

Variation of Icosa Water Services Limited's appointment to include The Uplands, Nailsea, North Somerset

On 25 January 2024, Ofwat began a [consultation on](#) a proposal to vary Icosa Water Services Limited's ("**Icosa Water**") appointment to become the water services provider for a development in South West Water Limited's ("**South West Water**") water supply area called The Uplands, Nailsea, North Somerset ("**the Site**"). Details of the application and our assessment of it were set out in the consultation document.

The consultation ended on 21 February 2024. During the consultation period, we received representations from South West Water. South West Water raised no objections to our consultation and noted that it had no objections to the variation being granted.

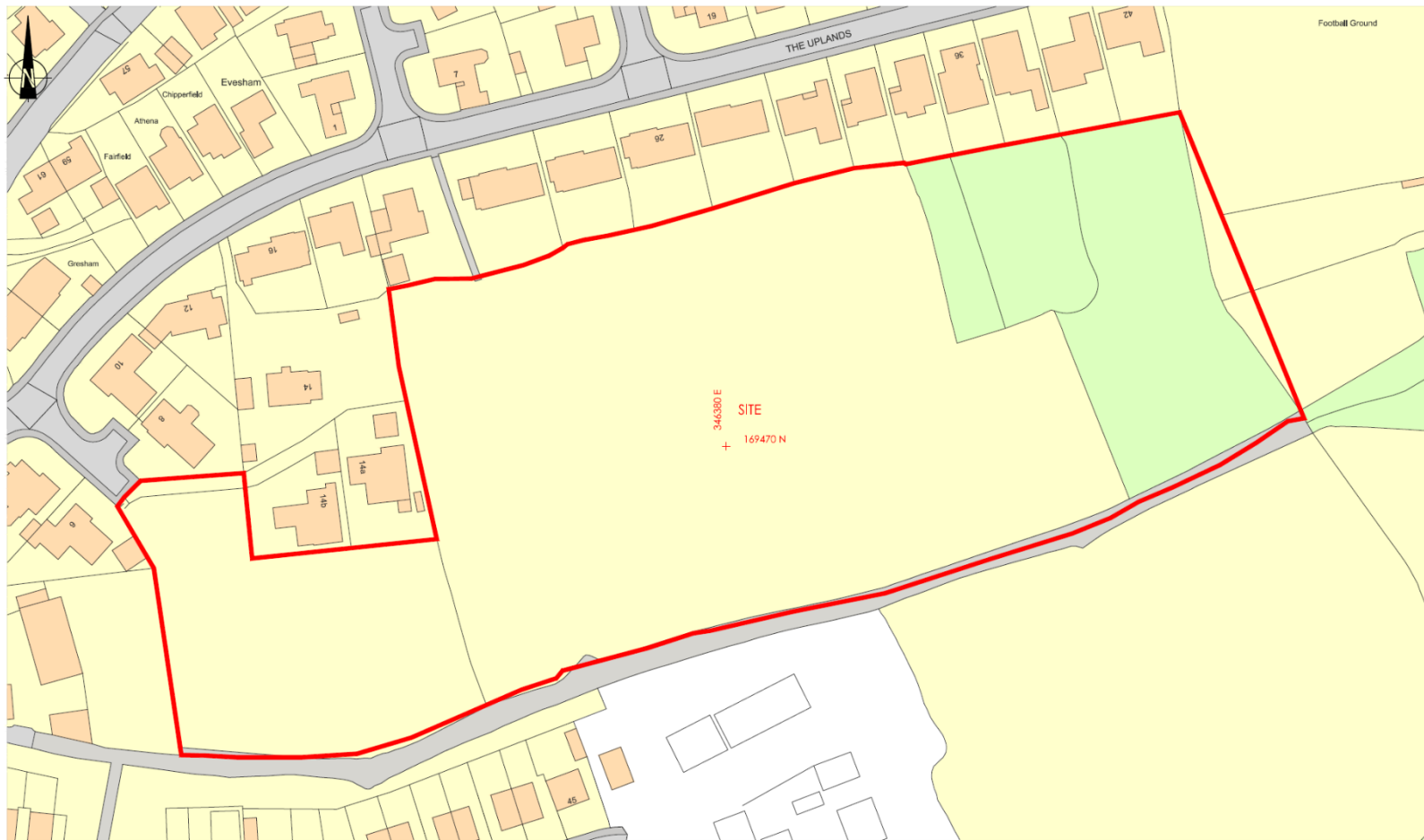
We will only make an appointment or variation if our assessment concludes that the application meets the criterion it has been made under; that customers or future customers on the site will be no worse off than if the site had been served by the existing appointee; and if the applicant will be able 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 responses we have received to the consultation have not changed that view.

Having assessed Icosa Water's application and having taken account of the responses we received to our consultation, we decided to grant a variation to Icosa Water's area of appointment to allow it to serve the Site for water services. This appointment became effective on 20 March 2024.

The Site map 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 Map



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 Scale 1:1000

PLAN REFERRED TO IN THE VARIATION OF THE APPOINTMENTS OF ICOSA WATER SERVICES LIMITED AND SOUTH WEST WATER LIMITED, AS WATER UNDERTAKERS, MADE BY THE WATER SERVICES REGULATION AUTHORITY ON

19 March 2024



THE UPLANDS, NAILSEA, NORTH SOMERSET, BS48 4NJ
 WATER SERVICE AREA PLAN
 SCALE 1:1000
 Drawing Number: 23-125/WSA/01
 Rev: B

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 South West Water Limited as Water Undertakers

Made on 19 March 2024

Coming into effect on 20 March 2024

1. Icosa Water Services Limited ("Icosa Water") and South West Water Limited ("South West Water") hold Appointments as water undertakers for their respective areas ("the Appointments").¹ The areas to which the Appointments of Icosa Water and South West Water as water undertakers relate ("Water Supply Area") are set out in their Instruments of Appointment.
2. The site called The Uplands, in Nailsea, North Somerset, which is shown edged in red on the plan attached to this variation, ("the Site") is within South West Water's Water Supply Area. The Site is being developed by Stonewood Homes Limited.
3. 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 water undertaker to include the Site and for a consequential variation of South West 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.
5. Therefore, as provided by sections 7(2) and 7(4)(b) of the Act, and with the agreement of Stonewood Homes Limited, the Water Services Regulation Authority varies—

(a) the Appointment of Icosa Water as a water undertaker so that the Site is included in Icosa Water's Water Supply Area; and

¹ South West Water's original Appointment as a water 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 as a water undertaker 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 2005 the functions of the Director General of Water Services were transferred to the Water Services Regulation Authority in accordance with section 35 of, and Schedule 3 to, the Water Act 2003.

(b) the Appointment of South West Water as a water undertaker so that the Site is excluded from South West Water's Water Supply Area.

Signed for and on behalf of the Water Services Regulation Authority



Martin Hill
Principal, Casework and Enforcement