

## On behalf of The South Lincolnshire Water Partnership

To whom it may concern

Please note the following representation from The South Lincolnshire Water Partnership in respect of the strategic regional water resource solution South Lincolnshire Reservoir.

As is set out in the Anglian Water and Affinity Water, South Lincolnshire Reservoir (SLR) Gate 1 submission, the South Lincolnshire Water Partnership (SLWP) have played an important role in working with the water companies as they develop the SLR strategic resource option. We are keen to play our part in helping to secure water resources for different sectors and improving flood resilience. Please take into account the following comments as you set the direction for the water companies in the coming months and years as they continue to develop options:

- **SLWP is committed** to work with Anglian Water & Affinity Water through the gated process.
- **Please don't rush:** as a partnership we recognise an opportunity to join up a number of water management activities in order to deliver great outcomes for people, the community, business and the environment. We were beginning to join things up before the RAPID process was established, but now the opportunities to deliver multi-sector benefits seem even clearer. We appreciate the need for pace in the development of the option to hit the gates, but please don't unnecessarily rush the water companies.
- **Advice from RAPID?** we have worked through a number of challenges as a partnership as the SLR option develops. Our collaborative way of working is proving to be a success. Do RAPID have any advice or recommendations as to how we maintain our own local alliance whilst acknowledging the need for partners to fulfill our individual roles and responsibilities? The SLWP see that this will become increasingly important as public consultations start, decisions are made and permissions are applied for.

In the near future, representatives from RAPID would be very welcome to join us in one of our monthly South Lincolnshire Water Partnership meetings.

Yours sincerely

 (Chair of SLWP)

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