Claims:

1. A drainage system comprising

a permeable layer having a surface for receiving water;

a storage layer for receiving water from the permeable layer;

said storage layer having an outlet drain~~, and~~;

a permeable drainage block along the said outlet, and arranged such that water draining from said storage layer passes through said permeable drainage block~~.~~ wherein the permeability constant of the drainage block is lower than the permeability constant of the storage layer.

2. The drainage system according to claim 1, wherein the storage layer includes a high porosity cell.

3. The drainage system according to claim 2, wherein the high porosity cell includes any one or a combination of: aggregate wrapped in geotextile, hollow section and polymer drainage cell.

4. The drainage system according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the permeable layer includes a layer of coarse-grained soil or porous pavement.

~~5. The drainage system according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the permeability constant of the drainage block is lower than the permeability constant of the drainage layer.~~

6.5. The drainage system according to any one of claims 1 to 5, further including a gutter arranged to receive water from the drainage block.

7.6. The drainage system according to any one of claims 1 to 6, further including a housing to which the permeable layer, storage layer and drainage block are mounted.

8.7. The drainage system according to any one of claims 1 to 7, wherein the drainage block includes a porous medium encased within a water permeable material.

9.8. The drainage system according to claim 8, wherein the water permeable material includes a geotextile material.

10.9. The drainage system according to any one of claims 1 to 9, wherein the permeable layer is arranged vertically above the storage layer.

11.10. The drainage system according to any one of claims 1 to 10, wherein the permeable layer is a permeable road pavement.

12.11. The drainage system according to any one of claims 1 to 11, wherein the drainage system is located within a drain, and positioned so as to direct at least a portion of a runoff flow entering the drain to the permeable layer, and further such that water passing through said drainage block enters the drain.