



Flood Storage Areas

Policy WA3: Flood Storage Areas

A. The Council will safeguard the following strategic areas for flood management from development, which will be identified on the Policies Map:

- i. Sale Water Park Flood Storage Area
- ii. Timperley Flood Storage Area

B. Within, and adjacent to, these areas sustainable development will only be supported where:

- i. It will not have an adverse impact on the functioning of these areas for flood management;
- ii. It will not itself be at an unacceptable risk from flooding; and
- iii. It will provide adequate access for maintenance purposes.

Places for Everyone Links

Policy JP-S2; and JP-S4.

Relevant Strategic Objectives

SO3 and SO7

- 10.24. There are currently two flood management areas within Trafford, located at Sale Water Park and the Salisbury Road Playing Fields in Timperley. Both areas are used for the purpose of flood storage and are operated by the Environment Agency. The boundaries of these areas will be shown on the Policies Map.
- 10.25. Development within or adjacent to areas used for flood management can have a negative impact on their proper functioning, for example by reducing the ability of flood waters to be stored naturally in times of flood and increasing runoff downstream or in adjacent areas. Development within or adjacent to flood management areas can itself be at unacceptable risk from flooding, such as through inadequate access and lack of provision for emergency evacuation.



- 10.26. Development also needs to allow for adequate access to flood management areas for the purpose of maintenance, such as the proper operation of sluices and other infrastructure.

Consultation Question 10-3

Do you support Policy WA3? Are there any changes required which would improve the policy? Please provide any supporting evidence which you think is relevant.