

Factsheet

Guide to our statutory consultation materials



This factsheet provides an overview of the materials published for our statutory public consultation on proposals for a new reservoir in Oxfordshire, close to Abingdon.

All of the materials can be viewed on our consultation website at thames-sro.co.uk/sesro/statcon2025. Printed consultation materials are available to pick up at our community information events and various other locations in local communities. See the back of this factsheet for details.

Have your say

Your views will be used to help shape our proposals. You can have your say using any of the following feedback methods.



Fill in the online feedback form on our consultation website thames-sro.co.uk/SESRO/statcon2025



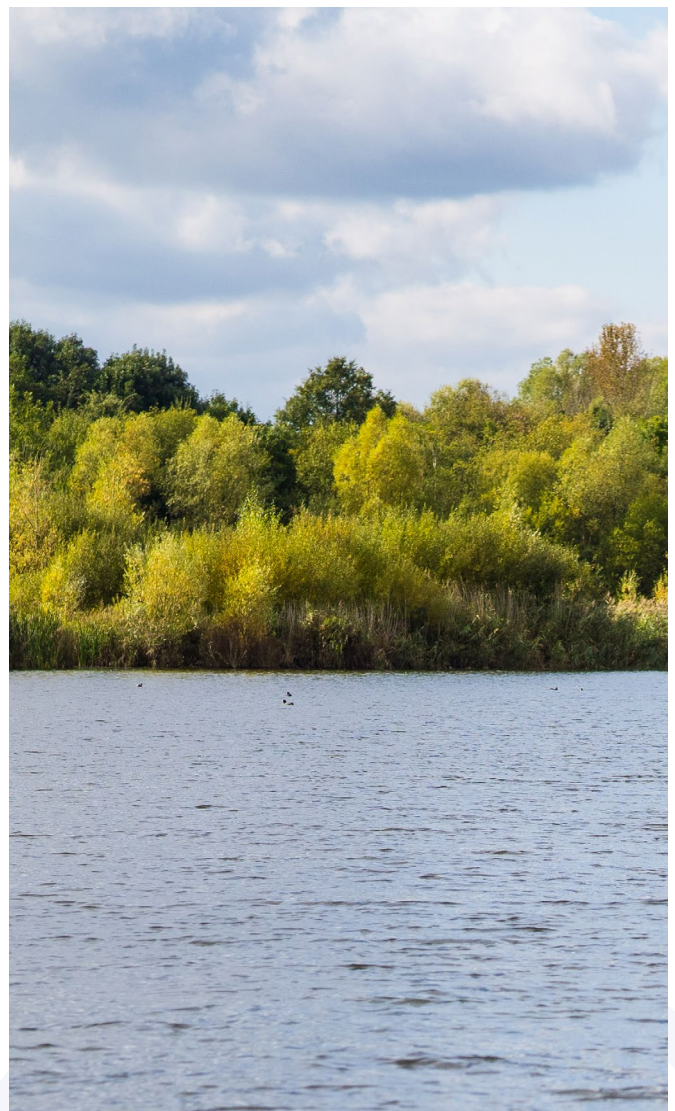
Email your feedback to SESRO@ipsos.com, our dedicated consultation email address.



Fill in a paper feedback form, which you can obtain from one of our community locations, by attending an event, or by contacting us. We also provide Freepost envelopes.



Write to us free of charge with your feedback, at **FREEPOST SESRO CONSULTATION**



Understanding our proposals



Consultation brochure

The consultation brochure summarises our proposals, including what the project is and how we'd build it, potential environmental effects and mitigation, plus information for people with an interest in land impacts and about the consultation. The brochure also lists event details and where you can view printed consultation materials near you



Easy read brochure

A highly simplified version of the brochure



Map book

The map book shows our draft Order Limits (the land needed for the project) and information about temporary and permanent land use, as well as reservoir and embankment sections, and tunnel plans and sections



SESRO: video 1 about the project

This video explains how the project works and presents visualisations of the current designs of key project components



SESRO: video 2 building the project

This video summarises how and where we'd build the project

Managing environmental effects



Preliminary environmental information report (PEI report)

The PEI report presents our current assessments of the potential environmental impacts of the project and what our current plans are to manage these. Includes the draft Code of Construction Practice as an appendix



PEI report non-technical summary (NTS)

The non-technical summary (NTS) of the PEI report provides summaries for each of the assessed aspect areas



Digital PEI report NTS

The contents of the PEI report NTS are presented in an interactive online format available on our website

Other supporting materials



Draft design principles

This document explains the project's design, including information about design principles, and how we'd operate and maintain the project



Delivering a sustainable legacy for people and nature

This document outlines how sustainability has been at the heart of our designs and plans for the reservoir



Land and property fact sheet

This fact sheet provides information relevant to people with an interest in land impacts affected by the project. If you'd like to contact the project's dedicated land and property team, email them at property.SESRO@thameswater.co.uk



Reservoir safety and operation fact sheet

This fact sheet provides information relating to the safe operation of the reservoir.

Where to find information in our consultation materials

The table below shows some of the places where you can find information about topics in our consultation materials. All the consultation materials can be found on our website at thames-sro.co.uk/sesro/statcon2025, and at our deposit locations and in-person community information events (see the back page for details).

	Consultation brochure	Map book	PEI Report	PEIR NTS & digital NTS	Draft design principles	Delivering a sustainable legacy for people and nature
How it works/project components	●	●	Chapters 1-4	●		
Building the project	●	●	Chapters 1-4	●		
Design principles	●		Chapters 1-4	●	●	
Land use	●	●	Chapters 1-4	●		
How the project has changed	●		Chapters 1-4	●		
Benefits of the project	●		Chapters 1-4	●		●
Information for land interests	●	●		●		
About the consultation	●			●		
Previous engagement and consultation undertaken	●			●		
Water environment	●		Chapter 5	●		
Aquatic Ecology	●		Chapter 6	●		
Terrestrial Ecology	●		Chapter 7	●		
Historic Environment	●		Chapter 8	●		
Landscape and Visual Amenity	●		Chapter 9	●		
Soil and Geology	●		Chapter 10	●		
Materials and Waste	●		Chapter 11	●		
Traffic and Transport	●		Chapter 12	●		
Air Quality	●		Chapter 13	●		
Noise and Vibration	●		Chapter 14	●		
Socioeconomics and Community	●		Chapter 15	●		
Human Health	●		Chapter 16	●		
Greenhouse gases	●		Chapter 17	●		
Climate resilience	●		Chapter 18	●		
Major accidents and disasters	●		Chapter 19	●		
Cumulative Effects	●		Chapter 20	●		

Where to view printed copies of the consultation materials

Location	Local authority area	Opening Times	
Abingdon Library, The Charter, Abingdon, OX14 3LY	Vale of White Horse District Council	Monday – Wednesday 9am-7pm Thursday 9am-1pm Friday 9am-7pm	Saturday 9am-4.30pm Sunday closed
Wantage Library, Stirlings Road, Wantage OX12 7BB	Oxfordshire County Council	Monday 9am-8pm Tuesday – Wednesday 9am-5.30pm Thursday 9am-1pm	Friday 9am-8pm Saturday 9am-4.30pm Sunday closed

Community Information Events

These events will include information about our proposals, the consultation process and will explain to attendees how they can provide feedback on the proposals. During these events, members of our project team will be on hand to answer questions.

Event venue	Date	Time
Didcot Civic Hall Civic Hall, Britwell Road, Didcot OX11 7HN	Monday 10 November 2025	2-8pm
Abingdon Guildhall Guildhall, Abbey Close, Abingdon OX14 3JD	Wednesday 12 November 2025	2-8pm
Sutton Courtenay Village Hall Hobbyhorse Lane, Abingdon OX14 4BB	Saturday 15 November 2025	10am-4pm
Marcham Centre Barrow Close, Marcham, Abingdon OX13 6TY	Thursday 20 November 2025	2-8pm
War Memorial Hall Brookside, East Hanney, Wantage OX12 0JL	Friday 21 November 2025	2-8pm
The Beacon Portway, Wantage OX12 9BX	Wednesday 26 November 2025	2-8pm
Milton Hill House Hotel Steventon, Milton Hill, Abingdon OX13 6AF	Thursday 27 November 2025	2-8pm

Online events – register online at www.thames-sro.co.uk/events

These online events will include a presentation from the project team summarising the proposals, the consultation process and how to respond. Attendees will also have an opportunity to ask questions of technical specialists.

Event 1: **Tuesday 18 November 2025 1-2pm**

Event 2: **Monday 24 November 2025 7-8pm**

We have a dedicated team on hand to help you with any queries you may have. If you have any questions, please get in touch with our engagement team by email at info.SESRO@thameswater.co.uk or you can telephone our statutory consultation messaging service on **0800 033 6677**

To find out more about our proposals please visit: www.thames-sro.co.uk

