Self-Lay Agreement
for services connecting to our existing network

Scheme
Location
Reference
Date

Thames Water
THIS AGREEMENT is made the day of 20 (note – this date to be completed by Thames Water personnel only)

BETWEEN

1 Thames Water Utilities Ltd whose registered office is at Clearwater Court, Vastern Road, Reading RG18DB (Company registration no 2366661) ("the Undertaker"), being the Undertaker in whom the Self Lay Works will be vested;

2 ............ whose registered office is at (Company registration no. ............) ("the Developer"), being the party intending to carry out the Development;

3 ............ whose registered office is at ............ (Company registration no. ............) ("the SLP"), being the party undertaking the Self Lay Works on behalf of the Developer;

4 ............ whose registered office is at ............ (Company registration no. ............) ("the Owner"), being the owner of the Site (if not the Developer);

5 ............ whose registered office is at ............ (Company registration no. ............) ("the Adjoining Owner"), being the owner of land adjoining the Site, in which Self-Lay Works are also to be undertaken;

(NOTE: IF A PARTY IS NOT APPLICABLE DO NOT DELETE BUT INSERT “NONE”)
IT IS AGREED as follows:-

1 Interpretation

1.1 The following terms, as defined below, are specific to this Agreement:

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<td>Development</td>
<td>The development to be carried out by the Developer on the Site under planning permission reference no .......... comprising .......... dwellings and ..........</td>
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<td>Drawing(s)</td>
<td>The Layout Plan and such other drawings and calculations relating to the Self Lay Works numbered: .......... .......... .......... (NB. not to be annexed to this Agreement)</td>
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<td>Layout Plan</td>
<td>The agreement drawing numbered .......... rev ..... dated .......... annexed hereto, showing the Site, the Adjoining Land and the layout of the Self-Lay Works.</td>
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<td>Site</td>
<td>Land at ........................................ shown on the Layout Plan.</td>
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1.2 The following general terms, as defined below, shall also apply throughout this Agreement:

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<td>Administration Charge</td>
<td>The administration charges, as published by the Undertaker, which are applicable at the time when a Service Pipe Connection is made as part of the Self Lay Works.</td>
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box, marker and other apparatus) incorporating the section which is to be vested in the Undertaker (shown as the Communication Pipe on Figure 1 of the Code of Practice).

### Costs Schedule
The chargeable items payable by the Developer to the Undertaker in respect of the Self Lay Works as set out in Schedule 2. Notwithstanding the fact that indicative (i.e. current at the date of the Agreement) charges are set out in Schedule 2, the charges shall be payable at the rate prevailing at the date of the Self Lay Works as set out in the Charges Scheme or as otherwise published by the Undertaker.

### Days
Calendar days.

### Defects
Includes damage to the Self Lay Works.

### Defects Liability Period
12 months from the date of the Service Pipe vesting. Vesting as described in the Code of Practice.

### Infrastructure Charge
The Infrastructure Charge payable to the Undertaker under section 146 of the Act in respect of any new connection to the Water Main or any other water main vested in the Undertaker.

### Land Adjoining Protected Strip
Strips of land that extend, horizontally, from the outer edges of the Protected Strip, horizontally, as shown on the Drawing(s) and detailed in any Deeds of Grant of Easement that may be required by the Undertaker in relation to the Self Lay Works.

### Protected Strip
A strip of land centred on the Water Main being five metres in width or other such distance as may be reasonably specified in writing by the Undertaker and are shown on the drawing.

### Self Lay Works
The construction of services to serve the Development on the Site together with accessories as defined in the Act and all necessary works of reinstatement to the land or to any Street in which the Self Lay Works are constructed and the laying of the Communication Pipes and the Service Pipe Connections to be made by the SLP.

Specifically:
Self Lay Provider must:
- Lay xx number (pipe diameter)mm BARRIER PIPE/MDPE (delete as applicable) service connections, from the existing xxxmm BARRIER PIPE/HPPE/DI/CI water main to serve this development. This work includes; all excavation, pipe laying, boundary box, stop-tap, meter chamber and reinstatement.

### Service Pipe
Any pipe (up to and including 63mm diameter) supplying water to any house or building on the Site (including the meter, meter box, surface box, marker and other apparatus) incorporating the section which is to be vested in the Undertaker (shown as the Communication Pipe on Figure 1 of the Code of Practice), and the section that will belong to the customer (shown as the Supply Pipe on Figure 1 of the Code of Practice).
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<td><strong>Specification</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Start Date</strong></td>
<td>The date agreed in writing that the Self Lay Works shall commence pursuant to Schedule 1.</td>
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<td><strong>Street Works Legislation</strong></td>
<td>New Roads and Street Works Act 1991, Traffic Management Act 2004 and any other Act governing the carrying out of Street Works in a Street. (“Street”, “Street Authority” and “Street Works” shall be defined accordingly and “Street” shall include any land that becomes a Street prior to the expiry of the Defects Liability Period.)</td>
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<td><strong>Water Main</strong></td>
<td>The water main (including accessories as defined in the Act) shown approximately on the Drawings.</td>
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<td><strong>Water Industry Registration Scheme</strong></td>
<td>The Registration Scheme operated by Lloyds Register EMEA on behalf of Water UK and its members, which certifies the competence of companies undertaking self lay works.</td>
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1.3 This Agreement made in pursuance of Section 51A of the Act sets out the entire agreement and understanding between the parties in relation to the Self Lay Works.

1.4 If no details are shown for any of the parties (other than the Undertaker and Developer who are mandatory) it shall be assumed there is no such party.

1.5 This Agreement is personal to the parties save as provided for in clause 15 or:

1.5.1 on the solvent reconstruction or amalgamation of any of the parties; or

1.5.2 on the appointment under the Act of another person as the water undertaker for the area including the Site.

1.6 If more than one person is named as one of the parties then any covenants agreements liabilities or statements made by that party shall be deemed to be made by those persons jointly and severally.

1.7 References to gender shall include either gender or a corporate identity and the singular shall include the plural.

1.8 References to any term set out in clauses 1.1 and 1.2 shall, with the Undertaker’s written consent, include any part or parts thereof and any variation thereof agreed in accordance with clause 11.
1.9 References to an Act of Parliament include any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force and all regulations, orders and codes of practice made under that Act of Parliament and any modification or replacement thereof.

1.10 The Interpretation Act 1978 shall apply for the purposes of interpretation of this Agreement as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

1.11 In the event of any conflict or ambiguity, the Code of Practice shall prevail over individual clauses set out below and the Drawing(s) shall prevail over the Code of Practice.

2 Preliminary requirements

2.1 Prior to this Agreement being completed or, if later, as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter and in any event before the Self Lay Works are commenced:

2.1.1 the Self Lay Works shall have been designed either by a WIRS accredited designer (such design to have been approved in writing by the Undertaker) or by the Undertaker;

2.1.2 if no party is expressly named in this Agreement as the SLP or if the party named the Self Lay Works to another person, the Developer or the SLP (as the case may be) shall have notified the Undertaker in writing of all contractors and sub-contractors, each of whom must be accredited under the Water Industry Registration Scheme and must remain duly accredited for the duration of the Self Lay Works and this Agreement, who is or will be appointed to undertake the Self Lay Works provided that no more than one person acting as SLP may be named as a party to this Agreement, such person shall be the principal contractor or sub-contractor responsible for the management and supervision of the Self Lay Works and such party shall not be entitled under any circumstances to sub-contract any aspect of the management and supervision of the Self Lay Works; and

2.1.3 any charges payable to the Undertaker in respect of the application to self lay infrastructure shall have been paid by the SLP or Developer to the Undertaker.

3 SLP Obligations

3.1 The SLP shall not commence any part of the Self Lay Works until this Agreement has been completed unless agreed separately.

3.2 The SLP shall not make any Service Pipe Connections which the Undertaker has notified the SLP that it will make.

3.3 The SLP can make any standard Service Pipe Connection to a Water Main on condition that a valid water regulations inspection or similar has passed. Details of the Service Pipe Connection must be completed on the prescribed form and passed to the Undertaker within 24 hours of the connection being completed for non-household and 3 days for household, including paperwork for self-certification of water regulations and chlorination.
details and water quality sample pass for Service Pipe Connections 50mm external diameter and above.

3.4 The SLP shall properly construct and complete the Self Lay Works in accordance with the Specification and this Agreement within the Construction Period and to the satisfaction of the Undertaker.

3.5 The SLP shall arrange for the Undertaker to have access to the Self Lay Works and the Site at all reasonable times and in particular shall, at its own cost, provide all relevant plant equipment (including safety equipment) signing, guarding, lighting and personnel whilst the Undertaker is inspecting the Self Lay Works on the Site.

3.6 In carrying out the Self Lay Works in a highway maintainable or a highway which has been declared to be prospectively maintainable at the public expense, the SLP shall:

3.6.1 obtain a Street Works licence in its own name from the Street Authority for the street;

3.6.2 comply fully with the Street Works Legislation and make all payments due under the Street Works Legislation; and

3.6.3 in particular, but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, comply fully with the requirements of the Street Works Legislation regarding the supervision of the Self Lay Works by a qualified supervisor and the presence on site of a trained operative to the extent that such provisions are for the time being in force.

3.7 In carrying out the Self Lay Works, the SLP shall ensure that all construction operations are carried out in such a way as to avoid danger to the public and minimise disturbance to the general public and to any access to any premises or use of any public highway or private road.

3.8 Subject to clauses 3.9 and 3.10, during the Defects Liability Period the Undertaker may carry out any maintenance of or repair any Defect in the Self Lay Works or, at its discretion, may by written notice require the SLP to remedy any Defect (to a reasonable timescale determined by the Undertaker) or make good the Self Lay Works.

3.9 Insofar as any part of the Self Lay Works involve work in a Street, then notwithstanding any other term of this Agreement the SLP shall continue to be liable to execute any work which forms part of the temporary or permanent reinstatement for the duration of the permanent guarantee period (within the meaning of S1.2.1 of the Specification for the Reinstatement of Openings in Highways approved in June 1992 under the Street Works Legislation)

PROVIDED THAT after any part of the Self Lay Works affected by any such work has become vested in the Undertaker the Undertaker may by giving the SLP not less than 5 Days notice in writing require the SLP to carry out any such work within such time as may be specified and if the SLP fails to carry out any such work within the time specified or if the circumstances constitute an emergency, the Undertaker shall be entitled to carry out such works after giving reasonable notice (taking into account the urgency of the work) to the SLP.

3.10 The SLP shall reimburse the Undertaker for all such proper and reasonable costs as may be incurred by the Undertaker under clauses 3.8 and 3.9.

3.11 The SLP shall pay any payment payable to the Undertaker under this Agreement within 20 Days of receipt of an invoice.
4 Further obligations on the part of the Developer and Owner

4.1 The Developer shall pay to the Undertaker the Administration and Infrastructure Charges in respect of the Self Lay Works as set out in the Costs Schedule when they become due, which notwithstanding the fact that indicative (i.e. current at the date of this Agreement) charges are set out in Schedule 2, shall be payable at the rate (as set out in the Charges Scheme or as otherwise published by the Undertaker) prevailing at the date of the relevant part of the Self Lay Works. The Infrastructure Charge for a property becomes due at the point when the Service Pipe supplying that property is connected to the Main. The undertaker will not give authorisation to proceed with a Service Connection until the Administration Charge relating to that Service Connection has been paid.

4.2 Throughout the term of this Agreement, the Developer warrants that it has and will retain sufficient rights in the Site and any Adjoining Land to enable the Self Lay Works to be constructed and to permit their use repair and maintenance prior to the date when the Self Lay Works are vested in the Undertaker.

4.3 Insofar as the Site is in the freehold ownership of a party named as the Owner or there is Adjoining Land, the Developer warrants that it has examined the title of such Owner or the Adjoining Owner, as the case maybe, and that such person has an unencumbered title to such part of the Site or the Adjoining Land, as the case maybe, where the Self Lay Works are to be constructed.

4.4 The Developer and the Owner acknowledge that until the vesting of the Communication Pipe the entire Service Pipe shall belong to the SLP.

4.5 The Developer and the Owner shall not build or place, or permit to be built or placed, any building, structure, erection, plant, machinery or apparatus and shall not plant, or permit to be planted, any tree on, over or within any Protected Strip without the written consent of the Undertaker PROVIDED THAT this condition shall not apply to anything shown on the Drawing(s) or the Layout Plan within a Protected Strip or to the apparatus of any electricity, gas, sewerage or telecommunications undertaker provided that any such electricity, gas, sewerage or telecommunications apparatus does not obstruct future access to any part of the Self Lay Works.

4.6 Before the Communication Pipe is vested in the Undertaker, or later at the discretion of the Undertaker, the Developer shall pay to the Undertaker the balance of any costs within 20 Days of receipt of an invoice from the Undertaker.

4.7 Before the Self Lay Works are vested in the Undertaker, the Developer shall at the Undertaker’s request execute or secure the execution (at no cost to the Undertaker) of:

4.7.1 a Transfer to the Undertaker (if so required by the Undertaker) vesting in the Undertaker the title absolute free from any covenant, easement, exception or reservation or other encumbrance of the land forming the sites of pumping stations that form part of the Self Lay Works together with all rights necessary to gain access thereto with vehicles and the Transfer deed shall contain the following agreement and declaration:

“It is hereby agreed and declared that this Transfer of the Property shall not vest in [Undertaker’s name] any pumping station or accessories thereto on, over or under the Property provided however that the same may vest in [Undertaker’s name] as part of any vesting of Communication Pipes within the [Site] and until such time the obligations of the Transferor in any Agreement by virtue of Section 51A of the Water Industry Act 1991 shall remain unimpaired and fully enforceable”
4.7.2 a Deed of Grant of Easement (if so required by the Undertaker) in the standard form of the Undertaker in relation to the Self Lay Works except in respect of any part of the Self Lay Works within a Street.

5 Adjoining Land

5.1 If the SLP is to construct any part of the Self Lay Works in any Adjoining Land then the Adjoining Owner shall be a party to this Agreement for the sole purpose of acknowledging and consenting to the arrangements herein expressed between the SLP, Developer and the Undertaker and agreeing to the covenants set out in this clause. (For the avoidance of doubt the Adjoining Owner shall have no liability under the provisions of this Agreement in relation to the construction and future maintenance or repair of the Self Lay Works.)

5.2 The Adjoining Owner hereby consents and agrees to the arrangements contained within this Agreement as far as they relate to the Adjoining Land and to the adoption of the Self Lay Works into the Undertaker’s public water supply system and acknowledges that the Undertaker shall be entitled to carry out its statutory rights under the Act in respect of the Adjoining Land following the vesting of the Self Lay Works.

5.3 The Adjoining Owner acknowledges that the Self Lay Works belong to the SLP until they become vested in the Undertaker and agrees to give the same covenant as set out in clause 4.4 in respect of the Adjoining Land.

6 Inspection of Self Lay works

6.1 During the progress of the Self Lay Works, the Defects Liability Period and the permanent guarantee period provided for in clause 3.9 of this Agreement, the SLP and the Developer shall give to the Undertaker and any person or persons duly authorised by him access to every part of the Self Lay Works and, insofar as it is practicable to do so and necessary to confirm the quality and specification of materials which are to be used for the Self Lay Works, to all workshops and places where work is being prepared or from which materials and machinery are being obtained for the Self Lay Works and permit them or him to inspect the same and all materials used or intended for use therein and to take samples of materials used or proposed to be used in connection with the Self Lay Works and to carry out tests as he may deem necessary.

6.2 The Undertaker may by notice in writing require the removal or proper re-execution of any work which in respect of materials or workmanship is in its opinion faulty or not in accordance with the Specification or the Street Works Legislation and the SLP shall forthwith comply with any such requirement.

6.3 The SLP shall, if so requested by the Undertaker, open up for inspection any part of the Self Lay Works which may have been covered up and if the SLP fails to comply with any such requirement the Undertaker may itself open up the relevant part of the Self Lay Works PROVIDED THAT:

6.3.1 in the event of any part of the Self Lay Works being found to be defective, the cost of such opening up and of rectification of any defects and the reinstatement
(including reasonable administrative costs and incidental expenses) shall be borne by the SLP; or

6.3.2 in the event that no part of the Self Lay Works is found to be defective, the cost of such opening up and reinstatement shall be borne by the Undertaker unless the reason the Undertaker required the Self Lay Works to be opened up was because that part of the Self Lay Works had commenced before the Start Date, notice had not been given in accordance with the above clauses or the Undertaker was not previously allowed access in accordance with clause 6.1, in which case the relevant costs (including reasonable administrative costs and incidental expenses) shall be borne by the SLP.

7 Default by the SLP and/or the Developer

7.1 In the event of default (at the sole determination of the Undertaker) of any obligations under this Agreement by the SLP, the Developer (if a separate party to the SLP) shall become jointly and severally liable for the SLP’s obligations.

7.2 In the event of default (at the sole determination of the Undertaker) of any obligations under this Agreement by the Developer, the Owner (if a separate party to the Developer) shall become jointly and severally liable for the Developer’s (including, under clause 7.1, the SLP’s) obligations.

7.3 In the event of a failure by the SLP to carry out and maintain the Self Lay Works or any part thereof in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement or (once having commenced the Self Lay Works) diligently to proceed with the same within the Construction Period or in the event that the SLP shall fail to comply with any obligation of a utility executing Street Works under the Street Works Legislation or in the event of the SLP ceasing to be accredited before the Self Lay Works have been adopted, the Undertaker may take over the construction of and/or remedy, reconstruct, maintain and complete such part or parts of the Self Lay Works as the Undertaker deems appropriate by giving the Developer and the SLP at least 10 Days notice in writing (or such notice (if any) as shall be reasonable in the case of an emergency of which the Undertaker shall be the sole judge) of its intention to do so and recover the costs and expenses incurred in carrying out any such work (including reasonable administrative costs and incidental expenses) from the SLP (or, in default, the Developer) without prejudice to any other rights the Undertaker may have.

7.4 Furthermore, in the event of the Undertaker carrying out and/or maintaining the Self Lay Works pursuant to clause 7.3, the Undertaker shall be entitled to enter upon and temporarily occupy by its servants, contractors, agents or workmen so much of the Site as may be required for the purposes of carrying out such work and for that purpose may remove the SLP and/or any other party from that part of the Site where the Self Lay Works are being undertaken.

7.5 Without prejudice to clause 7.3, in the event of the SLP failing to fulfil any obligation under this Agreement not mentioned in clause 3 or the Developer, Owner or Adjoining Owner failing to fulfil any of their obligations under this Agreement, the Undertaker may give 10 Days notice in writing (or such notice (if any) as shall be reasonable in the case of emergency of which the Undertaker shall be the sole judge) to the SLP and the Developer specifying the default and the date by which such default is to be remedied.
7.6 This clause shall survive the termination or disclaimer of the Agreement.

8 Connection of the Service Pipes

8.1 The Undertaker shall be under no obligation to authorise the SLP to connect and commission the Service Pipe to the Undertaker’s existing water distribution network pipe unless in the Undertaker’s sole determination

8.1.1 the Service Pipes, have been properly constructed to the Undertaker’s reasonable satisfaction in accordance with the Specification. If the Supply Pipe cannot be installed in advance of the communication pipe then an adequate temporary stand pipe must be installed;

8.1.2 the requirements of the Code of Practice have been fulfilled;

8.1.3 connection of the Service Pipe to the Undertaker’s public water supply network is unlikely to compromise the integrity of that network and/or the quality of the water to be supplied by the Undertaker to any customer;

8.1.4 the Developer has if necessary secured the transfer of such land or the grant of such a Deed of Easement and

8.1.5 there is no dispute between the Developer, the SLP, the Owner or an Adjoining Owner (or any combination thereof) or with any third party concerning the Self Lay Works.

8.2 Immediately upon the making of any Service Pipe Connection, the SLP (if requested by the undertaker) must provide written confirmation that the connection has been made in the format prescribed by the Undertaker at the time when the connection was made.

8.3 The SLP must notify the Undertaker of the abortion of a proposal to make a Service Connection as soon as the date, on which the SLP had notified the Undertaker that the connection was to be made, has passed and in the format prescribed by the Undertaker at the time when the connection was to be made.

8.4 Notwithstanding the satisfactory commissioning of the service pipe and its connection to the Undertaker’s public water supply network, the Communication Pipe shall not be formally vested in the Undertaker unless the requirements of this document have been met in full and any defects notified to the SLP have been rectified in accordance with the Specification.

9 Vesting of service pipes

9.1 Subject to the SLP and Developer complying with their respective obligations in respect of the Service Pipes, all Communication Pipes which are connected to the Water Main or any other water main vested in the Undertaker, shall upon the making of such connection vest immediately in the Undertaker PROVIDED THAT the Undertaker may refuse to vest any Communication Pipe which the Undertaker considers have not been satisfactorily constructed in accordance with the Specification or if any Defects in connection therewith have not been made good to the satisfaction of the Undertaker. The Defects Liability
period shall start immediately from the date of vesting. Only the Communication Pipe shall vest with the Undertaker. The Supply Pipe shall not vest with the Undertaker through any ratification of this agreement.

9.2 Upon the making of any Service Pipe Connection, the SLP shall provide in writing to the Undertaker the meter serial number, meter size, meter location, full postal address of the property served by the Service Pipe within 24 hours for non-households and 3 days for households and, if available, the name and address of the owner and occupier of the property and the date that that person became (or will become) the owner and/or occupier, together with any other information specified by the Undertaker in respect of the Service Pipe. (For the avoidance of doubt, the Communication Pipes shall not vest in the Undertaker until this information has been provided to, and received by, the Undertaker.)

9.3 If the SLP has not already provided the name and address of the owner or occupier of the property, the Developer shall provide such information and the date that that person became (or will become) the owner and/or occupier in writing to the Undertaker as soon as reasonably practicable and, in any event, within 5 Days of the commencement of their ownership and/or occupation. Pending receipt of such information, the Developer shall remain liable to the Undertaker for payment of the water and sewerage charges due in respect of the property.

9.4 Nothing herein shall affect the liability of any party or any other person to pay the Undertaker’s Infrastructure Charges in accordance with the Undertaker's Charges Scheme.

10 Indemnity

10.1 The Developer agrees to indemnify the Undertaker in respect of:

10.1.1 all actions charges claims costs demands and expenses properly payable or incurred which may be made against them jointly or separately in connection with or arising out of the construction and completion of the Self Lay Works;

10.1.2 all sums payable to secure a transfer of land or grant of a Deed of Easement in the Undertaker’s standard form in relation to the Service Pipe (including, where applicable, valuation and legal fees);

10.1.3 liability of every kind for breach of any Act, regulation, code of practice, byelaw or other requirement which applies to the Self Lay Works;

10.1.4 any acts performed by the Undertaker on behalf of the SLP pursuant to this agreement.

11 Variation

11.1 Without prejudice to the provisions of clause 3 hereof the Undertaker may require (acting reasonably), or at the request of the SLP, may permit the Self Lay Works to be constructed otherwise than in strict conformity with the Specification PROVIDED THAT:
11.1.1 before making any request for a variation, the SLP shall give a minimum of 5 Days notice to the Developer and the Undertaker so that a meeting can be arranged to discuss the proposal.

11.1.2 any variation (other than a variation required by the Undertaker to provide water supply services to any other site or premises) shall be undertaken at the SLP’s expense;

11.1.3 the SLP shall not make any variation without the Undertaker’s prior consent in writing;

11.1.4 Nothing in this clause shall permit or authorise any breach of the Specification; and;

11.1.5 every variation shall be agreed in writing by all parties and shall be annexed to this Agreement.

12 Disputes

12.1 All questions, disputes, or differences (other than those that fall to be dealt with by the Water Services Regulation Authority under the Act or the Code of Practice) which may arise at any time in relation to this Agreement shall be referred in the first instance to a senior manager of the parties in dispute who will attempt in good faith to resolve any issue but failing resolution within 10 Days, the issue may be referred with the agreement of those parties to mediation in accordance with the Centre for Dispute Resolution (CEDR) Model Mediation Procedure.

12.2 If the parties in dispute do not agree upon mediation within 5 Days of such a reference or have not settled the dispute by mediation within 2 months of the initiation of the mediation, the dispute shall be referred to the decision of a single arbitrator mutually agreed upon or, failing such agreement within 10 Days, to be appointed by the President for the time being of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators on the application of any of the parties in dispute and such arbitration shall be carried out in accordance with and subject to the applicable provisions of the Arbitration Act 1996.

13 VAT

13.1 In the event that the SLP, Developer or the Undertaker shall be liable to account to HMRC for Value Added Tax in respect of the performance of any of its obligations hereunder which shall constitute a taxable supply to the SLP, Developer or Undertaker then the SLP, Developer or the Undertaker (as the case maybe) shall be entitled to charge and forthwith be paid the amount of such tax upon production of a tax invoice.
14 Service

14.1 All documents specified under this Agreement and any other notices shall be delivered either by first class pre-paid post, e-mail or by personal delivery to the address of the party for whom such document is intended as stated at the head of this Agreement or such other address as may be notified in writing for that purpose.

14.2 Any documents so delivered shall be deemed to be received in the case of a letter sent by first class pre-paid post 2 Days after posting and in the case of an e-mail on proof of receipt. The contact name, address, telephone number and E-mail address of any parties may be altered at any time during the term of the Agreement by written notification to the other parties.

15 Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

15.1 This Agreement does not confer any benefit upon, nor create any right enforceable by any third party, but shall be enforceable by an owner or occupier for the time being of any premises connected or to be connected with the Self Lay Works.

16 Warranties

16.1 Nothing in this Agreement shall imply any obligation on the part of the Undertaker to any party to this Agreement to ensure that the Self Lay Works or any part or parts of the same are properly constructed.

17 Termination

17.1 If notwithstanding the application of the provisions of clause 7 of this Agreement any outstanding Defects or maintenance issues in respect of the Self Lay Works remain unresolved or the SLP or the Developer shall be adjudicated bankrupt or shall go into receivership, liquidation voluntarily or otherwise, or shall execute a deed of assignment or arrangement for the benefit of, or otherwise compound with, its creditors (except for the purpose of reconstruction or amalgamation) the Undertaker may without prejudice to its other rights remedies and powers against the SLP and the Developer by notice in writing to the SLP, Developer terminate this Agreement and upon such notice being served this Agreement shall immediately terminate but such termination shall not affect any liabilities which have accrued prior to the date of termination and shall be without prejudice to the outstanding obligations to the Undertaker.
18 English law

18.1 The provisions of this Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with English Law and the parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts.

18.2 This agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which when executed and delivered shall constitute an original of this agreement, but all of the counterparts shall together constitute the same agreement. No counterpart shall be effective until each party has executed at least one counterpart.

19 Waiver of rights

19.1 No failure or delay on the part of any party to exercise any of its rights under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such rights preclude any other or further exercise thereof. Any waiver by any party of any breach by another of any of its obligations under this Agreement shall not affect the rights of the waiving party in the event of any further or additional breach of breaches.

20 Void provisions

20.1 If any provision of this Agreement is held by any court or other competent authority to be void or unenforceable in whole or in part, this Agreement shall continue to be valid as to the other provisions hereof and the remainder of the affected provision. The parties agree to attempt to substitute for any invalid or unenforceable provision a valid or enforceable provision, which achieves to the greatest extent possible the economic, legal and commercial objectives of the invalid or unenforceable provision.
SIGNED for and on behalf of the parties the day and year first before written
Signed for and on behalf of Thames Water Utilities Ltd

.......................................................... Authorised Person
Print name: .............................................. Date: ..............................

Signed for and on behalf of (Insert developer name)

.......................................................... Authorised Person
Print name: .............................................. Date: ..............................

Signed for and on behalf of (Insert SLP name)

.......................................................... Authorised Person
Print name: .............................................. Date: ..............................

Signed for and on behalf of (The owner)

.......................................................... Authorised Person
Print name: .............................................. Date: ..............................

Signed for and on behalf of (The adjoining owner)

.......................................................... Authorised Person
Print name: .............................................. Date: ..............................

Please confirm which party is:

- Paying for the infrastructure charges: Developer ☐ SLP ☐ Owner ☐ Adjoining owner ☐
- Paying for the meters: Developer ☐ SLP ☐ Owner ☐ Adjoining owner ☐

(NB. The Agreement cannot be signed by an agent acting on behalf of any party)
Schedule 1 Schedule of work dates

(provisionally approved as part of the design of the Self Lay Works)

Works must be completed within the date parameters of the authorisation number.

Start laying

Thames Water network connection

First service connection

Last service connection
## Schedule 2  Costs schedule (for information)

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