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Your ref
DC/25/1108

Our Ref
DSA000046340

Date
5th August 2025

Contact
Tel 0330 303 0119

Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Construction of 1no. detached dwelling and 2no. semi-detached dwellings.
Site: Denhams Andrews Hill Billingshurst West Sussex RH14 9JT

Thank you for your recent correspondence. Please see our comments below regarding the above application.

Proposed Disposal to ground from package treatment plant

The Environment Agency should be consulted directly by the applicant regarding the use of a private wastewater treatment works which disposes of effluent to sub-soil irrigation.

Proposed SUDS features

If it is the intention of the developer for Southern Water to adopt the proposed SuDS, the system shall be designed and constructed in line with the Design and Construction Guidance www.water.org.uk/sewage-sector-guidance-approved-documents/.

No Soakaways should be connected to the public surface water sewer.

The supporting documents make reference to drainage using Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS). Where SuDS form part of a continuous sewer system, and are not an isolated end of pipe SuDS component, adoption of SuDS will be considered if requested by the developer if they comply with: Design and Construction Guidance (Appendix C), CIRIA guidance and Southern Water SuDS Guidance available here:

<https://www.water.org.uk/sewage-sector-guidance-approved-documents/>

<https://www.ciria.org/ItemDetail?iProductCode=C753F&Category=FREEPUBS>



<https://www.southernwater.co.uk/media/l4ndl3db/suds-final-080824.pdf>

Where SuDS rely upon facilities which are not adoptable by sewerage undertakers the applicant will need to ensure that arrangements exist for the long-term maintenance of the SuDS facilities. It is critical that the effectiveness of these systems is maintained in perpetuity. Good management will avoid flooding from the proposed surface water system, which may result in the inundation of the foul sewerage system.

Thus, where a SuDS scheme is to be implemented, the drainage details submitted to the Local Planning Authority should:

- Specify the responsibilities of each party for the implementation of the SuDS scheme.
- Specify a timetable for implementation.
- Provide a management and maintenance plan for the lifetime of the development.

This should include the arrangements for adoption by any public authority or statutory undertaker and any other arrangements to secure the operation of the scheme throughout its lifetime. This initial assessment does not prejudice any future assessment or commit to any adoption agreements under Section 104 of the Water Industry Act 1991.

For further advice, please contact Southern Water, Southern House, Yeoman Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN13 3NX (Tel: 0330 303 0119).

Website: [southernwater.co.uk](https://www.southernwater.co.uk) or by email at: SouthernWaterPlanning@southernwater.co.uk
Yours faithfully,

Future Growth Planning Team
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Boundary Box □ Boundary Box	Break Pressure Tank BPT Break Pressure Tank	Capped End □ Capped End	Hydrant		
			▲ Emptying Plug	⊕ Fire Hydrant	⊙ Washout Hydrant
Pressure Monitoring ● Logger	Service Reservoir ⊙ Covered ⊙ Tower	Meter ⊙ Meter	Valve - Controllable		
			Open Valve	⊕ Closed Valve	✕ Stop Tap
Site		Valve - Flow			
◇ Abstraction Point	⊙ Supply Works	⊙ AV Air Valve	⊙ NRV Non-Return Valve	⊙ WO Washout Empty Valve	
⊙ Booster Station	⊙ Transfer Station	Valve - Pressure			
⊙ Surface Reservoir	⊙ Underground Source	⊙ PRV Pressure Reducing Valve	⊙ PSV Pressure Sustaining Valve	Pipe Bridge	
				= = Pipe Bridge	
Water Pipe			Water Area		
— Communication	— Trunk	— Decommissioned	■ Water Supply Zone	⊙ District Meter Area	
— Distribution	— Raw	— Discolouration			
— Non-Potable	— Private				

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