Variation of Icosa Water Services Limited's appointment to include The Quarters, Quedgeley

On 4 April 2023, Ofwat began a <u>consultation</u> on a proposal to vary Icosa Water Services Limited's ("Icosa Water") appointment to become the sewerage services provider for a development in Severn Trent Water Limited's ("Severn Trent Water") sewerage services area called The Quarters, Quedgeley in Gloucestershire ("the Site"). Details of the application and our assessment of it were set out in the consultation document.

The consultation ended on 8 May 2023. We received no responses during the consultation period.

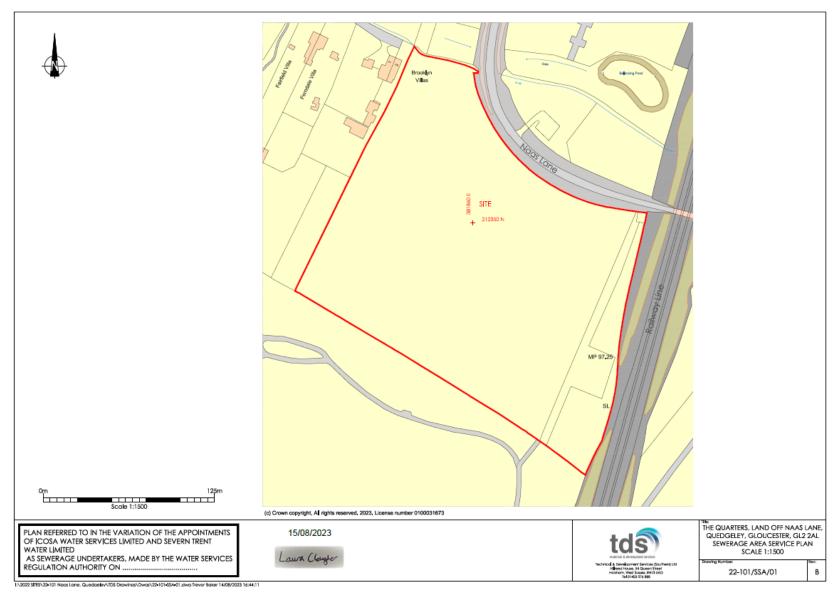
We will only make an appointment or variation if our assessment concludes that the application meets the criterion it has been made under; that customers or future customers on the site will be no worse off than if the site had been served by the existing appointee; and if the applicant will be able 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.

Having assessed Icosa Water's application and having received no responses to our consultation, we decided to grant a variation to Icosa Water's area of appointment to allow it to serve the Site for sewerage services. This appointment became effective on 16 August 2023.

The Site map for the variation can be found in Section 1 of this document. We granted an application for water services for the same Site area in May 2022. The decision document for water services can be found here.

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

1. Site Map



2. Variation Notice

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

Variation of the Appointments of Icosa Water Services Limited and Severn Trent Water Limited as Sewerage Undertakers

Made on 15 August 2023

Coming into effect on 16 August 2023

- Icosa Water Services Limited ("Icosa Water") and Severn Trent Water Limited ("Severn Trent Water") hold Appointments as sewerage undertakers for their respective areas ("the Appointments").¹ The areas to which the Appointments of Icosa Water and Severn Trent Water as sewerage undertakers relate ("Sewerage Services Area") are set out in their Instruments of Appointment.
- The site called The Quarters, Land off Naas Lane, Quedgeley in Gloucestershire which
 is shown edged in red on the plan attached to this variation ("the Site") is within
 Severn Trent Water's Sewerage Services Area. The Site is being developed by Taylor
 Wimpey UK Limited.
- Icosa Water has applied under section 7(4)(b) of the Water Industry Act 1991 ("the Act") for a variation of its Appointment as a sewerage undertaker to include the Site and for a consequential variation of Severn Trent Water's Appointment 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 Services² 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 Icosa Water's application.
- Therefore, as provided by sections 7(2) and 7(4)(b) of the Act, and with the agreement of Taylor Wimpey UK Limited the Water Services Regulation Authority varies—

¹ Severn Trent Water's original Appointment as a sewerage undertaker was made by the Secretary of State for the Environment under sections 11 and 14 of the Water Act 1989, now replaced by sections 6 and 11 of the Water Industry Act 1991. Icosa Water's original Appointment was made by the Water Services Regulation Authority under sections 6 and 11 of the Water Industry Act 1991.

 $^{^2}$ With effect from 1 April 2006 the functions of the Director General of Water Services were transferred to the Water Services Regulation Authority in accordance with section 36 of, and Schedule 3 to, the Water Act 2003.

- (a) the Appointment of Icosa Water as a sewerage undertaker so that the Site is included in Icosa Water's Sewerage Services Area; and
- (b) the Appointment of Severn Trent Water as a sewerage undertaker so that the Site is excluded from Severn Trent Water's Sewerage Services Area.

Signed for and on behalf of the Water Services Regulation Authority

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