, assuming that there are no incoming sewage flows into the wet well (the pump unit will, therefore, stop before the level reaches L2 if there are incoming sewage flows).

3. Pump unit 1 shall continue to start on each operation of the high level float switch until ULC control of the pump units is restored.

4. If pump unit 1 fails to start in back-up control mode, pump unit 2 shall start.
5. If pump unit 1 fails when running in back-up control mode, pump unit 2 shall start and run until the pump timer expires. Subsequently, pump unit 2 shall run every time the high level float switch is operated.

6. Duty changeovers shall be inhibited in back-up control mode.

7. On rectification of the fault that resulted in the high wet well level/back-up control mode, the control system shall either:
   
   a) automatically revert to pump unit control via the ULC; or
   
   b) manually revert to pump unit control via the ULC on operation of a reset (see F3.3.6.4 c) and F3.3.11.5.3 c);

as specified by the water company.

**F3.3.8.5 High high wet well level**

1. Upon receipt of a "High High Wet Well Level" signal from the associated float switch in the wet well, the control system shall transmit a "High High Wet Well Level" alarm to telemetry.

**F3.3.9 Telemetry signals**

1. When in accordance with F3.6, a telemetry outstation is to be provided by the water company, terminal blocks shall be provided in the common control compartment of the electrical assembly for interfacing the pumping station and each pump unit with the telemetry outstation. The function of each terminal shall be as specified in Table F 3 to Table F 6.

2. The required monitoring and control functionality for the pumping station is shown in Table F 3 and Table F 4.

3. The required monitoring and control functionality for each pump unit is shown in Table F 5 and Table F 6.

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<td>Normal/Failed</td>
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<td>High wet well alarm (F3.3.8.4)</td>
<td>Normal/High</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>3 &amp; 4</td>
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<td>High high wet well alarm (F2.3.8.5)</td>
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<td>Digital input</td>
<td>5 &amp; 6</td>
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<td>Back-up control system activated (F3.3.8.4)</td>
<td>Normal/Activated</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>7 &amp; 8</td>
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<td>✓</td>
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<td>Maintenance in progress</td>
<td>Off/On</td>
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<td>Digital input</td>
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<td>✓</td>
<td>✓</td>
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<tr>
<td>Flowmeter health</td>
<td>Normal/Failed</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>13 &amp; 14</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>Emergency overflow operating (Note 1)</td>
<td>Normal/Overflow</td>
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<tr>
<td>Wet well effluent level</td>
<td></td>
<td>Analogue input</td>
<td>17 &amp; 18</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>✓</td>
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<td>Pumping station overload</td>
<td>(Pump unit running and high high level reached)</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>19 &amp; 20</td>
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<td>X</td>
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<td>Rising main delivery flow (totalised)</td>
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<td>Pulsed input</td>
<td>21 &amp; 22</td>
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<td>X</td>
<td>Note 2</td>
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<td>Rising main delivery pressure</td>
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<td>Analogue input</td>
<td>23 &amp; 24</td>
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<td>Power consumption</td>
<td></td>
<td>Pulsed input</td>
<td>25 &amp; 26</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
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Note 1: Only required where there is an emergency overflow, where this is provided on a replacement pumping station.
Note 2: Only required if the design flow rate of each pump unit is above 70 litres per second.
Note 3: Only required if each pump unit is rated above 3.5 kW.

## Table F 4

**Telemetry requirements for pumping station control**

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<td>Remote common fault reset (Note 1)</td>
<td>Pulse to reset</td>
<td>Pulsed digital output</td>
<td>1 &amp; 2</td>
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<td>✓</td>
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<td>Remote control select</td>
<td>On/off</td>
<td>Digital output (on when contacts closed)</td>
<td>3 &amp; 4</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>✓</td>
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<tr>
<td>Remote pumping station start/stop (when remote operation selected) (Notes 1 and 2)</td>
<td>Enable/ disable</td>
<td>Digital output (on when contacts open)</td>
<td>5 &amp; 6</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>X</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Remote pump duty select (Note 1)</td>
<td>Duty standby/ duty assist</td>
<td>Digital output (duty/standby when contacts open)</td>
<td>7 &amp; 8</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>✓</td>
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Note 1: Enabled when remote control selected to On.
Note 2: In Type 3 pumping stations, remote pumping station start/stop is not required as remote pump units will be provided for each pump (see Table F 6).
Table F5
Telemetry requirements for the monitoring of each pump unit

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<tr>
<td>Pump unit running</td>
<td>Running/stopped</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>1 &amp; 2</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>✓</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pump unit tripped</td>
<td>Normal/tripped</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>3 &amp; 4</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>✓</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pump unit available/not available</td>
<td>Available/unavailable</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>5 &amp; 6</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>✓</td>
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<tr>
<td>Motor stator temperature</td>
<td>Normal/high</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>7 &amp; 8</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>✓</td>
<td>✓</td>
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<td>Pump unit vibration caution (Note 1)</td>
<td>Normal/caution</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>9 &amp; 10</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>Note 2</td>
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<td>Pump unit vibration high (Note 1)</td>
<td>Normal/high</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>11 &amp; 12</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>Note 2</td>
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<td>Pump unit seal failure (moisture in pump)</td>
<td>Normal/failed</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>13 &amp; 14</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
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<td>Pump unit lower bearing temperature</td>
<td>Normal/high</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>15 &amp; 16</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>Note 2</td>
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<tr>
<td>Pump unit load (for partial pump blockage)</td>
<td>Normal/underload</td>
<td>Digital input</td>
<td>17 &amp; 18</td>
<td>Note 4</td>
<td>Note 4</td>
<td>✓</td>
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Note 1: Zero vibration is defined as the level of vibration when the pumping station is newly commissioned and in good condition.

Note 2: Only required if each pump unit is rated at or above 22 kW.

Note 3: Only required if each pump unit is rated at or above 7.5 kW.

Note 4: Will normally be required in all cases where the pump unit is in a hazardous zone, in accordance with the Dangerous Substances and Explosive Atmospheres Regulations 2002.

Table F6
Telemetry requirements for the control of each pump unit

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<tr>
<td>Remote pump unit control</td>
<td>Start/stop</td>
<td>Digital output</td>
<td>1 &amp; 2</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>X</td>
<td>✓</td>
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Note 1: Enabled when remote control selected to On.

4. Digital inputs (i.e., providing a signal to the telemetry outstation), shall be volt-free contacts configured with the closed contact for the healthy state. If the contact is provided by a relay, then the relay shall be energised when the equipment is healthy.

5. Analogue inputs (i.e., providing a signal to the telemetry outstation) shall be a 4-20 mA current loop with a maximum loop impedance from the telemetry outstation of 250 Ohms. They shall be calibrated
such that 4 mA represents a zero measurement and 20 mA represents a full-scale measurement. A current of less than 4 mA represents a fault condition.

6. Pulsed inputs (i.e., providing a signal to the telemetry outstation) shall be via normally open volt-free contacts, providing a closed contact each time the total is incremented by one unit. The duration and frequency of the pulse shall be compatible with the particular telemetry outstation used; the instrument generating the pulses shall be configured to achieve this. If the instrument does not have volt-free outputs then an interposing relay shall be used.

7. For digital outputs, the control system shall respond to a pair of volt-free contacts in the telemetry outstation rated at no less than 24 volts and 1 amp. Pulsed digital output, contacts shall be closed for at least ten seconds.

F3.3.10 Ultrasonic level controller (ULC) specification

F3.3.10.1 Normal operation

1. The ULC shall be configured to sequentially rotate the pump unit duty/standby status each time all pump units are stopped to ensure equal pump unit usage.

2. The ULC shall be configured to initiate a wet well cleaning "snore" cycle once a day (i.e., allow the duty pump unit to "over-run" down to L1 during periods of high/peak flows into the wet well). L1 shall be chosen to be as low as possible without affecting the safe/effective operation of the pump units; the pump unit manufacturer shall be consulted to this end. Pump unit underload protection must not be overridden by this cycle.

3. The ULC shall be configured so that the wet well level readings are displayed (and/or, if required, transmitted via telemetry) in metres.

4. The ULC shall be configured so that the "zero level" reading in the wet well corresponds to L1, i.e., the level below which the pump units cannot pump anymore.

F3.3.10.2 Features

1. The ULC shall incorporate a number of relays (minimum of five) to operate the pump units and alarms according to the required control philosophy.

2. The ULC shall incorporate a 4-20 mA output (typically used for remote wet well level monitoring via telemetry).

3. The ULC shall incorporate a number of digital inputs (see F3.3.9).

4. The ULC shall incorporate a real-time clock with facility to automatically correct for GMT/BST.

5. The ULC shall incorporate a clear visual display of settings/parameters and conditions using standard engineering units. The display shall be visible during times of low light (e.g., by means of a back light).
6. The ULC shall be capable of communication with the upstream telemetry outstation via either a hard-wired connection or serial data communications.

7. The ULC shall be suitable for fascia or panel mounting.

8. The ULC shall be suitable for operation from a 24 V dc/110 V ac control circuit supply.

9. The ULC shall be suitable for operating pump units installed in a wet well classified as a hazardous area.

F3.3.10.3 Functionality

1. The ULC shall be capable of measuring levels from 0.3 to 15 m with an accuracy of 0.25\% (based on the distance between the transducer head and the liquid level).

2. The ULC shall be capable of accurately logging the following parameters for each pump unit:
   a) total volume pumped;
   b) pump unit efficiency;
   c) number of hours run (normal operation and run-on hours); and
   d) number of starts.

3. All operator-programmed settings/control parameters shall be stored in non-volatile memory to ensure that settings/control parameters are not affected by power interruption.

4. The ULC shall allow restricted access to parameter settings (e.g., by means of password protection) and have the ability to secure all programming from inadvertent alteration.

5. Setting/configuration of parameters shall not require the use of a laptop computer nor shall it require the operator to enter or lean into the wet well to configure its parameters.

6. The ULC shall be capable of the following basic pump functions:
   a) fixing the pump unit duty/standby status (fixed pump function);
   b) sequentially rotating the pump unit duty/standby status (each time all pump units are stopped) to ensure equal pump unit usage (alternate pump function); and
   c) allowing one pump unit to be used in preference to the other (pump service ratio function).

7. The ULC shall be capable of allowing the pump units to "run-on" to a level below the normal stop level for a specified time for the wet well cleaning/snore cycle (see F3.3.10.1). The pump unit "run-on" interval and duration shall be adjustable to allow optimisation of the cleaning cycle without causing pump unit maloperation or damage.

8. The ULC shall be capable of switching the pump units on for a variable time period after long periods of inactivity (pump exercising) to verify pump unit operation and to prevent blockage and drying out of seals (provided that a minimum suction head is available).
9. The ULC shall be capable of randomly varying the pump unit start and stop points within a selectable range to minimise the build up of grease and other material in the wet well (wall cling reduction).

10. The ULC shall be capable of varying pumping set points to take advantage of low electricity rates (pump energy cost reduction), i.e., the controller shall pump down the wet well to a low level when power is cheapest and maintain higher levels when power rates are at a premium.

11. The ULC shall be capable of transmitting a “Loss of Pump Efficiency” alarm.

12. The ULC shall be capable a transmitting a signal to a flow totaliser to enable the pumped volume to be recorded remotely from the controller.

**F3.3.11 Functional units – Form 4 assemblies**

**F3.3.11.1 General**

1. The electrical assembly shall, as a minimum, incorporate the following functional units:

   a) an incomer compartment;
   b) a "Pump Unit No. 1" motor starter compartment;
   c) a "Pump Unit No. 2" motor starter compartment;
   d) a common control compartment; and
   e) a cable marshalling compartment or cable-way.

2. A typical panel layout is shown in Table F 2.

3. The form of separation of the electrical assembly shall be Form 4a or 4b. Separation of functional units shall be achieved by partitions or barriers and not via the integral housing of a device.

**F3.3.11.2 Incomer compartment**

1. The electrical assembly shall be supplied from one incoming power supply from the DNO with the facility for a mobile generator supply.

2. The incomer compartment shall, as a minimum, accommodate the following equipment and facilities:

   a) two 4-pole (3-phase and switched neutral) fuse switches with suitably-rated HRC fuses, mechanically interlocked and assembled to form a switch for the mains and mobile generator supplies. The switch shall be linked to a switch to disconnect and connect the earthing conductor (see F3.4.6.1.5) for the appropriate source at substantially the same time as the related live conductors and shall be labelled "Mains/Off/Generator";
   b) a phase failure, phase reversal and low voltage protection relay to provide a "Mains Failure" telemetry signal. The phase failure detection relay shall be connected downstream of the "Mains/Off/Generator" switch;
   c) a set of fuses and a neutral link for the phase failure relay and voltmeter (see F3.3.11.2.3 below); and
   d) power monitoring facilities if the rating of each pump unit is above 3.5 kW.
3. The following equipment shall, as a minimum, be mounted on the door of the incomer compartment:

   a) the common operating handle for the two 4-pole (3-phase and switched neutral) fuse switches. This shall be door interlocked and padlockable in the "Off" position;
   b) a voltmeter, scaled 0-500 V, and 7-position selector switch;
   c) an ammeter; and
   d) a fuse-fed, single phase and neutral, distribution board, complying with BS EN 61439-3, with integral isolator and hinged cover. All MCBs, RCDs and RCBOs incorporated within the distribution board shall comply with BS EN 60898, BS EN 61008 and BS EN 61009, respectively, and be padlockable in the "Off" position.

   e) kiosk anti-condensation heater;
   f) kiosk lighting;
   g) kiosk socket outlet supplies;
   h) telemetry outstation; and
   i) spare.

5. All five circuits shall be wired to outgoing terminals.

**F3.3.11.3 Control circuit supplies**

1. Control circuit supplies shall comply with the requirements of BS EN 60204-1. The control circuit supply voltage shall be 110 V ac or 24 V dc.

2. The common control and motor starter functional units shall each be provided with a dedicated control circuit transformer (CCT).

3. The common control and motor starter functional units shall each be provided with a means of switching, isolation and short-circuit protection for the incoming control circuit supplies. Control circuit supplies shall be energised when the associated fuse switch is in the "On" or "Test" position.

4. The primary and secondary windings of all CCTs shall be protected by fuses or double pole MCBs. Removable neutral links shall be provided if protection is afforded by fuses.

4. With respect to item d) above, the distribution board shall comprise a minimum of five ways, which shall be suitably-rated and labelled for the following duties:
Figure F 2
Standard flush mount davit socket

Key:
- Area available for mounting door-mounted components (voltmeters, distribution boards, lamps, push buttons, etc.), as required.
- Isolator
- Lockable handle
- Terminals
- Hinge
- Gland plate
- Welded lug for wall mounting
- Alternative locations for incoming supplies from utilities or standby generator.

Note: The relative proportions of the compartments/functional units and the position of the hinges, isolating switches, etc., are preferred but are indicative only.
5. CCTs shall be double-wound and comply with the relevant parts of BS EN 61558.

6. CCTs shall have one side of their secondary windings earthed. CCTs shall incorporate a separate earth screen for each secondary voltage, with each screen having a connection point on the transformer terminal block. A common protective conductor shall be used for earthing the screen terminals. Neutrals or negatives of control circuit supplies shall be connected to earth at one point only.

7. CCTs shall be wired as follows:

   a) P1 – 400 V L1;
   b) P2 – 400 V L2;
   c) S1 – 110/24 V neutral; and
   d) S2 – 110/24 V live.

8. The power rating of each CCT shall be equal to the maximum “hold-in” VA rating of all simultaneously-energised control equipment plus the “pull-in” VA rating of the largest device, or the total of all devices that may operate simultaneously, whichever is the greater.

**F3.3.11.4 Motor starter compartments**

1. Each motor starter compartment shall, as a minimum, accommodate the following equipment:

   a) a triple-pole fuse switch with three suitably-rated HRC fuses and auxiliary switching of all live and neutral control circuits (complete with test position);
   b) motor contactor(s);
   c) a 3-phase thermal overload relay with single phasing protection;
   d) a control circuit transformer, control circuit fuses and links;
   e) additional motor protection systems (see F3.3.11.4.3 below); and
   f) all necessary relays and timers (including proprietary brown-out and restart relays and timers).

2. With respect to F3.3.11.4.1 a) above, when the fuse switch is in the “Test” position, only control circuit voltages shall be present within the compartment.

3. With respect to F3.3.11.4.1 e) above, motor starters shall incorporate the following additional motor protection systems:

   a) motor over-temperature protection;
   b) pump unit mechanical seal failure protection (if the pump unit is rated at or above 7.5 kW);
   c) motor underload protection; and
   d) motor earth fault protection (if the total earth loop impedance of the motor circuit results in a fault clearance time of greater than 0.4 seconds).

4. All motor protection systems shall be of the electrically-latched and manually-reset type.
5. The following equipment shall, as a minimum, be mounted on the door of each motor starter compartment:

a) the operating handle for the fuse switch. This shall be door interlocked and padlockable in the "Off" position;

b) a “Hand/Off/Auto" selector switch;

c) a “Common Fault” Reset push-button;

d) a "Pump Unit Start" push-button;

e) a "Pump Unit Stop" push-button;

f) a "Pump Unit Tripped" lamp;

g) a "Pump Unit Running" lamp;

h) an “Auto-available” lamp;

i) individual fault lamps;

j) an ammeter; and

k) an “Hours Run” meter.

6. All motor starters shall provide Type 2 Co-ordination to BS EN 60947-4.

7. The proprietary brown-out timer shall instigate an automatic reset of the protection circuits upon reinstatement of control circuit supplies or on any disturbance of the control circuit supplies likely to result in the maloperation of the control circuits or relays.

8. If the wet well is classified as a hazardous area, the motor starters shall incorporate all necessary hazardous area facilities (e.g., motor over-temperature protection systems, intrinsically-safe barriers, etc.) in compliance with the requirements of the relevant Standard and Certificate of Conformity.

F3.3.11.5 Common control compartment

1. The common control compartment (CCC) shall, as a minimum, accommodate the following common control equipment (CCE):

a) a double pole (single phase and neutral) fuse switch with auxiliary switching of all live and neutral control circuits;

b) a control circuit transformer;

c) separate fuses and links for the ultrasonic level control system, control circuits and back-up float switch level control system;

d) an ultrasonic level controller (or equivalent) to enable start, stop, control and sequencing of the pump units to control the sewage level in the wet well;

e) a back-up float switch level control system relay and timer to operate a given pump unit for a set period (using a high-level float switch in the wet well) in the event of failure of the ultrasonic level control system (see F3.3.8.4); and

f) a separate high, high-level float switch relay for a high high-level alarm (operated from a separate float switch in the wet well).

2. With respect to F3.3.11.5.1 e) and F3.3.11.5.1 f) above, if the wet well is classified as a hazardous area, all connections to float switches shall be via intrinsically-safe isolators/barriers.
3. In addition to the HMI (human machine interface) for the ultrasonic level controller (or equivalent), the following equipment shall, as a minimum, be mounted on the door of the common control compartment:

   a) the operating handle for the fuse switch. This shall be door interlocked and padlockable in the "Off" position;
   b) a "Back-up Float Switch Level Control System Activated" indicator lamp; and
   c) a Reset button for item b) above (see F3.3.8.4.7).

4. The design and construction of the CCC shall enable safe inspection, testing, calibration and diagnostic activities to be carried out with the CCE energised and accessible. Safe testing shall be afforded by the use of extra-low voltage systems and segregation of circuits employing different voltages. Additional localised shrouding of circuits above extra-low voltage shall be provided to IP2X minimum.

5. Every circuit within the CCC shall be provided with a clearly-identifiable means of switching and isolation for individual items or groups of equipment, as required, for the correct operation of the pumping station. Suitably-rated overcurrent protection devices shall be provided at all points necessary for the protection and isolation of every circuit and to minimise disruption to the overall system on failure of a component part of that system.

6. Apparatus and systems associated with hazardous area installations, as defined in BS EN 60079-10-1, shall be segregated from other CCE in an approved manner, in compliance with the requirements of the relevant Standard and Certificate of Conformity.

7. Terminals for connecting an externally-mounted telemetry outstation to the electrical assembly’s I/O shall form part of the CCE and be labelled "Telemetry Terminals".

**F3.3.11.6 Cable marshalling compartment or cable-way**

1. A cable marshalling compartment or cable-way shall be provided for marshalling outgoing and bus wiring cables. It shall be configured to provide adequate access to all cables entering or leaving functional units.

2. Incomer, motor starter, CCE and telemetry terminals shall not be located within this compartment.

3. This compartment shall incorporate the common, solid earth bar or stud arrangement (see Section F3.3.4.3).

**F3.3.12 Functional units – Form 2 assemblies**

**F3.3.12.1 General**

1. Where a Form 2 electrical assembly is provided, the incomer equipment shall not be incorporated into the assembly but shall be installed separately within the kiosk.
**F3.3.12.2 Incomer equipment**

1. The electrical assembly shall, as a minimum, incorporate the following functional units:
   
   a) control circuit supplies;
   b) a "Pump Unit No. 1" motor starter;
   c) a "Pump Unit No. 2" motor starter; and
   d) a common control compartment.

2. The form of separation of the electrical assembly shall be Form 2a or 2b.

3. The incoming supply cable terminals shall be segregated and shrouded from other terminals and shall be wired directly onto the main incoming switching and isolation device.

4. Components associated with the same starters or control functionality shall be grouped together in a logical order. The components of different starters shall be segregated by additional space.

5. The common control equipment shall be housed in a separate compartment to all other functional units (see F3.3.12.6).

**F3.3.12.3 Incomer**

1. The electrical assembly shall be supplied from one mains incoming power supply from the DNO.

2. The incomer shall, as a minimum, incorporate the following equipment and facilities:
   
   a) a 4-pole (3-phase and switched neutral) fuse switch with three suitably-rated HRC fuses. The switch shall be labelled "On/Off/Test";
   b) a phase failure, phase reversal and low voltage protection relay to provide a "Mains Failure" telemetry signal. The phase failure detection relay shall be connected downstream of the "On/Off/Test" switch; and
   c) a set of fuses and a neutral link for the phase failure relay and voltmeter (see clause F3.3.12.3.3 below).

3. The following equipment shall, as a minimum, be mounted on the door of the electrical assembly adjacent to the incomer:
   
   a) the common operating handle for the triple pole and switched neutral fuse switch. This shall be door interlocked and padlockable in the "Off" position;
   b) a voltmeter, scaled 0-500 V, and seven-position selector switch;
   c) an ammeter; and
   d) a fuse-fed, single phase and neutral, distribution board, complying with BS EN 61439-3, with integral isolator and hinged cover. All MCBs, RCDs and RCBOs incorporated within the distribution board shall comply with BS EN 60898, BS EN 61008 and BS EN 61009, respectively, and be padlockable in the "Off" position.
4. With respect to F3.3.12.2.3 d) above, the distribution board shall comprise a minimum of five ways, which shall be suitably-rated and labelled for the following duties:

   a)  kiosk anti-condensation heater;
   b)  kiosk lighting;
   c)  kiosk socket outlet supplies;
   d)  telemetry outstation; and
   e)  spare.

5. All five circuits shall be wired to outgoing terminals.

F3.3.12.4 Control circuit supplies

1. Control circuit supplies shall be housed within the electrical assembly adjacent to the incomer.

2. Control circuit supplies shall comply with the requirements of BS EN 60204-1. The control circuit supply voltage shall be 110 V ac or 24 V dc.

3. The primary and secondary windings of the CCTs shall be protected by fuses or double pole MCBs. Removable neutral links shall be provided if protection is afforded by fuses.

4. CCTs shall be double-wound and comply with the relevant parts of BS EN 61558.

5. CCTs shall have one side of their secondary windings earthed. CCTs shall incorporate a separate earth screen for each secondary voltage, with each screen having a connection point on the transformer terminal block. A common protective conductor shall be used for earthing the screen terminals. Neutrals or negatives of control circuit supplies shall be connected to earth at one point only.

6. CCTs shall be wired as follows:

   a)  P1 – 400 V L1;
   b)  P2 – 400 V L2;
   c)  S1 – 110/24 V neutral; and
   d)  S2 – 110/24 V live.

7. The power rating of each CCT shall be equal to the maximum "hold-in" VA rating of all simultaneously-energised control equipment plus the "pull-in" VA rating of the largest device, or the total of all devices that may operate simultaneously, whichever is the greater.

F3.3.12.5 Motor starters

1. The electrical assembly shall be provided with two motor starters. Each motor starter shall, as a minimum, incorporate the following equipment:

   a)  suitable isolating, overload and short circuit protection device(s);
   b)  motor contactor(s);
   c)  a 3-phase thermal overload relay with single phasing protection;
d) control circuit fuses and links;
e) additional motor protection systems (see F3.3.12.5.2 below); and
f) all necessary relays and timers.

2. With respect to F3.3.12.5.1 e) above, motor starters may incorporate the following additional motor protection systems:
   a) motor over-temperature protection;
   b) pump unit mechanical seal failure protection (if the pump unit is rated at or above 7.5 kW);
   c) motor underload protection; and
   d) motor earth fault protection (if the total earth loop impedance of the motor circuit results in a fault clearance time of greater than 0.4 seconds).

3. All motor protection systems shall be of the electrically-latched and manually-reset type.

4. The following equipment shall, as a minimum, be mounted on the door of the electrical assembly adjacent to each motor starter:
   a) a “Hand/Off/Auto” selector switch;
   b) a “Common Fault Reset” push-button switch (this may be common to both motor starters);
   c) a “Pump Unit Start” push-button switch;
   d) a “Pump Unit Stop” push-button switch;
   e) a “Pump Unit Tripped” lamp;
   f) a “Pump Unit Running” lamp;
   g) an “Auto-available” lamp;
   h) individual fault lamps; and
   i) an “Hours Run” meter.

5. All motor starters shall provide Type 2 Co-ordination to BS EN 60947-4.

6. The proprietary brown-out timer shall instigate an automatic reset of the protection circuits upon reinstatement of control circuit supplies, or on any disturbance of the control circuit supplies likely to result in the maloperation of the control circuits or relays.

7. If the wet well is classified as a hazardous area, the motor starters shall incorporate all necessary hazardous area facilities (e.g., motor over-temperature protection systems, intrinsically-safe barriers, etc.) in compliance with the requirements of the relevant Standard and Certificate of Conformity.

F3.3.12.6 Common control section

1. The common control section (CCS) shall, as a minimum, accommodate the following common control equipment (CCE):
   a) suitable isolating, overload and short circuit protection devices;
   b) separate fuses and links for the ultrasonic level control system, control circuits and back-up float switch level control system;
c) an ultrasonic level controller (or equivalent) to enable start, stop, control and sequencing of the pump units to control the sewage level in the wet well;

d) a back-up float switch level control system relay and timer to operate a given pump unit for a set period (using a high-level float switch in the wet well) in the event of failure of the ultrasonic level control system;

e) a separate high, high-level float switch relay for a high high-level alarm (operated from a separate float switch in the wet well); and

f) all necessary relays and timers (including proprietary brown-out and restart relays and timers).

2. With respect to F3.3.12.6.1 d) and e) above, if the wet well is classified as a hazardous area, all connections to float switches shall be via intrinsically-safe connections.

3. In addition to the HMI for the ultrasonic level controller (or equivalent), the following equipment shall, as a minimum, be mounted on the door of the common control section:

   a) a "Back-up Float Switch Level Control System Activated" indicator lamp; and

   b) a "Reset" button for item a) above.

4. The design and construction of the CCS shall enable safe inspection, testing, calibration and diagnostic activities to be carried out with the CCE energised and accessible. Safe testing shall be afforded by the use of extra-low voltage systems and segregation of circuits employing different voltages. Additional localised shrouding of circuits above extra-low voltage shall be provided to IP4X minimum.

5. Every circuit within the CCS shall be provided with a clearly-identifiable means of switching and isolation for individual items or groups of equipment, as required, for the correct operation of the pumping station. Suitably-rated overcurrent protection devices shall be provided at all points necessary for the protection and isolation of every circuit and to minimise disruption to the overall system on failure of a component part of that system.

6. Apparatus and systems associated with hazardous area installations, as defined in BS EN 60079-10, shall be segregated from other CCE in an approved manner in compliance with the requirements of the relevant Standard and Certificate of Conformity.

7. Terminals for connecting an externally-mounted telemetry outstation to the electrical assembly's I/O shall form part of the CCE and be labelled "Telemetry Terminals".

F3.4 Pumping Station Electrical Installation

F3.4.1 Electrical components and equipment (excluding the electrical assembly and cables)

F3.4.1.1 General

1. All components and equipment shall be suitable for their intended duty, particularly with respect to the following:
a) the electrical supply and load requirements;
b) the degree of ingress protection (IP rating);
c) the environmental conditions (particularly corrosion resistance); and
d) the mechanical properties (especially impact strength).

F3.4.1.2 Socket outlet

1. A splashproof, 16 A, 230 V, IP54 (minimum) socket outlet, complying with BS EN 60309-2, shall be provided inside the kiosk. This shall be provided with 30 mA RCD protection.

F3.4.1.3 Luminaires

1. A number of suitably-rated, IP56, fluorescent luminaires shall be securely mounted inside the kiosk at roof level to illuminate the DNO supply section, electrical assembly and all associated equipment.

2. The luminaires shall be provided with a splashproof "On/Off" switch, complying with BS EN 60669-1, mounted inside the kiosk, adjacent to a door.

F3.4.1.4 Anti-condensation heaters

1. The kiosk shall be equipped with a number of suitably-rated, tubular, anti-condensation heaters. Heaters shall be controlled by tamperproof thermostats, initially set at 5°C.

F3.4.1.5 Junction boxes

1. Junction boxes shall be designed for bottom cable entry.

2. Junction boxes shall be sized so that there is adequate space between the point of cable entry and the terminals, such that cable cores may be spread, loomed, identified, terminated and subsequently removed for testing, without experiencing excessive bending or stress.

3. Junction boxes shall be provided with an adequate means of earthing.

4. Terminals shall be clipped to rails fixed to the back of the junction box or supported off brackets integral with the junction box.

5. When a junction box is open, the degree of ingress protection to any live part, or to any part that could be energised at above low voltage during any test procedure, shall be a minimum of IP2X.

6. Junction box lids or covers shall be secured closed by captive, threaded fasteners.

F3.4.2 Installation of components and equipment

1. All equipment shall be securely mounted using proprietary fixtures and fittings.

2. Equipment terminals and covers shall be readily and safely accessible after installation.

3. The method of equipment installation shall not affect the IP rating of the equipment.
4. Unless otherwise agreed with the water company, cable access to all electrical enclosures shall be bottom entry.

**F3.4.3 Cables**

1. All cables shall be manufactured, tested and certified in accordance with a procedure approved by the British Approvals Service for Electric Cables (BASEC) and shall comply with the latest relevant British or harmonised European Standards.

2. Cable selection and sizing shall comply with the requirements of BS 7671 and the recommendations of IET Guidance Note No. 1: Selection & Erection, with particular reference to Appendix H.

3. Cables shall have copper conductors complying with BS EN 13602. Cores of cross-sectional area greater than 1.5 mm$^2$ shall be stranded or flexible.

4. If neutral conductors are provided, they shall be of the same cross-sectional area as the associated line conductor.

5. The types/ratings and sizes of cables selected for a given application shall comply with Table F.7.

**Table F.7**

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Note 1: The colour of the insulation on live and neutral cables shall be brown and blue, respectively.

**F3.4.4 Installation of cables**

1. Cable installation shall comply with the requirements of BS 7671 and the recommendations of IET Guidance Note No. 1: Selection & Erection (8th edition) with particular reference to Appendix I.

2. Cables and cable support systems shall not be fixed to pump unit guide rails.

3. Joints shall not be permitted in individual power and control cables, except at junction boxes.
4. Cables that may be subject to accidental mechanical damage shall be suitably protected. The degree of mechanical protection offered to cables (e.g., installation in PVC ducting, metal conduit, etc.) shall be appropriate to the likelihood and consequences (i.e., risk) of cable damage.

5. Ducts shall be provided for installation of the following:

   a) the DNO's incoming power cable. One duct shall be provided, sized in accordance with the DNO's specification (e.g., colour, size, etc.) and routed between the point of supply and the kiosk plinth, in accordance with the DNO requirements;

   b) the installation earth cable. One duct shall be provided, 50 mm in diameter and routed between the point of supply and the kiosk plinth;

   c) the pump unit cables. Two ducts shall be provided, 150 mm in diameter and routed between the wet well and kiosk plinth, see F3.4.5.4;

   d) the ultrasonic level sensor and float switch cables. One duct shall be provided, 100 mm in diameter and routed between the wet well and the kiosk plinth;

   e) where the signal is to be transmitted through the public telephone network, one duct shall be provided for the telemetry cable, sized according to the telephone company's requirements, and routed between the kiosk plinth and the point of connection to the public telephone network; and

   f) where the telemetry signal is to be transmitted by other means, the water company shall be consulted regarding their requirements.

6. Ducts shall consist of rigid black or grey PVC-U pipe, complying with BS EN 1401-1 and BS 4660.

7. Changes in direction of ducts shall be achieved using long radius bends. Ducts shall have self-aligning, watertight joints and a smooth internal bore. All accessories shall be proprietary and made from the same material as the duct.

8. The ducts for the pump unit cables shall enter the wet well near to its top so that the pump unit cables can be easily reached from the top of the wet well.

9. Ducts shall terminate approximately 75 mm proud of the surface of the plinth.

10. Depth of cover in soft ground shall be a minimum of 500 mm above the crown of the duct.

11. On completion, all ducts shall have a swab drawn through to clear them of obstructions.

12. Ducts shall be left with an excess 1 m length of 8 mm diameter nylon drawcord in place, anchored at each end.
13. After installation of cables, all ducts shall be sealed with a proprietary (fire-retardant and gas and watertight) sealing system. Cable transit block style sealing systems or polyurethane foam shall not be used.

14. Conduit shall be provided for installation of the cables associated with the kiosk lighting and heating systems and/or socket outlets.

15. Conduit shall be manufactured from 20 mm diameter, high-impact resistance, heavy-gauge PVC-U and comply with BS EN 61386-1 and BS EN 61386-21. The outside diameters of conduits and the dimensions of threads for conduits and fittings shall comply with BS EN 60423. All fittings shall be glued.

**F3.4.5 Glanding, identification and termination of cables**

**F3.4.5.1 Glanding**

1. The construction and performance of cable glands shall comply with BS EN 62444.

2. Cable glands shall be suitable for the type of cable being installed and its intended operating environment. Cable gland selection shall, as a minimum, consider the following performance requirements:

   a) mechanical properties;
   b) electrical properties; and
   c) resistance to external influences. The minimum degree of ingress protection shall be IP66 in accordance with BS EN 60529.

3. All glands selected for use on steel wire armoured (SWA) cables shall incorporate sealing on the outer sheath.

4. Where a cable is ganged through a painted or otherwise coated metallic surface, provision shall be made to ensure earth continuity between the gland and the enclosure.

**F3.4.5.2 Identification**

1. Cable cores shall be identified at both ends by interlocking ferrules or another approved system. Cables shall be uniquely identified.

2. Where provided, identification labels shall be legible, durable and securely affixed to the cable sheath by means of buckle-type straps, and shall carry the cable reference in PVC channel strip. The reference character sizes shall be not less than 3 mm high. Cables shall be uniquely identified.

**F3.4.5.3 Termination**

1. Termination of cables shall comply with F3.3.5.4.
F3.4.5.4 Connection of pump unit cables

1. If the pumping station is located in a secure compound, each pair of cables shall be connected in a separate weatherproof junction box, located adjacent to the top of the wet well.

2. If the pumping station is not located in a secure compound, each pump unit cable shall be directly cabled to the electrical assembly via the duct provided (i.e., without any intermediate joints). If the wet well is designated as a hazardous area, the kiosk shall be provided with facilities to prevent the ingress of explosive or corrosive gases into the kiosk (e.g., block and bleed system, etc.) in the event that the normal duct sealing arrangements are compromised.

F3.4.6 Earthing and bonding

F3.4.6.1 General

1. All earthing and equipotential bonding shall be performed in accordance with:
   a) BS 7671, with particular reference to the recommendations of IET Guidance Note 5: Protection Against Electric Shock and IET Guidance Note 8: Earthing & Bonding;
   b) BS 7430; and
   c) the Electricity Safety, Quality and Continuity Regulations 2002.

2. Typical earthing arrangements are shown in Figure F 3.

3. Prior to design of the earthing system, the type of earthing and the external earth fault loop impedance shall be obtained from the DNO. The documentary evidence of this information shall be provided on request.

4. The earthing system shall be compatible with any existing DNO earthing system.

5. A changeover contactor shall be provided to disconnect the pumping station from the DNO’s main earth terminal (MET) and connect it to the earth electrode (see F3.3.6.2), in the event that a mobile generator is connected to the pumping station. This shall be linked to generator changeover switch (see F3.3.11.2) so that the earthing conductor is disconnected and connected for the appropriate source, at substantially the same time as the related live conductors.

F3.4.6.2 Earth electrode

F3.4.6.2.1 General

1. If the pumping station has the provision for the connection of a mobile generator (Type 3 pumping stations), then an earth electrode shall be provided.

2. The earth electrode shall be connected to a stud terminal provided in the kiosk for connection of the mobile generator star point to the earth electrode.
F3.4.6.2.2 Earth electrode

1. The earth electrode shall comprise a number of interconnected earth rod assemblies, driven into the ground external to the kiosk.

2. Each earth rod assembly shall comprise a number of copper-clad, high-tensile steel rods. Rods shall be at least 16.0 mm (nominal) in diameter with hardened steel tips and driving caps. Individual rods shall be no more than 1.2 m long. The copper cladding shall be molecularly bonded to the steel and be not less than 0.25 mm thick.

3. Connections between individual rods shall be by screwed joints. A corrosion-inhibiting paste shall be applied to all threads before assembly.

4. A single earth rod assembly shall be not more than 6 m long and the separation between adjacent earth rod assemblies shall be not less than 1.25 times the length of the longest earth rod assembly.

5. The earth rod assemblies shall be interconnected using earthing conductors, consisting of bare copper tape, sized according to the anticipated fault current. The final earthing conductor (which will connect the earth electrode to the main earth terminal (MET)) shall be a copper tape or stranded conductor and shall be sheathed in green/yellow PVC insulation.

6. Inspection pits shall be installed at the point of connection of every earthing conductor to an earth rod assembly. Inspection pits shall be mounted flush with the finished ground level and be fitted with a prominently-labelled, removable lid. If the pit is installed in an area of hardstanding, the pit and lid shall be manufactured from concrete. In each inspection pit, a label, stating "Safety Electrical Earth – Do Not Remove", shall be permanently attached to the point of connection between the earth rod assembly and earthing conductor.

7. The earth electrode shall provide a maximum effective earth resistance of 10 Ohms.

F3.4.6.3 Bonding

F3.4.6.3.1 General

1. PVC-coated copper tape or cable shall be used for bonding connections (i.e., aluminium or copper-clad aluminium conductors shall not be used).

2. Metal tabs worded "Safety Electrical Earth – Do Not Remove" shall be attached to all bonding connections.

F3.4.6.3.2 Main equipotential bonding

1. All extraneous conductive parts of the pumping station shall be connected to the main earthing terminal (MET).
2. The bonding conductor shall be connected to the various connection points in the kiosk, valve chamber and wet well, as indicated in Figure F3. The bonding conductor shall be continuous and not cut at each connection.

_F3.4.6.3 Supplementary equipotential bonding_

1. Any extraneous conductive parts, i.e., any metalwork not forming part of the pumping station (electrical) but which itself may have some connection with the mass of earth and which is in such a position that a person could make simultaneous contact between it and an exposed conductive part of the electrical installation, shall be bonded to the nearest exposed conductive part, unless it can be shown to be in otherwise good contact with the earthing system.

2. Supplementary bonding of a permanent and reliable nature shall be carried out to extraneous conductive parts in a manner that takes due consideration of subsequent maintenance activities.

3. If the use of pipework or equipment with specialised, fully-protective, non-conducting surface preparations cannot guarantee earth continuity (notably across flanged joints), then supplementary earth bonding conductors, or purpose-designed hardware ensuring continuity, shall be used.

4. Metallic cable and wiring support systems shall be bonded to all non-electrical services.

_F3.4.6.4 Joints and connections_

_F3.4.6.4.1 Joints_

1. Joints in cables and tapes shall not be permitted.

_F3.4.6.4.2 Connections_

1. Connections shall be made:
   
a) to main earthing terminals by phosphor bronze set screws and nuts; and
   
b) to earth rods by bronze, gunmetal, or copper clamps, with phosphor bronze bolts.
Figure F 3
Typical earthing arrangements

Note:
Earth bonding connections indicated thus:

The following actual equipment must be bonded to the earthing terminal:

1. All case earth connections, etc., in the kiosk/building;
2. Metal ladder (if provided);
3. Pump guide rails;
4. Pump delivery pipes and auxiliary suction pipe;
5. Metal rising main; and
6. Metal cover support frames.

The pump casing is connected to the protective multiple earth (P.M.E.) earthing terminal via the flexible cable between the pump and the kiosk/building.
2. Termination of cables shall be by lugs jointed to the cable by an exothermic welding process, by crimping or by compression joints complying with BS EN 61238.

3. If holes are drilled in copper tape for connection to items of plant, the effective cross-sectional area of the connection shall be maintained.

4. Surfaces of all equipment to which protective conductors are connected shall be clean, and free from paint and other non-conducting material. Surface preparation shall be removed at the point of contact, with the exception of galvanized or similar metallic preparations. Any surface preparations that have been removed shall be made good upon completion of the connection to preserve the life and purpose of both the surface and the protective conductor.

F3.4.6.4.3 Protection

1. All connections that are exposed to the elements, or not contained inside switchgear enclosures or other electrical apparatus, shall be protected immediately after making with a suitable surface preparation. This preparation shall be easily removable without cleaning compounds and shall not be harmful to personnel or to the materials to which it is applied. It shall not impair electrical conductivity.

F3.5 Instrumentation

F3.5.1 Flowmeter specification

1. A flowmeter shall be provided for all Type 3 pumping stations where the design flow rate of each pump unit is above 70 litres per second.

F3.5.2 Installation of instrumentation

1. Where practicable, the ultrasonic level sensor head shall be suspended from a stainless steel mounting plate affixed over an aperture in the wet well cover slab, so that it can be easily removed for adjustment or replacement (e.g., hinged), without the need for man-entry into the wet well. The mounting plate and its securing bolts shall be recessed into the cover slab to provide a trip-free level surface. Alternatively, where the design of the wet well requires the sensor head to be positioned in the opening in the cover slab, it shall be affixed to a stainless steel hinged bracket in such a manner that it can be removed/adjusted with the safety grids/grilles in place. The sensor head shall be positioned so as not to restrict manual access into the wet well chamber.

2. The ultrasonic level detector head shall be mounted to ensure that the minimum blanking distance is not compromised under any conditions.

3. All float switches shall be supported by stainless steel brackets.

4. Mounting plates, hinged brackets and brackets shall be made from stainless steel number 1.4404 to BS EN 10088-1.
F3.6 Telemetry Outstation

1. Provision for transmission of telemetry signals shall be made by one of the following means:
   
a) provision of terminal blocks in the common control section of the electrical assembly (see F3.3.9) to interface the pumping station and each pump unit with a telemetry outstation provided by the water company;

b) provision of an integrated controller, providing the functions described in F3.3.9, which shall provide signals in accordance with the WITS-DNP3 Protocol.

F4 VALVE SPECIFICATION

F4.1 Gate (Sluice) valves

1. Gate valves shall comply with BS EN 1171 and incorporate non-rising valve spindles. The inlet and outlet connections of the valves shall terminate with flange type PN16 (minimum), as detailed in BS EN 1092-2.

2. Valves shall be provided with extension spindles, headstocks and support brackets. Spindles shall extend to approximately 50 mm below the underside of the access cover so that valves can be opened/closed from above ground using "T" keys, which shall be supplied by the developer.

3. Gate valves shall be designed to close when handwheels/"T" keys are rotated in a clockwise direction.

F4.2 Check (Reflux) Valves

1. Check valves shall comply with BS EN 16767 and be of the swing type, fitted with external lever arms and counterweights. The inlet and outlet connections of the valves shall terminate with flange type PN16 (minimum), as detailed in BS EN 1092-2. All lever arm/counterweight assemblies shall be guarded.

2. Check valves shall be designed and sized to close rapidly without shock and have good seating properties.

3. Check valves shall be non-clogging. The valve design shall ensure that, when the valve disc is in the fully-open position, the size and direction of the flow path is equivalent to that of the surrounding pipework. The valve internals (seats, discs, hinges, etc.) shall be arranged so that there are no projections that could interfere with the passage of solids, rags and fibrous materials.

4. Check valves shall be provided with removable covers, sized to allow adequate access to the valve internals (seats, discs, hinges, etc.). Covers shall be tapped (½ inch BSP) and plugged.

F4.3 Maintenance/operation Issues

1. All equipment within the valve chamber shall be arranged/positioned to allow adequate access for maintenance. Particular attention shall be paid to the following:
a) the clearance around check valves, to enable removal of the disc hinge pins;
b) the clearance between the invert of the valve chamber pipework and the valve chamber finished floor level (minimum of 300 mm); and
c) the clearance between flanged connections and surrounding equipment/structures (minimum of 300 mm).

2. Flange adapters shall be provided, where appropriate, to facilitate valve removal and replacement. These shall be tied to the flanges of adjacent pipework to prevent movement of the joint during operation.

**F4.4 Miscellaneous**

1. Half-inch BSP tappings, suitable for the attachment of pressure gauges, shall be made in the pipework immediately before and after all check valve/gate valve combinations. All tappings shall be plugged.

2. The pipework between the wet well and valve chamber shall be fitted with flexible pipe couplings to accommodate differential movement between the two structures.
APPENDICES
APPENDIX I – TYPICAL CONTENTS OF THE
CDM HEALTH AND SAFETY FILE

A5 draws the developer’s attention to the requirements of the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/51), including the requirement under Regulation 12 for the principal designer to prepare a health and safety file and provide a copy to the client. A copy of this file should also be supplied to the water company at the times specified in the procedural guidance (published separately) to ensure future maintenance and operational activities can be carried out safely.

Typically, the relevant information to be supplied to the water company for sewers to be adopted would include the following information (this is not exhaustive). The contents should be submitted electronically as a single document, with copies of the as-built drawings submitted separately.

1. A copy of the as-built drainage layout drawing with:
   a) symbols and colouring in accordance with Appendix VII;
   b) North arrow and OS grid reference shown, two street names for reference;
   c) paper size and scale to be confirmed;
   d) manhole types and chamber sizes, shown;
   e) manhole cover and invert levels shown to ordnance datum;
   f) pipe lengths to be labelled with the diameter, direction of flow, material and gradient;
   g) any pipework with concrete protection should be identified with the pipes labelled; and
   h) flow controls to be labelled with pass forward flow, design head, orifice size and specification.

As-built drawings should be prepared by surveying the completed works.

2. Details confirming the specification of any installed flow control (including delivery note/correspondence from manufacturer to confirm installation of the specific product).

3. Information on any deep manhole construction (over 6 m in depth or where an intermediate landing has been installed).

4. Information on any technically-accepted non-standard construction details (an example would include a design where sewers have been laid on a pile beam solution to deal with settlement).

5. Service plans for water, gas, electricity and telecommunication.

6. Ground condition information in instances where hazards have not been eliminated in the design and construction processes, explaining how they have been addressed (for example, if there is the presence of contaminated land, asbestos etc.).

7. For sites with adoptable open SuDS:
   a) as-built drawing of any open SuDS system (in plan);
b) a copy of the maintenance plan and maintenance schedule drawing;
c) copies of the maintenance records in accordance with the accepted maintenance plan; and
d) a copy of the health and safety risk assessment.

8. For sites with attenuation storage tanks:

a) confirmation of the specification of the installed storage tank – information to be provided as follows:
   i) specification of pipework (including manufacturer information) to confirm compliance with required standards and the design accepted by the water company; and
   ii) pipe construction details including trench details, jointing details, etc;

b) in addition, for sites with geocellular tank systems, confirmation of the specification of the installed product (delivery note or correspondence from manufacturer to confirm installation of the specific product).

9. For sites discharging to watercourse:

a) written correspondence from the Environment Agency, Natural Resources Wales, local authority and any other relevant authority to confirm that they have no issues with any outfall to watercourse should be provided; and

b) a copy of the consent to construct the outfall.

10. For sites with pumping stations:

a) general arrangement drawings of the pumping station and the pumping station compound;
b) details of the mechanical and electrical equipment;
c) a copy of the O&M manual is required, in accordance with the requirements of Part F;
d) valid and current NICEIC completion and test certificates;
e) valid and current Davit arm test certificate;
f) valid chain lifting certificates; and
g) a hazardous area classification drawing.

In accordance with the Construction Design and Management Regulations 2015, the developer should retain a copy of the CDM health and safety file.
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APPENDIX VII - STANDARD SYMBOLS FOR USE ON THE DRAWINGS

(Consistent with NWC/DoE Standing Technical Committee on Sewers and Water Mains, Report No. 25 Sewer and Water Main Records)

150 mm 1/83
- - - - - - - - FW Sewer
Pipe diameter and gradient

225 mm 1/156
- - - - - - - - SW Sewer
Pipe diameter and gradient

300 mm 1/150
- - - - - - - - Combined Sewer
Pipe diameter and gradient

\[ \text{F1}(22.23) \]
- - - - - - - - Adoptable Foul Manhole
Reference and invert level

\[ \text{S1}(23.67) \]
- - - - - - - - Adoptable Surface Water Manhole
Reference and invert level

\[ \text{C1}(21.56) \]
- - - - - - - - Adoptable Combined Manhole
Reference and invert level

\[ (22.0) \]
- - - - - - - - Backdrop Manhole
Reference and invert level

\[ (19.65) \]
- - - - - - - - Pumping Station with invert level of inlet

100 mm
- - - - - - - - Rising Main - Foul
Diameter of pipe and direction of flow

150 mm
- - - - - - - - Rising Main - Surface Water
Diameter of pipe and direction of flow

150 mm
- - - - - - - - Rising Main - Combined
Diameter of pipe and direction of flow

\- - - - - - - - Air Release Valve
Use of colour
If it is required to use colour to enhance the presentation of the Drawings the following colours shall be used:
Foul - Brown
Surface Water - Dark Blue
Combined - Red
Water courses - Light Blue
Building over/basements - Orange
Property not connected - Yellow

\- - - - - - - - Hatch Box

\- - - - - - - - Emptying Valve
For lateral drains the same symbols and colours shall be used but with a finer line.