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Action Point

Council to amend paragraph 6.5.59 of the LDP to clarify that SuDS features could contribute to on-site provision of public open space.

Council's Response

This statement has been prepared by the Council in response to actions that arose at Hearing Session 2 regarding the provision of open space required as part of new development under policy SW9: Planning Obligations. Changes have been proposed to the reasoned justification to clarify that Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) features could contribute towards the provision of public open space, as indicated in the Council's Sustainable Drainage background paper (ED009). The changes below will be included in the Council's Matters Arising Changes Schedule.

Matters Arising Change

6.5.59 With regard to planning obligations being sought for the provision of improvements of open space, together with appropriate maintenance contributions, these will include the creation of new onsite facilities where there is a quantitative or qualitative deficiency in open space provision in the area. The precise nature of new provision will be identified at planning application stage in accordance with standards included in the **most up to date** Open Space Strategy. **Sustainable Drainage features could, where practicable, contribute towards the provision of open space.**