

## Merthyr Tydfil Replacement Local Development Plan (2016-2031)

### EXAMINATION MATTERS, ISSUES AND QUESTIONS

#### Representor ID Number 116 (HBF)

#### MATTER 4: STRATEGIC AND HOUSING SITE ALLOCATIONS

##### 4.1. Housing allocations – general (policy SW3 and Appendix 1)

**b. Appendix 1 states that for allocations typically over 100 dwellings “hydraulic modelling assessments...will be required”. Is this justified, and/or should it be expressed as a policy requirement?**

The HBF suggests that the requirement for Hydraulic model should be assessed on a site by site basis. Such modelling is a requirement of Welsh Water who own the sewerage system and the HBF is not aware of any size-based criteria which Welsh Water use to determine if modelling is required. Any such requirement would be raised by Welsh Water who own and manage the drainage system subject to the modelling, currently this work often takes place in advance of the planning application being submitted to enable details of an acceptable drainage solution to be submitted as part of the planning application. The requirement should not be and does not need to be a policy requirement in the plan as it is covered by other legislation. Also, any new development would now include SuDS to deal with surface water flows and therefore the considerations of the acceptability of the surface water scheme would be dealt with under by the SAB application and is therefore covered by separate legislation.

