

Appendix 36: Wycombe District Council

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1.1	Representation	Wycombe District Council thank you for the opportunity to comment on Affinity Water revised water resources management plan. The Council maintains the comments made to the previous consultation last year.
	Our Response	We thank you for your representation. Please see the Statement of Response to our revised draft Water Resources Management Plan which outlines the key changes between our revised and final Plan.
	Summary of any change to our final WRMP	N/A
1.2	Representation	The Council also wishes to highlight concerns with regards to the lack of management of leakages, which lead to more and more sinkholes. This is expected to create increasing safety issues and high costs in the medium-long term.
	Our Response	We fully support the ambitions to substantially reduce leakage by 2050. Our initial aim is to achieve a 50% reduction in leakage between 2015 to 2045. This 30-year programme to reduce leakage by 50% is planned to deliver five years earlier than most other water companies because we started the process in 2015, and will already have delivered a 14% reduction by 2020, followed by a further 18.5% reduction between 2020 and 2025. We will then aspire to achieve a higher level of reduction, to 57% from the 2015 position, which will allow us to reduce leakage by 50% from our 2020 position.
		Clarification of the 50% target and the ambition for 50% post AMP7 (i.e. 57% overall) is included in the fWRMP19 along with clarification of how we have handled mains renewals for leakage and trunk mains schemes. Explanation of how we will achieve leakage efficiencies and details of our leakage reduction strategy are provided in Technical Report 4.8: Leakage Strategy Report and referenced in the fWRMP19.
	Summary of any change to our final WRMP	An update regarding leakage is provided in Chapter 6 and Technical Report 4.8: Leakage Strategy Report in the fWRMP19.