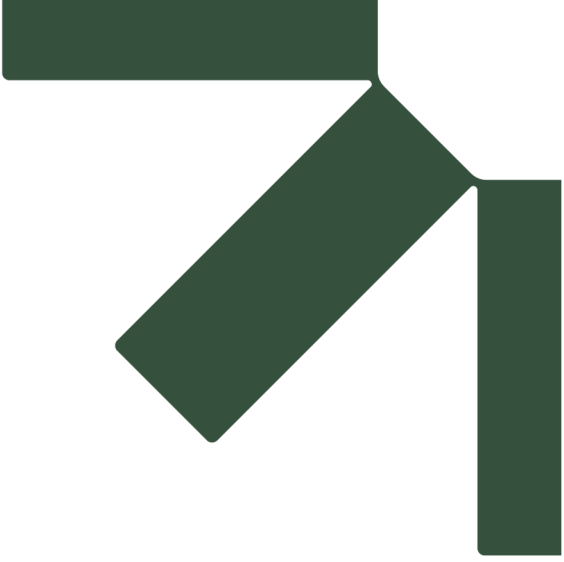




Appendix F NRW Correspondence

Flood Consequence Assessment

Proposed extension of the Margam Substation

BakerHicks Limited

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26 August 2025

Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: FCA Clarification
Sent: 29/05/2025, 09:15:40
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Cc: Donnellan, John (BakerHicks); Cross, Robin (BakerHicks); Duong, Cindy (BakerHicks); Bainbridge, Paul (BakerHicks); Spaul, James (BakerHicks); Evriviades, Helen; Robinson, Michelle

Hi Callum.

Thank you for the response.

I have chased NPT again for a response and my understanding is they are trying to arrange a meeting with Welsh Government regarding the issue.

As soon as I hear anything further I will let you know.

We did contact NRW on the point as well and they noted the below:

Thank you for your query regarding the vulnerability category of the proposed Margam Substation extension, given the recent publication of the updated Technical Advice Note (TAN)15 Development, flooding and coastal erosion by the Welsh Government.

We advise that the guidance in paragraph 9.5 of the TAN15 states *“The list in Figure 4 is not exhaustive therefore decision makers should apply professional judgement when considering development categories not explicitly listed based on the risks posed to lives and livelihoods in the event of a flood. However, the list is the basis for the type of development captured by the Notification Direction.”* We therefore advise there is no role for Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to advise on this in this instance. In addition, TAN15 also advises that justification (which arguably includes vulnerability classification) is a matter for the decision maker (please see paragraph 14.3 in TAN15).

In light of this, we advise you consult the opinion of the decision maker, which in this case is Neath Port Talbot Council. Should the decision maker have any queries, they should be directed to the Welsh Government.

If you need anything further please let me know.

Thanks

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Good morning Luke,

SLR are happy to proceed on the basis identified within your email.
They are capturing your correspondence as an appendix in the report to aid in the justification in regards to site vulnerability classification.
I have also mentioned to them, further to your discussion with npt, it has been raised to Welsh government.
Ideally, it would be better to use NPT's response, but I assume we won't receive one anytime soon.

Kind regards,

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Hi Callum,

Could you confirm if the email I have shared is sufficient?

Thanks,

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Hello Luke,

See attached from SLR to provide input into and review.
I have sent them your discussion with npt for information in which they are reviewing FCA in accordance with.

Kind regards,

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Hi Callum,

As discussed if you could send over the relevant section of the TAN that needs to be addressed, I am happy to provide information on this.

I am also happy to have a call to discuss if that would be easier.

Thanks,

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Good morning Luke,

A progress update and a few queries from FCA & hydrology report.

- Hydrology report, is with myself BHK to review today. I am hoping to be issuing this week to Asite with appropriate reference. This can also be shared alongside with Stantec in regards to the ecological assessments.