

**ExQ2: Monday 1 July**

**Responses due by Deadline 7: Monday 15 July 2024**

**Application by Gatwick Airport Limited for the Gatwick Airport Northern Runway Project  
The Examining Authority's second written questions and requests for information (ExQ2)  
Issued on Monday 1 July 2024**

The deadline for responses to ExQ2 is **Deadline 7** in the Examination Timetable (**Monday 15 July 2024**).

WE.2.4	Applicant Environment Agency	<p><b>Change Request – New onsite Wastewater Treatment Works</b></p> <p>The Environment Agency position as set out in the SoCG [REP5-057] in item 2.22.3.13 states that, <i>“The new treatment facility would require a bespoke environmental permit with a full assessment.”</i> It goes on to state that, <i>“The Environment Agency will not normally give you a permit for use of a private sewage treatment system based on the nearest public foul sewer not having enough capacity.”</i></p> <p>Explain whether a permit would be likely to be granted and if so would any restrictions be imposed on the permit relating to the public sewer network being upgraded.</p> <p><b>Environment Agency response:</b></p> <p>‘In principle the proposed new sewage treatment facility at Gatwick would be acceptable to us if it is operated by a sewage undertaker, i.e. a Water and Sewage Undertaker (WaSC) or a New Appointment and Variation (NAV) company. This constraint applies whether the proposed treatment is of the uplift in output arising from the development above the existing output, currently sent to foul sewer, or the full treatment of site foul sewage post development. This is because the proposed discharge is within the screening distance where we would expect a discharge to be connected to the public foul sewer in the first instance.</p> <p>Any permit application associated with this new facility would be considered by us through the permit determination process – full modelling of the proposed discharge to consider potential impacts on the receiving watercourse with appropriate permit limits set accordingly to protect the environment.’</p>
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