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### **ISSUE 9 ENVIRONMENT POLICY CP 11**

## **Sustainable Development**

- Zero Carbon Homes are not practical or viable for water supply in Portsmouth Water's area of supply.
- Rainwater harvesting is less viable at a domestic scale than a regional scale.
- Rainwater harvesting at a domestic scale is not resilient to droughts or climate change.
- Greywater recycling is not viable and has additional health risks.
- Allowable solutions for energy so why not regional solutions for water?

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## Consistency

- Plans and decisions need to take local circumstances into account. (paragraph 10)
- Plans should be based on joint working and co-operation to address larger than local issues. (paragraph 17)
- Design policies should avoid unnecessary prescription or detail. (paragraph 59)
- Local planning authorities should work with infrastructure providers to ensure that forecast demands can be met. (paragraph 162)
- The plan should be positively prepared in relation to infrastructure requirements. (paragraph 182)
- Planning conditions should only be imposed where they are necessary and reasonable. (paragraph 206)

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### ISSUE 12 INFRASTRUCTURE POLICY CP 21

### **On Site Provision**

- CP21 calls for infrastructure to be provided on site wherever possible and appropriate.
- This is unlikely to be economic or sustainable for water supply and is not consistent with Portsmouth Water's Water Resources Management Plan.
- Domestic scale rainwater harvesting and greywater recycling have been shown to be more expensive and less sustainable than public water supplies.
- Domestic rainwater harvesting is not resilient to drought or climate change.

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