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## 6. Infrastructure & Environmental Services

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Recognise the important role of natural boglands and other wetland areas in flooding patterns. Development in these areas shall therefore be subject to a Flood Risk Assessment in accordance with the relevant guidelines.

Please explain "natural" boglands, there is very few intact raised bogs left and these should never be developed. This action should be further expanded to include all peatland, as the rehabilitation of which will improve flood retention and water quality. The Council should strive to rehabilitate and restore as much peatland as possible if climate change mitigation and flood relief is really on the agenda. The IPCC suggest the removal of the word "**natural**".

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**Documents Attached:** Níl