

Save time and money with SuDS

What are sustainable drainage systems (SuDS)?

SuDS manage surface water runoff in a more natural way. They manage rainfall close to where it falls and on, or near the surface. SuDS help to:



Manage water quantity



Improve water quality



Provide amenity



Enhance biodiversity

REDUCE CAPITAL COSTS



▼11-16%

Capital costs on a SuDS development are lower than traditional drainage (Leicestershire was 16% and Cambridgeshire 11%).

INCREASE RENTAL VALUE



▲3-13%

Developments are more attractive when located on a wetland frontage.

LOWER MAINTENANCE COSTS



▼20-25%

Maintenance costs for SuDS are lower than traditional drainage schemes.

PREMIUM ON PRICES



▲10%+

Property and land next to a high quality SuDS scheme can typically attract a higher premium.



FASTER APPROVAL



SuDS can speed up the approval process by helping to meet local planning requirements.

Delivering multiple benefits



REDUCE FLOOD RISK

The peak flow of surface water runoff in three Scottish SuDS schemes was **at least 50% lower** than traditional drainage for a neighbouring site.



REDUCE POLLUTION

SuDS can reduce the impact of developments on the water environment by removing **up to 90% of pollution from runoff**.



HEALTH AND WELLBEING BENEFITS

On large developments SuDS can generate health and wellbeing benefits of over **£300 per household per year**.

**Better for the community,
better for business.**