

## Variation of Independent Water Networks Limited's appointment to include Alderley Road, Wilmslow, Cheshire

On 31 October 2022, Ofwat began a [consultation](#) on a proposal to vary Independent Water Networks Limited's ("**Independent Water Networks**") appointment to become the water and sewerage services provider for a development in United Utilities Water Limited's ("**United Utilities**") water supply area and sewerage services area called Alderley Road, Wilmslow, Cheshire ("**the Site**"). Details of the application and our assessment of it were set out in the consultation document.

The consultation ended on 28 November 2022. During the consultation period, we received a representation from the Environment Agency, who stated it did not have any further comments or objections to raise regarding this application.

We will only make an appointment or variation if our assessment concludes that the application meets the criterion it has been made under; that customers or future customers on the site will be no worse off than if the site had been served by the existing appointee; and if the applicant will be able to finance the proper carrying out of its functions as a water and/or sewerage company. As set out in our consultation we are satisfied this is the case. The response we received to the consultation has not changed that view.

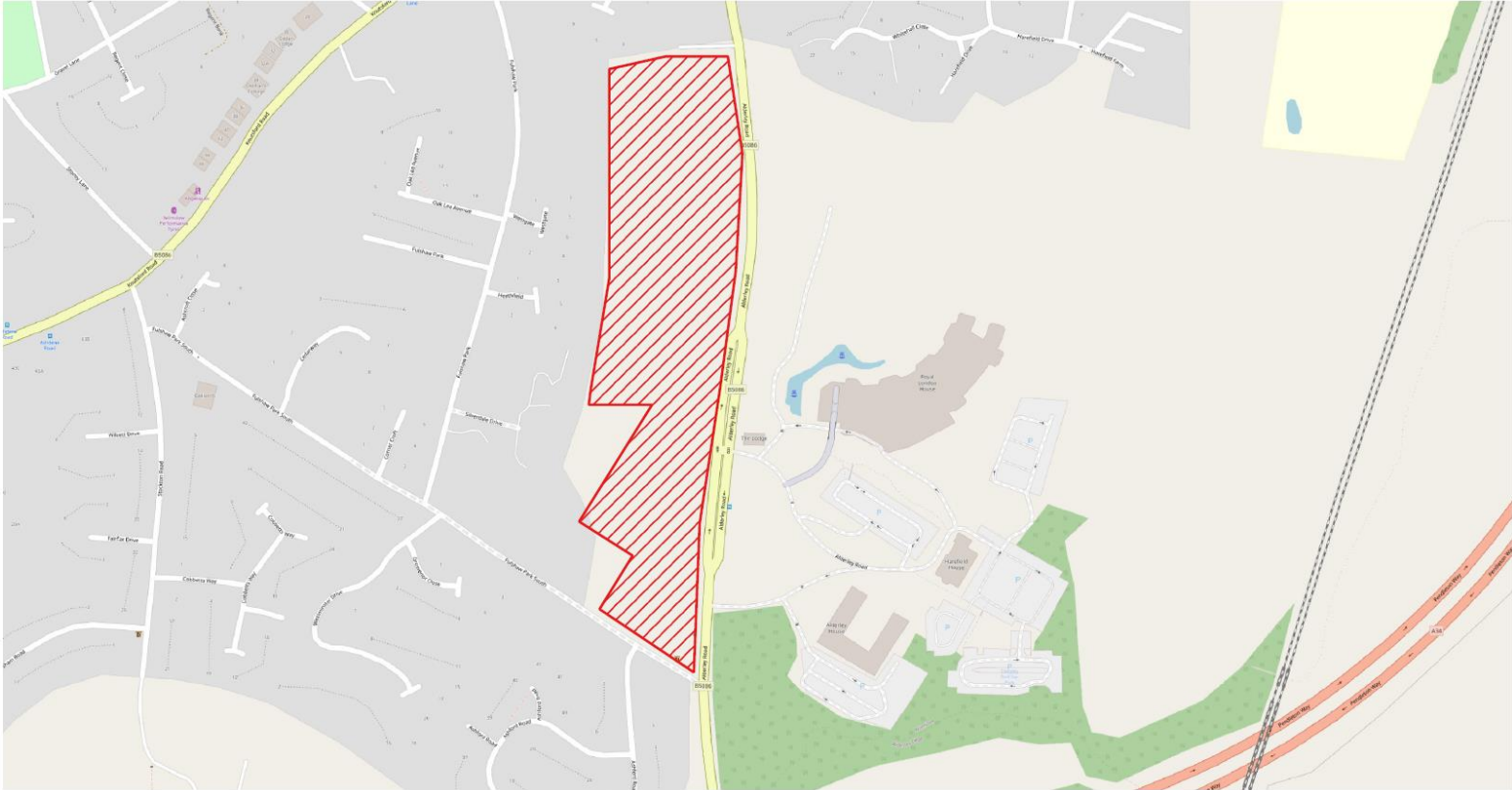
Having assessed Independent Water Networks' application and having taken account of the response we received to our consultation, we decided to grant a variation to Independent Water Networks' area of appointment to allow it to serve the Site for water and sewerage services. This appointment became effective on 20 June 2023.

The Site maps for the variation can be found in Section 1 of this document.

The Variation Notice legally making the variation can be found in Section 2 of this document.

# 1. Site Maps

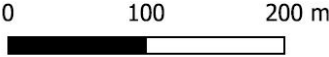
## Water



PLAN REFERRED TO IN THE VARIATION OF THE APPOINTMENTS OF INDEPENDENT WATER NETWORKS LIMITED AND UNITED UTILITIES WATER LIMITED, AS WATER UNDERTAKERS, MADE BY THE WATER SERVICES REGULATION AUTHORITY ON ... 19 June 2023

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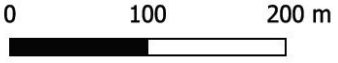
**ALDERLEY ROAD**  
**INSET WATER MAP 1**

**Sewerage**



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**ALDERLEY ROAD**  
**INSET SEWERAGE MAP 1**

## 2. Variation Notice

**WATER SERVICES REGULATION AUTHORITY**  
**WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1991, SECTIONS 6 TO 9**

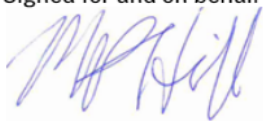
**Variation of the Appointments of Independent Water Networks Limited and United Utilities Water Limited, as Water and Sewerage Undertakers**

Made on 19 June 2023

Coming into effect on 20 June 2023

1. Independent Water Networks Limited ("Independent Water Networks") and United Utilities Water Limited ("United Utilities") hold Appointments as water and sewerage undertakers for their respective areas ("the Appointments").<sup>1</sup> The areas to which the Appointments of Independent Water Networks and United Utilities as water and sewerage undertakers relate ("Water Supply Area" and "Sewerage Services Area") are set out in their Instruments of Appointment.
2. The site called Alderley Road, Wilmslow, Cheshire, which is shown edged in red on the plan attached to this variation, ("the Site") is within United Utilities Water Supply Area and Sewerage Services Area. The Site is being developed by Story Homes Limited.
3. Independent Water Networks has applied under section 7(4)b of the Water Industry Act 1991 ("the Act") for a variation of its Appointment as a water and sewerage undertaker to include the Site and for a consequential variation of United Utilities' Appointments to exclude the Site.
4. On 27 June 1995, the Secretary of State for the Environment and the Secretary of State for Wales acting jointly and pursuant to sections 6(1) and 7(2) of the Act authorised the Director General of Water Services<sup>2</sup> to make variations such as those contained in paragraph 5 below. After public consultation, as required by section 8 of the Act, the Water Services Regulation Authority has decided that it should grant Independent Water Networks' application.
5. Therefore, as provided by sections 7(2) and 7(4)(b) of the Act, and with the agreement of Story Homes Limited, the Water Services Regulation Authority **varies**–
  - (a) the Appointment of Independent Water Networks as a water and sewerage undertaker so that the Site is included in Independent Water Networks' Water Supply Area and Sewerage Services Area; and
  - (b) the Appointment of United Utilities as a water and sewerage undertaker so that the Site is excluded from United Utilities' Water Supply Area and Sewerage Services Area.

Signed for and on behalf of the Water Services Regulation Authority



**Martin Hill**  
Principal, Casework and Enforcement