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Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Proposal: Full planning application for the construction of a river intake, pumping station, underground water pipeline (approximately 12.5km in length) and associated infrastructure forming part of the Birmingham Resilience Project.

Applicant: Severn Trent Water Ltd

Dear Emma,

Please find enclosed, on behalf of Severn Trent Water Ltd (STWL), a planning application for the construction of a river intake, pumping station, underground water pipeline (approximately 12.5km in length) and associated infrastructure forming part of the Birmingham Resilience Project (BRP).

The BRP aims to provide an alternative source of water for Birmingham. Around 1.2 million STWL customers in the Birmingham area are currently reliant on Elan Valley water from the reservoir in mid-Wales. The water is transported 119km via the Elan Valley Aqueduct (EVA) to Frankley Water Treatment Works (WTW), near Birmingham. The EVA was constructed over 100 years ago and is now in need of refurbishment. The proposal is to provide an alternative source of water from the River Severn to enable the EVA to be taken out of service for short periods to allow essential refurbishment work to be carried out. The intention is for the BRP scheme to be operated for periods of around 50 days at a time, during the autumn or winter months when river levels are sufficiently high to enable abstraction without any significant environmental or social impacts. It is anticipated that one 50 day EVA outage would be planned every one to two years, subject to water availability in the river.

This planning application relates to the elements of the BRP that fall within the administrative boundary of Wyre Forest District Council (with the exception of the proposals at Trimley Water Treatment Works which are subject to a separate planning application being submitted at the same time). Planning applications have also been submitted to Wychavon District Council, Bromsgrove District Council and Birmingham City Council for the elements of the scheme that fall within their respective administrative boundaries.

This application comprises the following:

- Application form, certificates and notices
- Drawings (full list of drawings provided in Annex A of this letter)
- Planning Statement
- Design and Access Statement
- Consultation Statement

- Environmental Statement Volume 1: Non-Technical Summary
- Environmental Statement Volume 2: Main Report
- Environmental Statement Volume 3: Figures
- Environmental Statement Volume 4: Technical Appendices
- Utilities Statement
- Planning application fee

As previously agreed with all four Local Planning Authorities (LPAs), the above Statements cover the entire BRP scheme while highlighting the elements of the scheme that are relevant to each LPA. Electronic copies of these documents are provided on the enclosed CD (14 copies provided) and a hard copy will also be delivered.

The CD also includes copies of the proposed development in each of the other LPAs for information. The Planning Officers dealing with the other planning applications are Emma Anning (Bromsgrove District Council), David Addison (Wychavon District Council) and Andrew Conroy (Birmingham City Council).

Annex B to this letter provides a full checklist of all supporting documentation provided with the planning application, including cross-reference to other documents where information required for the validation of the application is located.

Annex C to this letter provides details of all the relevant landowners and agricultural tenants notified of the scheme as required by the application form.

Under the Water Resources Act 1991, an abstraction licence is required from the Environment Agency for the new abstraction at Lickhill. An abstraction licence application has therefore been prepared and submitted to the Environment Agency in parallel with the planning applications.

I trust that this submission provides you with all the information you require to determine this planning application. However, should you have any queries, or require any further information, then please do not hesitate to contact either myself or Dominic Moore, Planning Manager at Severn Trent Water Ltd (contact details are provided on the application form).

Yours sincerely



Huw Williams
Senior Consultant

Annex A – Drawings

Drawing Title	Drawing No.	Revision	Size
Location Plans			
Overview of Birmingham Resilience Project	A5W11215-PW31774	A	A1
Location Plan Wyre Forest District Council 1 of 3	A5W11215-PW31775	A	A1
Location Plan Wyre Forest District Council Sheet 2 of 3	A5W11215-PW31775	A	A1
Location Plan Wyre Forest District Council Sheet 3 of 3	A5W11215-PW31775	A	A1
Location Plan Sheet 1 of 16 Wyre Forest District Council (1:2500)	A5W11215-PW31772	A	A1
Location Plan Sheet 2 of 16 Wyre Forest District Council (1:2500)	A5W11215-PW31772	A	A1
Location Plan Sheet 3 of 16 Wyre Forest District Council (1:2500)	A5W11215-PW31772	A	A1
Location Plan Sheet 4 of 16 Wyre Forest District Council (1:2500)	A5W11215-PW31772	A	A1
Location Plan Sheet 5 of 16 Wyre Forest District Council (1:2500)	A5W11215-PW31772	A	A1
Location Plan Sheet 6 of 16 Wyre Forest District Council (1:2500)	A5W11215-PW31772	A	A1
Location Plan Sheet 7 of 16 Wyre Forest District Council (1:2500)	A5W11215-PW31772	A	A1
Location Plan Sheet 8 of 16 Wyre Forest District Council (1:2500)	A5W11215-PW31772	A	A1
Location Plan Sheet 9 of 16 Wyre Forest District Council (1:2500)	A5W11215-PW31772	A	A1
Location Plan for Stourport Compound - Wyre Forest District Council (1:2500)	A5W11215_PW31773	A	A3
Pipeline			
Raw Water Main Lickhill to Wyre Forest Plan and Longitudinal Section Sheet 1 of 20	A5W11215-CW12175	A	A1
Raw Water Main Lickhill to Wyre Forest Plan and Longitudinal Section Sheet 2 of 20	A5W11215-CW12176	A	A1
Raw Water Main Wyre Forest to Wilden Plan and Longitudinal Section Sheet 3 of 20	A5W11215-CW12177	A	A1
Raw Water Main Wyre Forest to Wilden Plan and Longitudinal Section Sheet 4 of 20	A5W11215-CW12178	A	A1
Raw Water Main Wilden to Break Pressure Tank Plan and Longitudinal Section Sheet 7 of 20	A5W11215-CW12181	A	A1
Raw Water Main Wilden to Break Pressure Tank Plan and Longitudinal Section Sheet 8 of 20	A5W11215-CW12182	A	A1
Raw Water Main Wilden to Break Pressure Tank Plan and Longitudinal Section Sheet 9 of 20	A5W11215-CW12183	A	A1
Raw Water Main Wilden to Break Pressure Tank Plan and Longitudinal Section Sheet 10 of 20	A5W11215-CW12184	A	A1
Raw Water Main Wilden to Break Pressure Tank Plan and Longitudinal Section Sheet 11 of 20	A5W11215-CW12185	A	A1

Drawing Title	Drawing No.	Revision	Size
Typical Working Width With Fibre Optic Cable Installation	A5W11215-CW12260	A	A3
Typical Outfall Detail	A5W11215-CW12211	A	A3
Typical Pipeline Chamber Washout	A5W11215-MW38003	B	A3
Typical Pipeline Chamber Airvalve Detail	A5W11215-MW38001	B	A3
Cathodic Protection Groundbed General Arrangement	96739-DWG-005	01	A3
Cathodic Protection Enclosure Details	96739-DWG-008	01	A3
River Intake			
Proposed Lickhill River Intake - General Layout Plan	A5W11215-PD26770	A	A1
Proposed Lickhill River Intake – General Arrangement Plan and Section A – A	A5W11215-PD26771	A	A1
Proposed Lickhill River Intake – Section B-B and Elevations	A5W11215-PD26772	A	A1
Proposed Lickhill River and Intake – Details of Splay Walls	A5W11215-PD26773	A	A1
River Intake Lighting Plan	TLL0159679-EXT-INTAKE-RB-011015	RB	A0
Pumping Station			
Proposed Lickhill River Intake / High Lift Pumping Station Link Pipe - Overall RIPS Site Plan / Longitudinal Section	A5W11215-PX31762	A	A1
Proposed Lickhill High Lift Pumping Station – General Layout Plan	A5W11215-PX31763	A	A1
Proposed Lickhill High Lift Pumping Station – Section A-A	A5W11215-PX31764	A	A1
Proposed Lickhill High Lift Pumping Station – Section B-B (through motor room) and C-C (through Surge Vessel Room)	A5W11215-PX31765	A	A1
Proposed Lickhill High Lift Pumping Station – Front and Rear Elevations	A5W11215-PX31766	A	A1
Proposed Lickhill High Lift Pumping Station – Side Elevations	A5W11215-PX31767	A	A1
Proposed Lickhill High Lift Pumping Station Roof Plan	A5W11215-PX31768	A	A1
Proposed Lickhill High Lift Pumping Station - Plan Level 31.50	A5W11215-PX31769	A	A1
Proposed Lickhill High Lift Pumping Station - Plan Level 26.50	A5W11215-PX31770	A	A1
Proposed Lickhill High Lift Pumping Station - Plan Level 10.21	A5W11215-PX31771	A	A1
Pumping Station Lighting Plan	TLL0159679-EXT-PUMP STATION-RB-011015	RB	A0

Annex B – Validation Requirements

Wyre Forest DC Requirement	Information provide in:
A statement showing which policies relate to the proposal, how the proposal accords with any relevant Supplementary Planning Guidance, details of pre-application advice obtained and a statement of reasons in support of the application.	Planning Statement
A Consultation Supporting Statement if you have carried out local public consultation about your proposal in accordance with the Council's Statement of Community Involvement.	Consultation Statement
Details of the results of any consultations you have carried out with statutory and non-statutory consultee organisations at pre-application stage.	Planning Statement and Environmental Statement
Design Statement	Design and Access Statement and information provided in Section 9 (Landscape and Visual) of the Environmental Statement
Design and Access Statement	Design and Access Statement
Site Levels	Provided on relevant drawings
Landscaping Details and Arboricultural Survey	Environmental Statement (Section 9 and 10)
Affordable Housing Brief	Not relevant as no housing proposed
Education Provision Statement	Not relevant as no housing proposed
Flood Risk Assessment	Environmental Statement (Section 15 and Appendices 15.1 to 15.8)
Drainage	Environmental Statement (Section 15 and Appendices 15.1 to 15.8)
Air Quality Assessment	Environmental Statement (Section 18)
Contamination Assessment	Environmental Statement (Section 12)
Ecological Survey/Biodiversity Statement	Environmental Statement (Sections 7 and 8)
Noise Impact Assessment	Environmental Statement (Section 17)
Playing Field Assessment	Not relevant as no permanent loss or reduction in playing fields is proposed. The Planning Statement provides details of the measures proposed to mitigate the temporary loss of sports pitches during construction.
Retail Impact Assessment	Not relevant as no retail development proposed
Sunlight/Daylight Assessment	Not relevant as the development is not likely to affect the daylight to any adjacent properties.
Transport Assessment	Environmental Statement (Section 16 and Appendix 16.1)
Travel Plan	Not relevant due to the nature of the development

Annex C – Landowners and Agricultural Tenants Notified

Name	Address
Landowner	
Melrose PLC	11th Floor Colmore Plaza 20 Colmore Circus Queensway Birmingham B4 6AT
Severn Trent Water Limited	Severn Trent Centre 2 St John's Street Coventry CV1 2LZ
Peter Frederick Pratt	Woodgreen Farm Lickhill Road North Stourport on Severn Worcestershire DY13 8RW
Mrs W Jones	New Barnes Cottage Blackstone Bewdley Worcestershire DY13 1QD
Worcestershire County Council	County Hall Spetchley Road Worcester Worcestershire WR5 2NP
Mark Hinks and Corinne Lesley Bailey	Brickyard Cottage Blackstone Bewdley Worcestershire DY12 1QD
Clifford Grainger Estate	27 Northwick Road Worcester Worcestershire WR3 7DS
Hills Waste Solutions Limited	Wiltshire House County Park Business Centre Shrivenham Road Swindon Wiltshire SN1 2NR
PAGSTAR LIMITED (Co. Regn. No. 5922408)	11 Castle Street Worcester Worcestershire WR1 3AD
SEVERN VALLEY RAILWAY (HOLDINGS) PLC	The Railway Station Bewdley Worcestershire DY12 8BG
A J Mucklow & Co Ltd	Halesowen West Midlands B63 3JS
Wyre Forest District Council	Wyre Forest House Finepoint Way Kidderminster Worcestershire DY11 7WF
Burlish Golf Centres Limited	Burlish Park Golf Club Zortech Avenue Kidderminster Worcestershire DY11 7EX

Name	Address
The Corporation of Birmingham Metropolitan College	Estates Department 4 Jennens Road Birmingham B4 7PS
Nigel William Locke	21 Vine Street Kidderminster DY10 2TS
Andrew David Jones	5 Malthouse Cottages Dunley Stourport-On-Severn DY13 0UA
CANAL & RIVER TRUST (Co. Regn. No. 07807276)	First Floor North Station House 500 Elder Gate Milton Keynes MK9 1BB
Peter John Robbins	The Laurels Oldfield Lane Ombersley Droitwich Worcestershire WR9 0JL
WILDEN INDUSTRIAL ESTATES LIMITED (Co. Regn. No. 640801)	The House of Lee Park Lane Halesowen W Midlands B63 2RB
Alan Hubble	Wilden Pool Fishery Wilden Stourport on Severn DY13 9PA
Rowe (Kidderminster) Limited	Rowe (Kidderminster) Limited Green Street Kidderminster Worcestershire DY13 9LW
Paul Andrew and Andrea Thorniley	Yew Tree Cottage 194 Wilden Lane Wilden Stourport on Severn Worcestershire DY13 9JT
Edna Mary and Roy Graham Lewis	New Farm Wilden Top Road Stourport on Severn Worcestershire DY13 9JQ
Franco and Elizabeth Mele	Newfarm Barn Wilden Top Road Wilden Stourport on Severn, Worcestershire DY13 9JQ
Edna Mary Lewis and Brian Albert Pratt	New Farm Wilden Top Road Stourport on Severn Worcestershire DY13 9JQ
Julie Millard	Thislands Farm Worcester Road Kidderminster Worcestershire DY11 7RL
Malcolm Richard Cooper	Wildwoods Habberley Road Trimpley Worcestershire DY12 1NH

Name	Address
Robert and Anita Page	Coach House Long More Chaddesley Corbett Worcestershire DY10 4RD
Clive Allen Jones	26 Worcester Road Shenstone Kidderminster DY10 4BU Worcestershire
Robert John Feakins	The Harwood Estate Bonchester Bridge Hawick Roxburghshire TD9 9TL
John Martin and Jason Shaun Thomas	2 Ismere Grange Farm Ismere Kidderminster Worcestershire DY10 3NY
Julian William Abley	265 Marlpool Lane Kidderminster Worcestershire DY11 5DD
Zella Alison Chaloner	High Oaks Ismere Kidderminster Worcestershire DY10 3NY
Roger Clive & Ashley Clive Robinson	Red House Farm Harvington Kidderminster Worcestershire DY10 4LH
Colin Pardoe Limited	Treherns Farm Worcester Lane Hagley, Stourbridge West Midlands
W H Meredith and Son	Woodlands Farm Clattercut Lane Chaddesley Corbett Kidderminster Worcestershire DY10 4QT
Robin and Joyce Blakeway	Stewards Cottage Briar Hill Chaddesley Corbett Kidderminster Worcestershire DY10 4SQ
Veronica Elizabeth Pardoe	New House Farm The Holloway Chaddesley Corbett Worcestershire DY10 4QD
David John Meredith	Holloway Farm Woodrow Chaddesley Corbett Kidderminster, Worcs DY10 4QH
Richard John Meredith	Holloway Farm Woodrow Chaddesley Corbett Kidderminster, Worcs DY10 4QH

Name	Address
Robert Archdale and Rosalie Margaret Palmer	Dorhall Old Farm Dorhall Woodrow Lane Chaddesley Corbett DY10 4QQ
Richard George and Donna Tracey Neale	Portland House Dorhall Chaddesley Corbett Kidderminster Worcestershire DY10 4QJ
Alison Jane Mindelsohn	Pound Barn Drayton Road Chaddesley Corbett Kidderminster DY10 4QL
Roderick Graham and Olive Mary Butcher	The Barn House Woodrow Lane Chaddesley Corbett Kidderminster Worcestershire DY10 4QJ
David Paul Pardoe	Rooks Bridge Farm Winterfold Chaddesley Corbett Worcs DY10 4NN
Ian Philip Pardoe	Woodhouse Farm Bluntington Chaddesley Corbett Kidderminster DY10 4NN
David Samuel Spencer	Swancote Farmhouse Tanwood Lane Bluntington Worcestershire DY10 4NR
Malcolm Stuart Spencer	The Cygnets Tanwood Lane Bluntington Worcestershire DY10 4NR
Michael David & Frances Joyce Pritchard	The Laurels Barrow Hill Belbroughton, Stourbridge Worcestershire DY9 0BL
Hingley & Callow Oils Limited	Severn House Sandy Lane Industrial Estate Stourport on Severn DY13 9QB
Mrs Sandover	Drayton Mount Drayton Belbroughton DY9 0BL
Ms BA Thomas	Broomfield House Waystone Way Belbroughton DY9 0BD
Agricultural Tenants	
Richard Styles	Lower Blackstone Farm Stourport Road Bewdley Worcestershire DY12 1PX

Name	Address
Gerald Norgrove	Cross Farm Romsey Bridgnorth Shropshire WV15 6HP
G A & M Pratt	Leapgate Farm Wilden Stourport on Severn Worcestershire DY13 9JH
T H Timmis & Son	Podmore House Droitwich Road Kidderminster Worcestershire DY10 4EJ
John Robbins	Six Fields Farm Bromyard Road Cottheridge Worcestershire WR6 5LX
Mark Blakeway	Heathy Mill Farm Comberton Road Kidderminster DY10 4AA
Mr R Pearman	Woodlands Farm Hockley Brook Lane Belbroughton DY9 0HG
Mrs KE Baldi	Villa Farm Broom Hill Belbroughton
<p>Unknown – including details of attempts made to identify owner. In accordance with Article 13 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015, details of the application have been publicised in the Express and Star Kidderminster Edition (28th January 2016 Edition).</p>	
Unregistered track between Burlish Park Golf Course and football pitch	The land is not registered in the Land Registry records. A notice was posted on the gateway at the entrance to the track (19.02.2015) but no interest holders have made themselves known. Adjoining landowners have been contacted to check their records for ownership. An e-mail was received from their solicitor outlining that the land may have originally been owned however the original deeds were lost in the 1955 town hall floods. Given the uncertainty we have taken the view to treat this land as unregistered.
River Stour crossing	There is a section of River at Wilden where the pipeline will pass under which is unregistered. Generally speaking the deeds would go to the centre of the river but the land registry data in this location is something of an anomaly. We have spoken to adjacent landowners on the eastern bank who have confirmed that it does not belong to them, and the western bank landowner has not provided any evidence of ownership. Given the uncertainty we have taken the view that this land should be treated as unregistered.
Small section of land adjacent to Kingsway at Burlish Top	A small section of land falls between the WFDC registered title and the adopted highway, and is likely to be an anomaly on the registration.