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PART A: BIODIVERSITY PERFORMANCE COMMITMENT: NOMINATED LAND

A. Introduction

As part of our Long-Term Delivery Strategy (LTDS) and PR24 business plan we intend to nominate four discrete sites (all owned by SES Water) into the Biodiversity performance commitment. These four sites together comprise over 80% of our land holding and play key parts in the local community and environment

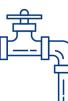
B. The sites

Bough Beech and Chiddingstone

- 1. Bough Beech (217 ha) and Chiddingstone (11.81 ha) are in Edenbridge. They are situated within a kilometre of each other and a plan is provided as part of this appendix.
- 2. Both sites edge into the High Weald and Kent Downs AONB and are in close proximity to Polebrook Farm SSSI.
- 3. In addition, Bough Beech is a registered Local Wildlife site, and houses a nature reserve in the northern part of the site. There are parcels of Ancient and Semi-Natural Woodland in and adjacent to the reservoir site.
- 4. Bough Beech hosts several tenants and user groups, whom we work closely to curate and care for the site, including:
 - Long term agricultural and outdoor pursuits enterprises, supporting the local economy and management of the land holding, and
 - Volunteer organisations, which focus on the nature and historical landscape areas and support restorative land management.
- 5. For legal restrictions, Chiddingstone is not open to the public.

Fetcham Springs and Elmer Water Treatment Works

- 6. Fetcham (20.96) and Elmer (10.7 ha) are near Leatherhead, Surrey. The two sites are in close proximity of each other and a plan is provided as part of this appendix.
- 7. Fetcham is bordered at the north by the River Mole, which is named as a key habitat in Surrey Nature Partnership's local strategy. Our Elmer WTW is bordered at the west by the Hawk's Hill SNCI, and there are several Local Nature Reserves close to both sites.
- 8. In addition to statutory and non-statutory designations near these sites, Fetcham Springs is well-loved within the local community, and the footpaths through the site provide access to residents to enjoy the biodiversity and traverse between Leatherhead and Fetcham.
- 9. Due to our operations at Elmer WTW, it is not accessible to the public.





PART B: BIODIVERSITY BASELINE CALCULATIONS

A. Introduction

For our PC nominated land, a baseline value – comprising of habitat, hedgerow and watercourse units – is required. The Biodiversity Metric 4.0 Calculation tool has been used and input data was collated from a combination of desk- and field- studies into the ecology of the sites, carried out between 2019 and 2023.

B. Surveys used in calculations

- 10. Bough Beech surveys used:
 - Bough Beech South PEA Report, Surrey Wildlife Trust, 2021
 - Bough Beech North PEA Report, Surrey Wildlife Trust, 2021
- 11. Chiddingstone surveys used:
 - Chiddingstone River Intake Biodiversity Report, Atkins, 2021
- 12. Elmer WTW surveys used:
 - Extrapolation from data at Fetcham Springs
 - Incoming, updated survey due November 2023 with condition assessment completed for the site under Biodiversity Metric 4.0
- 13. Fetcham Springs surveys used:
 - Fetcham Springs PEA Report, Surrey Wildlife Trust, 2021
 - Fetcham Pumping Station and Springs Biodiversity Report, Atkins, 2021
 - Grassland and Wetland Condition Assessment 2022, Surrey Wildlife Trust, 2022
- 14. The following tables set out our assessments of the baseline values, and have indicated our confidence in the following components:
 - The condition using third party survey information, and
 - Strategic significance, from Local Policy information and material.



C. Fetcham Springs

A-1 - On-site habitat baseline

Table 1: Fetcham Springs justification of baseline values – A-1

| Habitat | Area / ha | Condition | Strategic Significance | Confidence Level |
|---|---|--|---|---|
| Grassland – Other neutral grassland | 14.48 - Atkins Biodiversity | POOR – Grassland Conditions Assessment CG 2022, under Metric 3.1. | MEDIUM – sits within 'River' area as defined in Appendix 9: River Biodiversity Opportunity Area Policy | Condition Assessment: AMBER. Taken from 3 rd party survey. |
| SNG1 | Survey Site Report Nov 2021 | Grassland was assessed as MODERATE under Metric 2.0 in November 2021, and then re-assessed under 3.1 in September 2022 and deemed as POOR. We do not expect that the grassland's condition has deteriorated in this time, but that the Conditions Assessment for Grassland under 3.1 is much stricter. | Statements by Surrey Nature Partnership. Has connectivity to woodland and watercourses within the site. | Strategic significance: GREEN. Taken from local policy documents. |
| SNG2 | | POOR – Grassland Conditions Assessment CG 2022, under Metric 3.0 | | |
| SNG3 | | POOR – Grassland Conditions Assessment CG 2022, under Metric 3.0 | | |
| SNG4,5,6,7 | | POOR – extrapolated from above^ | | |
| Woodland and forest – Wet | 1.4 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov | GOOD – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov 2021 under Metric 2.0 | HIGH – identified in Appendix 9: River Biodiversity Opportunity Area Policy Statements by Surrey Nature Partnership. | Condition Assessment: AMBER . Taken from 3 rd party survey. |
| woodland | 2021 | | r aruncionip. | Strategic significance: GREEN. Taken from local policy documents. |



| Woodland and forest – Other woodland; broadleaved | 1.41 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov 2021 | GOOD – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov 2021 under Metric 2.0 | MEDIUM – sits within 'River' area as defined in Appendix 9: River Biodiversity Opportunity Area Policy Statements by Surrey Nature Partnership. Has connectivity to woodland and watercourses within the site. | Condition Assessment: AMBER. Taken from 3 rd party survey. Strategic significance: GREEN. Taken from local policy documents. |
|---|--|---|--|--|
| Wetland – Reedbeds | 0.25 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov 2021 | GOOD – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov 2021 under Metric 2.0 | HIGH– identified in Appendix 9: River Biodiversity Opportunity Area Policy Statements by Surrey Nature Partnership. | Condition Assessment: GREEN. Taken from 3 rd party survey. Strategic significance: GREEN. Taken from local policy documents. |
| Heathland and shrub – Mixed scrub DS1, DS2 | 0.96 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov 2021 | MODERATE – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov 2021 under Metric 2.0 | MEDIUM – sits within 'River' area as defined in Appendix 9: River Biodiversity Opportunity Area Policy Statements by Surrey Nature Partnership. Has connectivity to woodland and watercourses within the site. | Condition Assessment: GREEN. Taken from 3 rd party survey. Strategic significance: GREEN. Taken from local policy documents. |
| Urban – Developed land; sealed surface | 0.53 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov 2021 | N/A – V. Low distinctiveness does not require condition ass. | LOW | Condition Assessment: GREEN. Taken from 3 rd party survey. Strategic significance: GREEN. Taken from local policy documents. |
| Lakes – Ponds (priority habitat) | 1.48 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov 2021 | MODERATE – based on PEA and Biodiversity Summary and Recommendations – passes 6-8 conditions, meeting the requirements for 'Moderate'. Note: Pond can never reach 'GOOD' condition due to artificial management and connectivity | HIGH – identified in Appendix 9: River Biodiversity Opportunity Area Policy Statements by Surrey Nature Partnership. | Condition Assessment: GREEN. Taken from 3 rd party survey. Strategic significance: GREEN. Taken from local policy documents. |

Source: SES Water, Atkins Realis, Surrey Wildlife Trust



B-1 – On-site hedgerow baseline

Table 2: Fetcham Springs justification of baseline values - B-1

| Habitat | Length / km | Condition | Strategic Significance | Confidence Level |
|------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| Species-rich native hedgerow | 0.15 (Measured through Magic Map as no metrics provided) | MODERATE – No conditions assessment provided. Carried out via Magic Maps, Google maps, and PEA | MEDIUM – HPI but not specifically mentioned in Surrey BAP | Condition: AMBER. Deduced from 3 rd party survey. Good information to support. |
| | | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document. |

Source: SES Water, Atkins Realis, Surrey Wildlife Trust, Magic Maps

C-1 - On-site watercourse baseline

Table 3: Fetcham Springs justification of baseline values - C-1

| Habitat | Length / km | Condition | Strategic Significance | Confidence Level |
|--------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Other rivers and streams | 0.4 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov 2021 | MODERATE - Assessed under RCA and so unaffected by changes between 2.0 and 4.0 Metrics Assumed NO ENCROACHMENT as none described in report. | HIGH – identified in Appendix 9: River Biodiversity Opportunity Area Policy Statements by Surrey Nature Partnership. | Condition: AMBER. Deduced from 3 rd party survey. Level of encroachment not recorded. Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document. |

Source: SES Water, Atkins Realis, Surrey Wildlife Trust



Baseline Biodiversity units at Fetcham

Table 2 Biodiversity Baseline Units at Fetcham

| Biodiversity | BU |
|----------------|--------|
| Habitat | 145.35 |
| Hedgerows | 1.32 |
| Watercourses | 5.52 |
| Total | 152.19 |
| Site area / ha | 20.96 |

Source: SES Water

D. Bough Beech Estate

- 15. Due to the size of the estate, it was previously surveyed in two sections: the southern part, encompassing the treatment works, sailing club and angling club. The northern survey contained the northern portion of the site but excluded land to the east of the causeway.
- 16. Bough Beech South PEA surveyed a total area of 79.70 ha, where the northern portion was 18 ha. Together, these combine to give 97.70 ha.
- 17. The entire land area at Bough Beech is 103 ha. For the purposes of the baseline assessment, the total biodiversity units have been proportionally extrapolated from the surveyed 97.70 ha, through to the entire 103 ha.
- 18. This can be done due to local knowledge of the site. Key assumptions can be made:
 - Consistency across the site in the types of habitats seen
 - Consistency across the site in the condition of habitats, and the ways in which they are currently managed.
- 19. The whole of the Bough Beech estate will be surveyed in its entirety before the commencement of AMP8.



Bough Beech South

A-1 On site habitat units baseline

Table 3: Bough Beech - South. Justification of baseline values - A-1

| Habitat | Area / ha | Condition | Strategic Significance | Confidence Level |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| Lowland mixed deciduous woodland | 8.65 - Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Dec 2021 | GOOD - Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Dec 2021 | HIGH - Formally identified in local strategy – Kent Biodiversity Strategy. Priority habitat. | Conditions assessment: GREEN. Taken from 3 rd party survey Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken |
| Other | 51.64 - Atkins Biodiversity Survey | MODERATE - Atkins Biodiversity Survey | MEDIUM – | from local policy document Conditions assessment: GREEN. |
| neutral grassland | Site Report Dec 2021 | Site Report Dec 2021 | Connectivity to Priority habitats | Taken from 3 rd party survey |
| | | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| Other woodland; broadleave | 3.61 - Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Dec 2021 | GOOD - Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Dec 2021 | HIGH - Formally identified in local strategy – Kent | Conditions assessment: GREEN. Taken from 3 rd party survey |
| d | | | Biodiversity Strategy. Priority habitat. Described as irreplaceable. | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| Bramble scrub | 0.08 - Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Dec 2021 | N/A - Not required for habitats of V. Low distinctiveness | LOW – not recognised in local strategy. Habitat of | Conditions assessment: GREEN. Taken from 3 rd party survey |
| | | | low distinctiveness. | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |



| Mixed scrub | 0.08 - Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Dec 2021 | POOR - Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Dec 2021 | LOW – not recognised in local strategy. Habitat of low distinctiveness. | Conditions assessment: GREEN. Taken from 3 rd party survey Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
|--------------------------------|--|---|--|---|
| Ponds (Priority Habitat) | 0.074 | GOOD –Passes 9/9 criteria. 80% macrophyte cover, 50% shade. No record of INNS. | HIGH - Formally identified in local strategy – Kent | Conditions assessment: AMBER. D esk study information from 3 rd party survey. |
| | 0.474 | MODERATE – artificially stocked pond. Otherwise in good condition. 8/9 criteria passed. | Biodiversity Strategy. Priority habitat. | Area: AMBER. Overall taken from 3 rd party survey. Individual bodies |
| | 0.318 | MODERATE – Passes 7/9 criteria. | | determined through GIS application. |
| | 0.15 | MODERATE – Passes 6/7 criteria. | - | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| | 0.114 | MODERATE – Passes 6/7 criteria. | | |
| Ruderal / ephemeral | 2.09 - Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Dec 2021 | MODERATE – Passes 2/3 criteria. | LOW – not recognised in local strategy. Habitat of low distinctiveness. | Conditions assessment: AMBER. D esk study information from 3 rd party survey. |
| | | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| Developed land; sealed | 12.42 - Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Dec 2021 | N/A - Not required for habitats of V. Low distinctiveness | LOW – not recognised in local strategy. Habitat of | Conditions assessment: GREEN. Not required for this habitat. |
| surface | | | low distinctiveness. | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| | | | | |



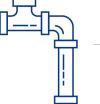
| Individual trees - Urban | 0.4587 – Number of trees from Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Dec 2021. Area from 'tree helper' in metric tool. Assumptions: trees are 'large' and in 'Moderate' condition. | GOOD - Native, individual tree, no evidence of adverse impact on tree health by human activities. More than 20% oversailing vegetation beneath | LOW | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
|--------------------------------|---|--|-----|--|
| Individual trees – Rural | 0.5352 – Number of trees from Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Dec 2021. Area from 'tree helper' in metric tool. Assumptions made that the trees were 'large' and in 'Moderate' condition. | GOOD - Native, individual tree, no evidence of adverse impact on tree health by human activities. More than 20% oversailing vegetation beneath | LOW | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |

Source: SES Water, Atkins Realis, Kent Nature

B-1 On site hedgerow units baseline

Table 4: Bough Beech – South. Justification of baseline values – B-1

| Habitat | Area / ha | Condition | Strategic Significance | Confidence Level |
|------------------------------|--|--|--|---|
| Species rich native hedgerow | 0.03 - Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Dec 2021 | GOOD - 1.5m in height and width, no evidence of gaps, damage or INNS | HIGH - Formally identified in local strategy – Kent Biodiversity Strategy. Priority habitat. | Conditions assessment: AMBER. D esk study information from 3 rd party survey. |
| | | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| Species rich native hedgerow | 0.14 (Measured via MM) | GOOD - 1.5m in height and width, no evidence of gaps, damage or INNS | HIGH - Formally identified in local strategy – Kent Biodiversity Strategy. Priority habitat. | Conditions assessment: AMBER. D esk study information from 3 rd party survey. |
| | | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |





| Line of trees | 0.065 (Magic Maps) | MODERATE – No undisturbed naturally vegetated strip, no veteran trees identified. Sizes estimated as 'Large' | LOW | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
|------------------|--------------------|--|-----|--|
| Line of trees | 0.032 (Magic Maps) | MODERATE – No undisturbed naturally vegetated strip, no veteran trees identified. Sizes estimated as 'Large' | LOW | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |

Source: SES Water, Atkins Realis, Surrey Wildlife Trust, Kent Nature, Magic Maps

Table 5: Bough Beech – South. Justification of baseline values – C-1

| Watercourse type | Length | Condition | Strategic Significance | Extent of encroachment | Extent of encroachment for both banks | Confidence Levels |
|------------------|--------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Culvert | 0.03 (Measured in MM) | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | Conditions assessment: GREEN. Not required for this habitat. |

Source: SES Water, Atkins Realis, Magic Maps



Bough Beech North

A-1 On site habitat units baseline

Table 6: Bough Beech - North. Justification of baseline values - A-1

| Habitat | Area / ha | Condition | Strategic Significance | Confidence Level |
|--|---|--|---|--|
| Other neutral grassland 1 – SNG 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10 | 6.78 – SWT PEA Feb 2021 minus area of orchards determined from Magic Maps | POOR – Passes 2/6 criteria. Fails essential criteria F. | MEDIUM – HPI. Not nominated in local strategy. | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| Other neutral grassland (recorded under Phase 1 survey as Marshy Grassland) | 0.5 – SWT PEA Feb 2021 | MODERATE – Passes 3/6 criteria including essential criteria A. Fails F. | MEDIUM – HPI. Not nominated in local strategy. | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| Lowland mixed deciduous woodland | 7.5 – SWT PEA Feb 2021 | GOOD – Passes >32/39 criteria. No INNS recorded. Good mix of native species. No damage recorded. | HIGH – HPI and named in Kent Biodiversity Strategy | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| Mixed scrub | 0.4 – SWT PEA Feb 2021 | POOR – Passes <3 criteria | MEDIUM – Not formally identified but has the potential to support species of interest | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. |





| | | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Traditional Orchards | 0.72 – Determined from Magic Maps | GOOD – No INNS recorded and ancient/veteran trees present. Passes 6/8 of criteria, including essential criteria A and B. | HIGH – Ancient woodland. HPI. | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. |
| | | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| Lakes - Ponds | 0.46 | MODERATE – Presence of Crassula confirmed. Passes remaining 6 criteria. | HIGH – HPI and named in Kent Biodiversity Strategy | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. |
| | 0.02 | MODERATE – Presence of Crassula confirmed. Passes remaining 8 criteria. | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| | 0.02 | MODERATE – No information supplied. | | |
| | 0.1 | MODERATE – Woodland ponds/ Sparse vegetation. Passes remaining 6 criteria. | | |
| Ruderal/epheme ral | 0.023 (Measured via Magic Map) | MODERATE – Passes 2/3 criteria | MEDIUM – Not formally identified but has the potential to support reptile species | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. |
| | | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| Developed land; sealed surface | 0.14 (Measured via Magic Map) | N/A | LOW | Conditions assessment: GREEN. Not required for this habitat. |
| | | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |

Source: SES Water, Magic Maps, Surrey Wildlife Trust



B-1 On site hedgerow units baseline

Table 7: Bough Beech – North. Justification of baseline values – B-1

| Habitat | Area / ha | Condition | Strategic Significance | Confidence Level |
|---|-----------|-----------|---|---|
| Species-rich native hedgerow with trees | 0.895 | MODERATE | HIGH – HPI and named in Kent Biodiversity Strategy. | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. |
| | | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| Native hedgerow with trees | 0.249 | MODERATE | HIGH – HPI and named in Kent Biodiversity Strategy | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. |
| | | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| Native hedgerow | 1.16 | MODERATE | HIGH – HPI and named in Kent Biodiversity Strategy | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. |
| | | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |

Source: SES Water, Surrey Wildlife Trust, Kent Nature



C-1 On site watercourse units baseline

Table 8: Bough Beech - North. Justification of baseline values - C-1

| Habitat | Area / ha | Condition | Strategic Significance | Confidence Level |
|------------------|-----------|---|--|---|
| Priority habitat | 0.346 | MODERATE, with NO watercourse encroachment, MINOR riparian encroachment only – No information provided. RCA required. | HIGH – HPI and named in Kent Biodiversity Strategy | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. |
| | | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |

Source: SES Water, Kent Nature, Surrey Wildlife Trust



Overview of Bough Beech Baseline Biodiversity Units

Table 9 Bough Beech South baseline biodiversity units

| Total Site Area / ha | 79.70 |
|----------------------|--------|
| Biodiversity / BU | |
| Habitat | 720.34 |
| Hedgerows | 2.73 |
| Watercourses | 0.11 |
| Total | 723.18 |

Source: SES Water

Table 10 Bough Beech North baseline biodiversity units

| Total Site Area / ha | 18 |
|----------------------|--------|
| Biodiversity / BU | |
| Habitat | 214.37 |
| Hedgerows | 19.98 |
| Watercourses | 6.05 |
| Total | 240.40 |

Source: SES Water

Bough Beech – Whole land area

- 20. Combined, Bough Beech South and Bough Beech North comprise of 97.70 ha.
- 21. The whole land coverage at the Bough Beech estate amounts to 103 ha. The remaining 5.3 ha was not surveyed, and in order to gain a comprehensive view of the site, the land biodiversity status has been extrapolated like so:
 - Extrapolate (weighted averages of BU per hectare) to cover the whole of the land area

$$BU_{BB} = \frac{(BU_{BBS} + BU_{BBN})}{A_{BBS} + A_{BBN}} \times A_{BB}$$

 This assumes that the general ecology of the entirety of the Bough Beech site is wellrepresented across the surveyed North and South sites.





Table 11: Bough Beech – Entire site: Baseline units

| Site | Area / ha | BU density / BU ha ⁻¹ | BU |
|----------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|---------|
| Bough Beech South | 79.7 | 9.07 | 723.18 |
| Bough Beech North | 18.0 | 13.36 | 240.40 |
| Bough Beech | 103.0 | 9.86 | 1015.85 |

Source: SES Water

Bough Beech - Reservoir

- 22. The conditions assessment for a large body of water, such as a reservoir is based on four categories: Physical, Hydrological, Biological and Chemical.
- 23. Physical and hydrological condition assessment will be fixed at 5/5 (Poor). This is because we do not expect to change the physical infrastructure, or the use case at Bough Beech in the next 25 years

24. Chemical component

- Improvements expected from WINEP / River Restoration work, as we expect an increase in the water quality.
- SESW has in-house testing capabilities meaning we can monitor and record this frequently.
- Likely to have a score between 1-3

25. Biological

- The biological component of the condition assessment contains information about the riparian zone, which can be surveyed as part of surrounding land surveys in 2024
- The reservoir cannot be in condition 1 due to presence of Crassula
- The reservoir will not fall into condition 5 as there is no evidence of a high concⁿ or diversity of INNS. This is something that will be monitored.

26. Therefore:

- We assume that the baseline condition assessment for Bough Beech reservoir is 'Fairly Poor'
- We also estimate that this will improve 'Moderate' over time

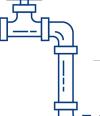


E. Chiddingstone

A-1 On-site Habitat Baseline

Table 12: Chiddingstone. Justification of baseline values – A-1

| Habitat | Area | Condition | Strategic Significance | Confidence Level |
|--------------------------------|--|-----------|---|--|
| | | | | Conditions assessment: GREEN. Taken from 3 rd party survey |
| Other Neutral Grassland | 9.65 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov '21 | MODERATE | MEDIUM – Non HPI but connectivity to HPI | Strategic Significance: AMBER – taken from local policy document |
| | | | | Conditions assessment: GREEN. Taken from 3 rd party survey |
| Other Neutral Grassland | 0.86 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov '21 | POOR | MEDIUM – Non HPI but connectivity to HPI | Strategic Significance: AMBER – taken from local policy document |
| 041 | O.54. Allina Diadinamita | | HIGH – Designated | Conditions assessment: GREEN. Taken from 3 rd party survey |
| Other woodland; broadleaved | 0.51 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov '21 | GOOD | HPI in Kent Biodiversity Strategy | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| 5 | | | | Conditions assessment: GREEN. Taken from 3 rd party survey |
| Blackthorn Scrub | 0.19 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov '21 | MODERATE | MEDIUM – Non HPI but connectivity to HPI | Strategic Significance: AMBER – taken from local policy document |
| | | | | Conditions assessment: GREEN. Taken from 3 rd party survey |
| Mixed Scrub | 0.06 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov '21 | POOR | MEDIUM – Non HPI but connectivity to HPI | Strategic Significance: AMBER – taken from local policy document |





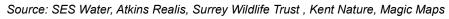
| Open Water | 0.29 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov '21 | MODERATE – Desk study. Passes 6-8/9 criteria in conditions assessment. | HIGH – Designated HPI in Kent Biodiversity Strategy | Conditions assessment: AMBER. Taken from 3 rd party survey Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|---|---|
| Developed land; sealed surface | 0.25 – Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov '21 | N/A | LOW | Conditions Assessment: GREEN. Not required for this habitat. Strategic significance: GREEN. Low. |

Source: SES Water, Atkins Realis, Surrey Wildlife Trust, Kent Nature

B-1 On-site Hedgerow Baseline

Table 13: Chiddingston. Justification of baseline values – B-1

| Hedgerow type | Length / km | Condition | Strategic Significance | Confidence Levels |
|--------------------|--|--|--|---|
| Native Hedgerow | dgerow GIS provided in Atkins other than 'heavily flailed' Rigdiversity Strategy | | HIGH – Designated in Kent Biodiversity Strategy | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. |
| - | Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov '21 | | | Strategic Significance: GREEN – taken from local policy document |
| Line of troos | 1.097 – Measured using Magic Maps GIS referencing Garmin GIS provided in | MODERATE – No information provided. | MEDIUM – Non HPI but connectivity to HPI | Conditions assessment: RED. D esk study with incomplete information from 3 rd party survey. |
| | Atkins Biodiversity Survey Site Report Nov '21 | • | , | Strategic Significance: AMBER – taken from local policy document |





Chiddingstone Baseline Biodiversity Units

Table 14: Chiddingstone baseline biodiversity units

| Total Site Area / ha | 11.81 |
|----------------------|--------|
| Biodiversity | y / BU |
| Habitat | 101.68 |
| Hedgerows | 4.87 |
| Watercourses | 0 |
| Total | 106.55 |

Source: SES Water

F. Elmer

- 27. Currently, we do not have a complete conditions assessment for the entirety of the Elmer site.
- 28. Surrey Wildlife Trust are currently completing the 2023 Biodiversity Report for the site, which will assess the conditions of the habitats at the site under the Biodiversity Metric 4.0. This is expected to be completed in November 2023.
- 29. Therefore, in this draft, we assume that the ecology of Elmer is very similar to that of Fetcham
 - · Both dominated by grassland
 - · Close proximity to each other

30. Therefore

$$\frac{BU_{Elm}}{A_{Elm}} = \frac{BU_{Fetch}}{A_{Fetch}}$$

Table 15: Estimation of habitats, areas and conditions at Elmer site used for baseline calculations

| Broad | Habitat | Area / ha | As % of area |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Woodland and forest | Lowland mixed deciduous woodland | 2.61 | 24.41% |
| Scrub | Mixed scrub | 1.08 | 10.10% |
| Woodland and forest | Other woodland; broadleaved | 0.35 | 3.26% |
| Grassland | Lowland calcareous grassland | 1.90 | 17.71% |
| Grassland | Other neutral grassland | 1.77 | 16.51% |
| Sparsely vegetated land | Ruderal/ephemeral | 0.11 | 0.99% |
| Urban | Developed land; sealed surface | 2.89 | 27.02% |

Source: SES Water



PART C: BIODIVERSITY PC - 25 Year Projections

Fetcham

- 31. Grassland can move from 'Poor' to 'Good'
- 32. Mixed scrub can move from 'Moderate' to 'Good'
- 33. Standing water on the Fetcham site must remain at 'Moderate' condition due to artificial connectivity and management of water levels. See conditions assessment for 'Ponds' for further information

Elmer

34. Assuming same ΔBU / ha as Fetcham

Chiddingstone

35. All habitats and hedgerows at Chiddingstone can move from current condition to 'Good'

Bough Beech - South

- 36. Grassland can move from 'Poor' to 'Good'
- 37. Mixed scrub can move from 'Poor' to 'Good'
- 38. Ruderal/ephemeral land can move from 'Moderate' to 'Good'
- 39. SW2 and SW3 (ponds at the Southern-most area of the site) are limited in improvements due to use as stock pond and connectivity to other water bodies.
- 40. SW4 and SW5 can move from 'Moderate' to 'Good'
- 41. All hedgerows and treelines can move to 'Good'
- 42. Culvert remains as culvert and therefore cannot improve in condition

Bough Beech - North

- 43. All hedgerows and treelines can move to 'Good'
- 44. Grassland can move from 'Poor'/'Moderate' to 'Good'
- 45. Mixed scrub can move from 'Poor' to 'Good'
- 46. Ruderal/Ephemeral land can move from 'Moderate' to 'Good'
- 47. SW5 and 6 remain at Moderate condition throughout
- 48. Remaining standing water bodies (SW1, 2, 3,4, 7, 8, 9, 10) can move to 'Good'
- 49. Watercourse can move from 'Moderate' to 'Good'





50. As with baseline, BU is based on weighted average BU density (BU/ha) between BB South and BB North surveys

Progression Timelines

- 51. For: Fetcham, Chiddingstone, Bough Beech Reservoir:
 - Based on the temporal risk multipliers used in the Biodiversity Metric
- 52. For Elmer:
 - Assume same BU density increases in line with Fetcham
- 53. For Bough Beech land
 - Weighted average of BBS and BBN BU density increases
- 54. Assuming work (new management plans etc.) is started in earnest at beginning of AMP8 (2025)
- 55. Surveys to be repeated every 4 years so changes in condition can only be reported at those 4-year time stamps



PART D: BIODIVERSITY PERFORMANCE COMMITMENT: NOMINATED LAND

Fetcham

- 56. Surveys every four years. Costs based on previous quotes from SWT1
- 57. Based on existing management plan from 2021

Table 16: Fetcham habitats management and incurred costs

| Habitat Parcel | Area | Condition | Management Approach | Cost | Sources |
|--|-------|---|--|----------------|---|
| A-1: 1 Other Neutral Grassland | 14.48 | Poor → Moderate (2037) → Good (2041 | Cut and collect: Mix of annual/biennial Creation of grass-laying piles, dead wood piles | £330/ ha / yr. | Species-rich Grassland Management (ruralpayments.org) |
| A-1: 2 Wet Woodland | 1.4 | Good (Maintain) | As current. No direct management. Keep under observation and adjust if required | £125/ha/yr. | Build a bug hotel (sharepoint.com) Technical Doc (cbd.int) |
| A-1: 3 Other woodland; broadleaved | 1.41 | Good (Maintain) | As current. No direct management. Keep under observation and adjust if required | £125/ha/yr. | Build a bug hotel (sharepoint.com) Technical Doc (cbd.int) |
| A-1: 4 Reedbeds | 0.25 | Good (Maintain) | Maintenance required to prevent succession to other habitats | £100/ha/yr. | Heading 1 (publishing.service.gov.uk) |





| A-1:5 Mixed scrub | 0.96 | Moderate → Good (2029) | Management to maintain but prevent further spread. Cut back ~1/2 every two years | £250/ha | Build a bug hotel (sharepoint.com) Technical Doc (cbd.int) |
|----------------------------|--------|---------------------------|--|---|---|
| A-1: 6 Urban | 0.53 | Poor (Maintain) | N/A | £0/ha/yr. | |
| A-1:7 Standing water | 1.48 | Moderate (Maintain) | Professional advice – algae management. Requires further survey and MP. | £1500 - MP determination £188.94 / 100m² / year annual management | Technical Doc (cbd.int) Build a bug hotel (sharepoint.com) |
| B-1:1 Hedgerows | 0.15km | Moderate → Good (2029) | General annual management | £330/km/yr. | Management or Restoration of Hedgerows (ruralpayments.org) |
| C-1:1 Watercourse | 0.4km | Moderate → Good (2029) | Monitor to ensure free flowing water, lack of INNS. General annual management. | £985/km/yr. | Build a bug hotel (sharepoint.com) Technical Doc (cbd.int) |

Source: SES Water, Surrey Wildlife Trust, GHK Consulting Ltd, Scot Gov

Elmer

58. Surveys as above. Management costs calculated as proportional (based on site area) to Fetcham



Chiddingstone

59. No existing management plan to work with.

Table 17: Fetcham habitats management and incurred costs

| Habitat Parcel | Area | Condition | Management Approach | Cost | Sources | |
|--|----------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------|--|
| A-1:1 - Other Neutral Grassland | 9.65 | Moderate → Good (2037) | | £330/ ha / yr. | | |
| A-1:2 - Other Neutral Grassland | 0.86 | Poor → Moderate (2037) → Good (2041) | - | £330/ ha / yr. | Technical | |
| A-1:3 - Other woodland; broadleaved | 0.51 | Good | - | £125/ha/yr. | | |
| A-1:4 - Blackthorn Scrub | 0.19 | Moderate → Good (2029) | | £250/ha/yr. | | |
| A-1:5 - Mixed Scrub | 0.06 | Poor → Moderate (2033) → Good (2037) | General annual management | £250/ha/yr. | | |
| A-1:6 - Open Water | 0.29 | Moderate → Good (2029) | · • | £188.94 / 100m² / year | Doc (cbd.int) | |
| A-1:7 - Developed land; sealed surface | 0.25 | N/A | - | N/A | | |
| B-1:1 Hedgerows | 0.02 km | Poor → Moderate (2029) → Good (2033) | - | £330/km/yr. | - | |
| B-1:2 Treelines | 1.097 km | Moderate → Good (2037) | - | £330/km/yr. | - | |

Source: SES Water, GHK Consulting Ltd, Surrey Wildlife Trust

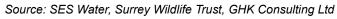


Bough Beech South

60. Based on draft management plan provided.

Table 18: Fetcham habitats management and incurred costs

| Habitat Parcel | Area / ha | Condition | Management Approach | Cost | Sources | |
|---------------------|---|--------------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| A-1:1 Woodland | 8.65 | Good | | £125/ha/yr. | | |
| A-1:2 Grassland | 51.64 | Moderate → Good (2036) | | £330/ha/yr. | | |
| A-1:3 Grassland | 3.61 | Good | _ | £330/ha/yr. | - | |
| A-1:4 Bramble Scrub | 0.08 | Poor | | £250/ha/yr. | - | |
| A-1:5 Mixed Scrub | 0.08 | Poor → Moderate (2032) → Good (2036) | | £250/ha/yr. | | |
| A-1:6 Pond | 0.074 | Good | - | £188.94 / 100m² / year | <u>Draft</u> <u>Biodiversity</u> | |
| A-1:7 Ruderal | 2.09 | Moderate → Good (2028) | - | £250/ha/yr. | Management Plan for Bough | |
| A-1:8 Urban | 12.42 | N/A | General annual | - | Beech.pdf | |
| A-1:9 Trees | 0.4587 | Good | management | £125/ha/yr. | (sharepoint.cor | |
| A-1:10 Trees | 0.5352 | Good | - | £125/ha/yr. | _ | |
| A-1:11 Pond | 0.474 | Moderate | - | £188.94 / 100m² / year | Technical Doc (cbd.int) | |
| A-1:12 Pond | 0.318 | Moderate | - | £188.94 / 100m² / year | <u>(cod.iit)</u> | |
| A-1:13 Pond | 0.15 | Moderate → Good (2028) | - | £188.94 / 100m² / year | _ | |
| A-1:14 Pond | 0.114 | Moderate → Good (2028) | - | £188.94 / 100m² / year | _ | |
| B-1:1&2 Hedgerow | 0.17 | 0.17 Good | | £330/km/yr. | | |
| B-1:3&4 Treeline | 4 Treeline 0.097 Moderate → Good (2036) | | | £330/km/yr. | | |





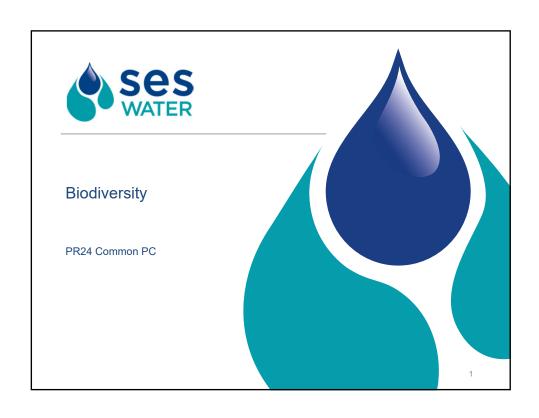
Bough Beech North

Table 19: Fetcham habitats management and incurred costs

| Habitat Parcel | Area / ha | Condition | Management Approach | Cost | Sources |
|-------------------|-----------|------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|-----------|
| A-1:1 Grassland | 6.78 | Poor → Moderate → Good | | £330/ha/yr. | |
| 2 Grassland | 0.5 | Moderate → Good | | £330/ha/yr. | |
| 3 Woodland | 7.5 | Good | | £125/ha/yr. | |
| 4 Mixed scrub | 0.4 | Poor → Moderate → Good | | £250/ha/yr. | |
| 5 Orchard | 0.72 | Good | | £125/ha/yr. | |
| 6 Pond | 0.46 | Moderate → Good | | £188.94 / 100m² / year | |
| 7 Ruderal | 0.023 | Moderate → Good | | £250/ha/yr. | |
| 8 Urban | 0.14 | Poor | General annual management | N/A | Doc |
| 9 Pond | 0.02 | Moderate → Good | | £188.94 / 100m² / year | (cbd.int) |
| 10 Pond | 0.02 | Moderate → Good | | £188.94 / 100m² / year | |
| 11 Pond | 0.1 | Moderate | | £188.94 / 100m² / year | |
| B-1:1 Hedgerow | 0.895 | Moderate → Good | | £330/km/yr. | |
| 2 Hedgerow | 0.249 | Moderate → Good | | £330/km/yr. | |
| 3 Hedgerow | 1.16 | Moderate → Good | | £330/km/yr. | |
| C-1:1 Watercourse | 0.346 | Moderate → Good | | £985/km/yr. | _ |

Source: SES Water, GHK Consulting Ltd, Surrey Wildlife Trust





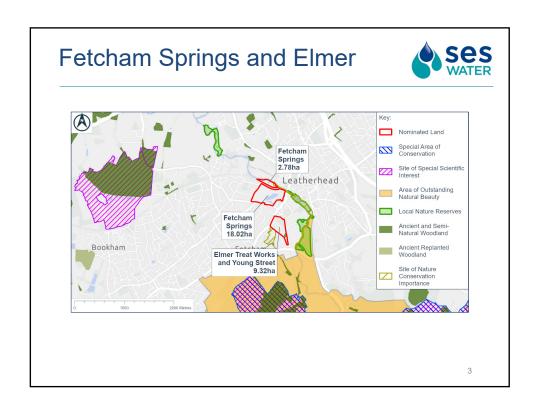
Nominated land





- Leatherhead, Surrey
- Fetcham Springs (20.96 ha)
- Elmer Treatment Works (10.70 ha)

- Edenbridge, Kent
 Bough Beech Reservoir & **Treatment Works** (217 ha)
- Chiddingstone River Intake (11.81 ha)





Nominated land





Total nominated land (AMP8) = 260.47 ha

Total company land = 322.01 ha

Percentage of company land nominated into PC: 80.9%

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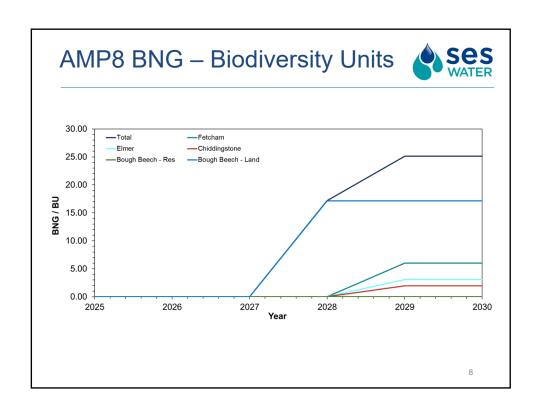
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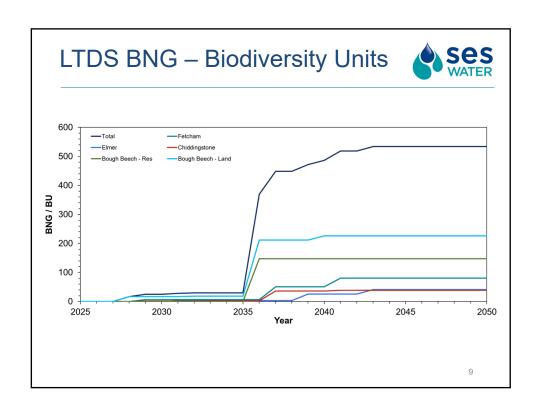


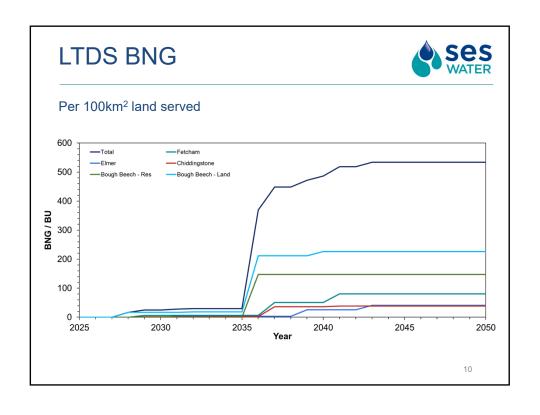
Sensitivity Analysis

| Site | Area / ha | BNG – 'Be | BNG 2050 - Low baseline | BNG - High baseline | |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|--------|
| | | BU | % | BU | BU |
| Fetcham | 20.96 | 80.68 | 53.01% | 82.55 | 50.02 |
| Elmer | 10.70 | 41.19 | 53.01% | 42.14 | 25.54 |
| Chiddingstone | 11.81 | 38.22 | 35.87% | 39.04 | 35.29 |
| Bough Beech - Land | 103.00 | 226.39 | 22.29% | 235.12 | 191.92 |
| Bough Beech - Reservoir | 114.00 | 147.01 | 18.69% | 147.01 | 0.00 |
| Total | 260.47 | 533.49 | 24.94% | 545.86 | 302.76 |

| Bio | Biodiversity Net Gain 2025-2050 Ses | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| Year | | | AN | IP8 | | AMP 9 | AMP1 0 | AMP1 1 | AMP1 2 | | | | | | |
| Tear | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 | | 2035 | 2040 | 2045 | 2050 | | | | |
| Total BU | 2138. 88 | 2138. 88 | 2138. 88 | 2156. 05 | 2164. 01 | 2164. 01 | | 2169. 03 | 2625.1 8 | 2672.3 7 | 2672.3 7 | | | | |
| BNG / BU | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 17.17 | 25.13 | 25.13 | | 30.15 | 486.30 | 533.49 | 533.49 | | | | |
| BNG / % | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.80 | 1.17 % | 1.17 % | | 1.41 % | 22.74 % | 24.94 % | 24.94 % | | | | |
| BNG for land area served / BU 100km ⁻² | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2.06 | 3.01 | 3.01 | | 3.61 | 58.24 | 63.89 | 63.89 | | | | |
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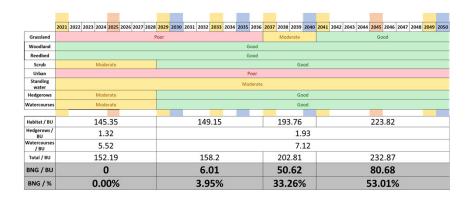




Fetcham Springs



Conditions, baseline units (BU) and BNG trajectory

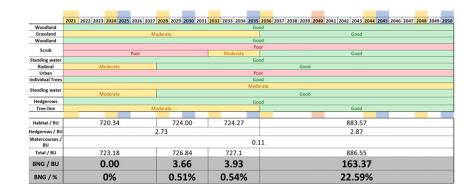


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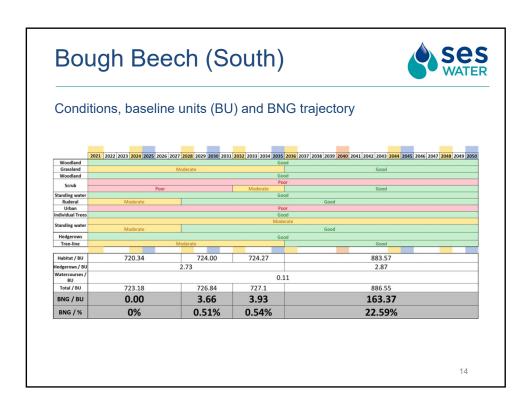
Chiddingstone



Conditions, baseline units (BU) and BNG trajectory



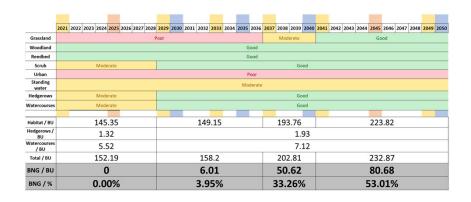
Bough Beech (North) Conditions, baseline units (BU) and BNG trajectory 021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030 2031 2032 2033 2034 2035 2036 2037 2038 2039 2040 2041 2042 2043 2044 2045 2046 2047 2048 2049 2050 214.37 217.74 241.08 255.15 216.4 19.98 6.05 7.81 277.7 253.02 254.36 291.77 Total / BU 240.4 12.62 13.96 37.3 51.37 BNG / BU BNG / % 0.00% 16% 13



Fetcham Springs



Conditions, baseline units (BU) and BNG trajectory



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Bough Beech (whole)



Total land area

| | 2021 202 | 2 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 | 2031 | 2032 | 2033 | 2034 | 2035 | 2036 | 2037 | 2038 | 2039 | 2040 | 2041 | 2042 | 2043 | 2044 | 2045 | 2046 | 2047 | 2048 | 2049 | 2050 |
|------------|----------|--------|------|-------------|-------------|------|-------|------|------|-------|------|---------------|--------|------|------|--------|------|------|------|------|---------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| BU / ha | 9.86 | | | 10.03 10.05 | | | | | | 11. | .92 | | 12.06 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total / BU | | 10 | 15. | 85 | | | 1033 | 3.02 | | | 1034 | 1.71 | | | 122 | 27.41 | | | | | 1242.24 | | | | | | | |
| BNG / BU | 0.00 | | | | 17.16 18.86 | | | | | | - 2 | 211.56 226.39 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BNG/% | | 0. | .00 | % | | | 1.69% | | | 1.86% | | | 20.83% | | | 22.29% | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Total reservoir area

| | 2021 2022 2023 2024 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2030 2031 2032 2033 2034 2035 | 2036 2037 2038 2039 2040 2041 2042 2043 2044 2045 2046 2047 2048 2049 2050 | | | | | | | |
|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Condition | Fairly Poor | Moderate | | | | | | | |
| BU | 786.6 | 933.61 | | | | | | | |
| BNG / BU | 0 | 147.01 | | | | | | | |
| BNG/% | 0.00% | 18.69% | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | |

AMP8 Management Plan Costs



| Site | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | 2029 | 2030 |
|---------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Fetcham | £ - | £ | £ 13,273.15 | £ 5,598.15 | £ 6,318.15 | £ 5,598.15 | £ 10,498.15 | £ 5,598.15 |
| Elmer | £ 6,955.00 | £ | £ 3,225.39 | £ 2,857.83 | £ 7,405.39 | £ 2,857.83 | £ 3,225.39 | £ 2,857.83 |
| Chiddingstone | £ | £ | £ 16,397.42 | £ 9,443.42 | £ 9,444.42 | £ 9,445.42 | £ 13,626.42 | £ 9,447.42 |
| Bough Beech | £ | £ 49,562.15 | £ 33,589.69 | £ 33,589.69 | £ 33,589.69 | £ 43,189.24 | £ 33,589.69 | £ 33,589.69 |
| Total | £ 6,955.00 | £ 49,562.15 | £ 66,485.65 | £ 51,489.09 | £ 56,757.65 | £ 61,090.65 | £ 60,939.65 | £ 51,493.09 |

