

## **Report to the Department for Communities and Local Government (DCLG) with regards to Norfolk County Council's Role as Statutory Consultee for Surface Water**

In compliance with Section 54(4) of The Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 this is a report with regards to Norfolk County Council as Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) for Norfolk in respect of its statutory consultee role in responding to consultations for "major development with surface water drainage" relating to the period commencing on the 1st April 2022 and ending on 31 March 2023 and is as follows:

### **(a) a statement as to the number of occasions on which the consultee was consulted by a person other than a local planning authority;**

Norfolk County Council as Lead Local Flood Authority was consulted on **229** occasions by a person other than a local planning authority.

### **(b) a statement as to the number of occasions on which a substantive response was given to a person other than a local planning authority within the period referred to in section 54(4) of the 2004 Act;**

Norfolk County Council as Lead Local Flood Authority provided a substantive response on **157** occasions to a person other than a local planning authority.

### **(c) a statement as to the number of occasions on which the consultee was consulted by a local planning authority;**

Norfolk County Council as Lead Local Flood Authority was consulted on **760** occasions by the local planning authority

### **(d) a statement as to the number of occasions on which a substantive response was given to a local planning authority within the period referred to in section 54(4) of the 2004 Act; and**

Norfolk County Council as Lead Local Flood Authority provided a substantive response on **701** occasions to the Local Planning Authority and **691** of these responses were within the agreed timescale.

### **(e) in relation to occasions on which the consultee has given a substantive response outside the period referred to in section 54(4) of the 2004 Act, a summary of the reasons why the consultee failed to comply with the duty to respond within that period:**

Insufficient capacity to meet the demand, awaiting further information from developer or complex proposal requiring additional officer time. In the vast majority of cases, an extension of time was agreed with the LPA.