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The Local Development Document has been reviewed and I enclose the Environment Agency's comments on:  
Supplementary Planning Document  
Selby District Council  
Supplementary Planning Document

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Dear Sir/Madam

## **DRAFT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT OLYMPIA PARK**

Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency with regards to the above draft supplementary planning document.

### **Flood Risk**

We are satisfied with the content of the SPD. Previously, the content of paras. 4.9.5 and 4.10.5 were of concern, but have now been amended to provide necessary safeguards for continued protection from flood risk.

### **Groundwater & Contaminated Land**

The Environment Agency welcomes the Council's proposal to regenerate the district by including redevelopment of brownfield land. We consider this a sustainable approach that will ensure that groundwater and surface water in the district are protected and improved. However there seems to be a lack of emphasis on issues relating to groundwater and contaminated land with the draft SPD. Land contamination has been identified in parts of this site. We would advise that the following is incorporated within the SPD to adequately address concerns relating to groundwater and contaminated land:

We would like to recommend inclusion of the following text in the SPD:  
'Protect and improve the environment (air, land and water)' giving particular attention to dealing with the historical legacy of land contamination. We would like to take this opportunity to highlight a key Environment Agency publication relating to protection of controlled waters and the wider environment.

Groundwater Protection: Policy and Practice (GP3) Part 1-5 (Revisions to Parts 4 and 5 are currently being finalised) This document sets out key principles and priorities which support sustainable development, highlights best practice, and supports achievement of this objective.

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