

We welcome the inclusion of an assessment of flooding from all sources within the Plan. We would like to provide information which you may wish to consider in relation to **Policy MP7** and section Flooding, water resources and water quality.

**Policy MP7:** We would suggest the inclusion of a specific point relating to restoration proposals.

- The restoration scheme must ensure there will be no increase in flood risk from the pre-development scenarios and opportunities for betterment are sought.

**Flooding, water resources and water quality - 6.40:** We would suggest the inclusion of wording to cover the requirement for consenting and/or permitting from the appropriate body for any works that could affect the flow or cross-sectional area of a watercourse.

You will need a consent or permit if your work or structure will affect the flow or cross-sectional area of a watercourse. This applies to both temporary and permanent changes. For further help and advice visit [Consent for work on ordinary watercourses - Norfolk County Council](#).

You must have a consent or permit by law before you begin work. If you begin work without a this you could be asked to change or remove the works.

A watercourse consent application is managed outside of the planning process and can take up to 8 weeks.