

Statement of exclusions

In accordance with section 37(B)(8) of the Water Industry Act 1991, or 'the Act' (as amended by the Water Act 2003) and additional guidance, this statement sets out the exclusions in relation to the publication of Southern Water's Water Resources Management Plan 2019 (WRMP19).

Commercially confidential

Under section 37(B)(10) of 'the Act', a water resources management plan must exclude any information that is determined to be commercially confidential. To comply with this our submission does not disclose any information that would be considered commercially confidential except option cost information in the Water Resources Planning tables. We plan to publish the tables once we have ensured that they are compliant with SEMD requirements and we have removed any commercially confidential information where necessary.

National security

Under section 37(B)(10) of 'the Act', a water resources management plan must exclude sensitive information on the grounds that its publication would be contrary to the interests of national security.

Our WRMP19 has been written to comply with Defra's security guidance and, as a result, the following sections of the WRMP19 are restricted and can only be viewed in person at our head office in Worthing:

- Annex 1 Appendix A
- Annex 3 Appendix D
- Annex 6 Appendix A
- Annex 8 Appendix A
- Annex 14 SEA Appendices D and G
- Annex 15 HRA Appendices A to I

To view restricted sections at our head office (address below) please arrange via e-mail to wrmp@southernwater.co.uk allowing five working days' notice:

Southern House, Yeoman Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN13 3NX

To verify compliance against the security guidance an independent audit was carried out by Atkins Limited in December 2019 as commissioned by Southern Water. Atkins Limited provided an appropriately trained, security cleared professional to carry out the formal document review of the WRMP19 in line with the Defra



guidance note relating to their publication. As part of the audit process Atkins Limited identified, redacted or modified text either because it contained location specific information or information which would have provided a detailed understanding of the operation of site-specific water supply installations.

Atkins Limited has provided confirmation of the security check on the WRMP19.

Confirmation of compliance

In accordance with guidance I can confirm that our WRMP19 has been reviewed and does not contain any security sensitive information or any commercially confidential information.

