



AMP8 Surface Water Management Programme

Call for Third Party Projects

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Context

- Aims at disconnecting or redirecting surface water through Sustainable Drainage Systems from Thames Water's Networks
- Three fundamental delivery principles
 - Need for Capacity
 - Collaboration
 - Public Value
- Follows successful AMP7 programme:
 - more than 30 partnerships
 - 74 projects, jointly investing more than £30m
 - flows from ~90ha of effective catchment areas attenuated
 - ~18,000m³ of storage provided
- Delivers towards the strategic goals of Thames Water 25-year Drainage and Wastewater Management Plan (DWMP) to reduce future pressures on our wastewater service



AMP8 Calls for Projects

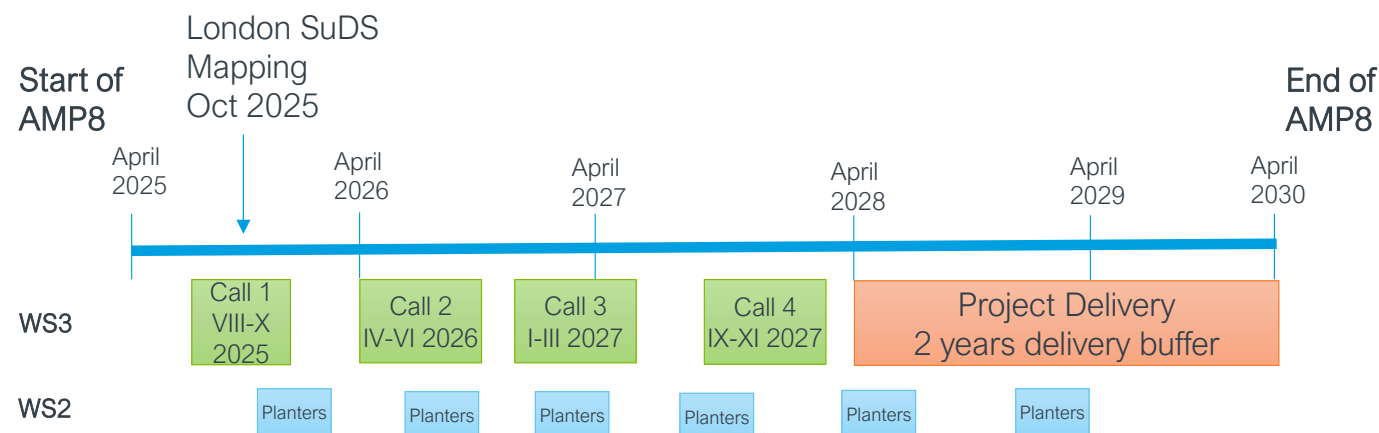
2 Workstreams – Third Party Projects (WS3) and Property Level Solutions (WS2)

WS3 - Third Party Projects

- allocate funding in 4 rounds by January 2028
- **Call for Third Party Projects #1 – allocate approx. £1.5m - £2.0m**

WS2 - Property Level Solutions

- allocate funding in 6 rounds by April 2029
- **Call for Planters #1 – allocate approx. £250k**



Call for Third Party Projects #1

Who is this for?

- Who:
 - public bodies, incl. local councils
 - not-for-profit organisations
 - company or other business registered
 - schools
- What:
 - projects that remove / attenuate surface water from discharging into Thames Water sewers, aiming to reduce flood risk or pollution
- When:
 - projects to be completed and operational by end of December 2027
- And let's not forget about:
 - clear and suitable maintenance arrangements for completed scheme for 30 years



Call for Third Party Projects #1

Application Principles

- Proven process developed in AMP7:
 - applications should be submitted using online application form
 - supporting information should be sent to:
swmp.applications@thameswater.co.uk
- No limit on number of applications
- Funding request per project - £20k-£250k
- We will aim to balance distribution of funding between Applicants



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What are we looking for?

Scheme types:

- Highway raingardens and 'pocket parks'
- SuDS @ Schools (or hospital/governmental building)
- Housing estates improvements / community gardens
- Flood storage in parks and woodland

Addresses need:

- Flooding (actual or modelled)
- Sewer capacity (DWMP assessment)
- Pollution (Storm Overflow catchments)

Solutions types:

- Blue Green preferred over Grey
- Water reuse & Disconnection favoured over attenuation

Delivery:

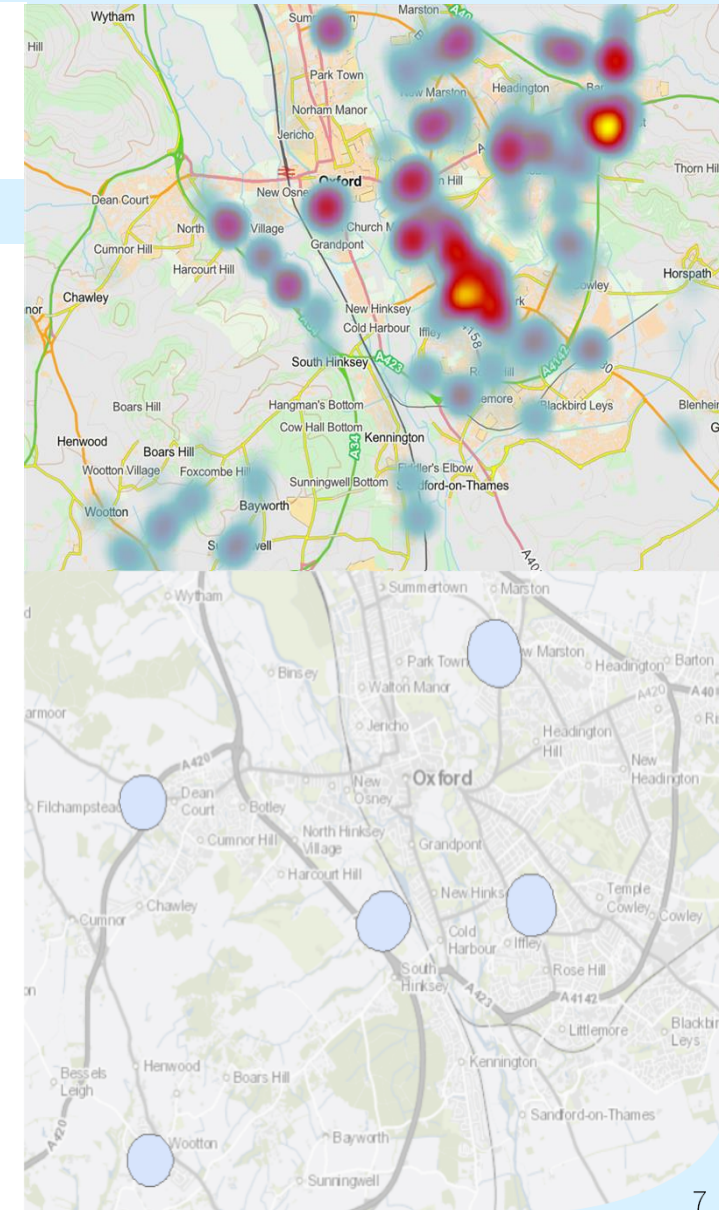
- Projects co-funded by others preferred
- Projects with high confidence in delivery (construction, detailed design, part of ongoing programme) preferred



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Scoring = 40% Need + 30% Cost + 20% Delivery + 10% Solution

- N - Need Score (range 0 - 5 points):
 - sewer type (combined, foul, surface water)
 - TWUL flooding hotspots
 - DWMP capacity assessment
 - additional flooding assessment (historic flooding, severe flooding)
 - Priority Storm Overflow catchments
- C - Cost Score (range 0 – 3 points):
 - Flood storage in parks & woodland - £/m³ of storage (range £200/m³ - £500/m³)
 - Other projects - £/m² of effective catchment (range £50/m² - £125/m²)
- D - Confidence in Delivery Score (range 0 - 4 points):
 - Project stage
 - Collaboration / partnership funding
- S - Solution Score (range 0 – 4 points):
 - SWM Method (disconnection, attenuation, exceedance)
 - Additional benefit (public value, high quality amenity)



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Application Process Timeline



- Submit the online application and send supporting information to: swmp.applications@thameswater.co.uk
- If in doubt – please, contact us at swmp.applications@thameswater.co.uk to discuss your scheme before submitting
- Approved schemes:
 - Provide final scheme details
 - Agree payment milestones
 - Sign legal agreement



Other Funding Sources

Department for Education SuDS in School Grant Scheme

- Applications are open until 20th October 2025
- DfE can provide up to 50% of funding for schemes
- 5% of DfE application score comes from the number of schools within the application (more schools in the application – more points)
- We are looking to facilitate communication between interested schools and Local Authorities to batch schools together and increase chance for success for DfE funding
- State your interest in the application form
- For more information about DfE scheme refer to [DfE website](#)



Next Steps

Timeline

- 'How to apply?' Webinar:
 - Monday, 8th September 2025, 3pm
- Q&A sessions:
 - Wednesday, 27th August 2025, tbc
 - Monday, 15th September 2025, tbc
 - Thursday, 2nd October 2025, tbc
- Property Level Solutions Call for Projects – September / October 2025
- Call for Third Party Projects #2 – April 2026

All the details are available online: www.thameswater.co.uk/suds



Any Questions?