The Department for Infrastructure’s Water & Drainage Policy Division (WDPD) has reviewed the proposed changes to Lisburn and Castlereagh City Council’s Draft Plan Strategy and has no comments to make.

However, we would reiterate our previous comments (see below) on Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) regarding Section D: An Attractive Place, which was communicated to the Council by the Department for Infrastructure in January 2020 and does not appear to have been addressed.

D: An attractive Place

There is little reference specifically to SuDS in the strategic policies set out in the chapter. There is reference to flood mitigation under Strategic Policy 17 on page 118, and it would be encouraging to see this statement developed to include SuDS as one of the mitigation measures available.