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Dear Mr Hartley

Level 2 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) Final Report (dated October 2011) - Gloucester, Cheltenham and Tewkesbury Joint Core Strategy

Thank you for referring the final report (dated October 2011) of the Level 2 Strategic Flood Risk Assessment (SFRA) for the Gloucester, Cheltenham and Tewkesbury Joint Core Strategy.

We are in support of the alterations that have been made following our previous comments on 16 September 2011, and we welcome that all our previous comments throughout the consultation process have been taken on board.

We consider the Level 2 SFRA is a robust evidence base document to inform the Joint Core Strategy, both in terms of bringing forward strategic sites for development, and for creating planning policies on flood risk. It is also an important source of information for the community, for developers in undertaking site specific flood risk assessments, and for planners in making development management decisions on planning applications.

We therefore support and welcome the document and look forward to its use by the community, planners and developers to inform and deliver sustainable development.

Yours sincerely

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