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### WATER USE NOTE

The project requires a change of use from a residential boarding block to a SEND special school use for 90 pupils and 35 staff.

The residential boarding block – built in 2011 to Part G building regulations current at the time - has been designed with an occupancy of 58 people. In terms of water use this equates to:

$$58 \times 125 \text{ litres/person/day} = 7250 \text{ litres/day} = \underline{\underline{2,646,250 \text{ litres per annum}}}$$

A school use uses less water than a residential use. RIBA 2030 challenge suggests a 'Business as Usual' water use of 4500 litres/ pupil/ year. See attached graphic:

RIBA 2030 Climate Challenge target metrics for non-domestic (new build schools)				
RIBA Sustainable Outcome Metrics	Business as usual (new build, compliance approach)	2025 Targets	2030 Targets	Notes
Operational Energy kWh/m <sup>2</sup> /y 	130 kWh/m <sup>2</sup> /y	<70 kWh/m <sup>2</sup> /y	<60 kWh/m <sup>2</sup> /y	Targets based on GIA. Figures include regulated & unregulated energy consumption irrespective of source (grid/renewables). Refer to Department for Education Output Specifications for schools: 2025: Primary <5 kWh/m <sup>2</sup> /y 2030: Primary <4 kWh/m <sup>2</sup> /y 1. Use a 'Fabric First' approach 2. Minimise energy demand. Use efficient services and low carbon heat 3. Maximise onsite renewables
Embodied Carbon kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/m <sup>2</sup> 	1000 kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/m <sup>2</sup>	<675 kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/m <sup>2</sup>	<540 kgCO <sub>2</sub> e/m <sup>2</sup>	Use RICS Whole Life Carbon (modules A1-A5, B1-B5, C1-C4 and sequestration). Analysis should include minimum of 95% of cost, include substructure, superstructure, finishes, fixed FF&E, building services and associated refrigerant leakage. 1. Whole Life Carbon Analysis 2. Use circular economy strategies 3. Minimise offsetting & use as last resort. Use accredited, verifiable schemes (see checklist). RAI 1 aligned with LETI band F; 2025 target aligned with LETI band C and 2030 target aligned with LETI band B.
Potable Water Use m <sup>3</sup> /pupil/year 	4.5 m <sup>3</sup> /pupil/y	<1.5 m <sup>3</sup> /pupil/y	<0.5 m <sup>3</sup> /pupil/y	Refer to Department for Education Output Specifications for schools

In terms of water use this equates to:

$$90 \times 4500 \text{ litres/ pupil/ year} = \underline{\underline{405,000 \text{ litres per annum}}}$$

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### BREEAM WAT01 FITTINGS

BREEAM WAT01 makes provision for specifying water-efficient fittings as noted in the table below. Targeting a 2-point BREEAM score indicates fittings which provide a nominal 25% water use improvement against the base line:

Component	Performance levels (quoted numbers are minimum performance required to achieve the level)						Unit
	Base	1	2	3	4	5	
WC	6	5	4.5	4	3.75	3	litres
Wash hand basin taps	12	9	7.50	4.50	3.75	3	litres/min
Showers	14	10	8	6	4	3.50	litres/min
Baths	200	180	160	140	120	100	litres
Urinal (2 or more urinals)	7.50	6	3	1.50	0.75	0	litres/bowl/hour
Urinal (1 urinal only)	10	8	4	2	1	0	litres/bowl/hour
Greywater or rainwater system							% of WC or urinal flushing demand met using recycled non-potable water
Precipitation zone 1	0%	0%	0%	25%	50%	75%	
Precipitation zone 2	0%	0%	0%	0%	25%	50%	
Precipitation zone 3	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	15%	
Kitchen tap: kitchenette	12	10	7.50	6	5	5	litres/min
Kitchen taps: restaurant (pre-rinse nozzles only)	10.30	9	8.30	7.30	6.30	6	litres/min
Domestic sized dishwashers	17	13	13	12	11	10	litres/cycle
Domestic sized washing machines	90	60	50	40	35	30	litres/use
Waste disposal unit	17	17	0	0	0	0	litres/min
Commercial-sized dishwashers	8	7	6	6	4	3	litres/cycle
Commercial or industrial sized washing machines	14	12	10	7.50	5	4.50	litres/kg

It is proposed to target the water use of the indicated fittings to approach a nominal water use of 3000 litres/ pupil/ year.

As a special school, all pupil-operated taps will be sensor-controlled. Additionally, two hygiene rooms are provided which will contain showers and flushing sluice units.

Based upon this methodology, a nominal 25% water saving against 'business as usual' equates to nominally 300litres/ pupil per annum = 270,000 litres/ annum

**In total, this suggests that the water usage of the proposed school will be approximately 11% of the current use rate.**