



from
Southern Water 

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Your ref
DC/25/1371

Our ref
DSA000047159

Date
9th September 2025

Contact
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Use of land for the stationing of 2 static caravans for residential purposes and associated day rooms. Erection of stable buildings and formation of hardstanding (retrospective) Associated

landscape works including planting of native hedges and removal of hardstanding (Retrospective)

Site: Land West of Parsons Field Stables, Pickhurst Lane, Pulborough, West Sussex, RH20 1DA.

Existing Southern Water Assets – General within boundary but no tree, buildings, assets within standoff distance (approximate)

Please see the attached extract from Southern Water records showing the approximate position of our existing sewer and water main assets crossing/in the vicinity of the development site. The exact position of the public assets must be determined on site by the applicant in consultation with Southern Water before the layout of the proposed development is finalised. To get in contact to confirm the exact position of the asset please visit;

https://www.southernwater.co.uk/media/ph4fk3pe/ds-location-of-rising-mains_pb.pdf.

For information on required stand-off distances from public sewers please refer to:

<https://www.southernwater.co.uk/media/st5orjvm/stand-off-distances.pdf>

Existing Water Main - tree, buildings, assets within stand-off distance

The 125 mm diameter water main requires a clearance of 3 metres on either side of the water main to protect it from construction works and to allow for future maintenance access.

No excavation, mounding or tree planting should be carried out within 3 metres of the external edge of the public water main without consent from Southern Water. All existing infrastructure, including protective coatings and cathodic protection, should be protected during the course of construction works. Please refer to: <https://www.southernwater.co.uk/media/st5orjvm/stand-off-distances.pdf>

Condition

In order to protect water apparatus, Southern Water requests that if consent is granted, the following condition is attached to the planning permission; The developer must agree with Southern Water, prior to commencement of the development, the measures to be undertaken to protect/divert the public water supply main.

Tree planting

We have restrictions on the proposed tree planting adjacent to Southern Water sewers, rising mains or water mains. Reference should be made to Southern Water's publication "A Guide to Tree Planting near water Mains and Sewers"

(https://www.southernwater.co.uk/media/pddob0vn/ds-tree-planting-guide-1_nwm.pdf) and the Sewerage Sector Guidance (<https://www.water.org.uk/sewerage-sector-guidance-approved-documents/>) with regards to any landscaping proposals and our restrictions and maintenance of tree planting adjacent to sewers, rising mains and water mains.

Condition

In order to protect public apparatus, Southern Water requests that if consent is granted, the following pre commencement condition is attached to the planning permission; The developer must advise the local authority (in consultation with Southern Water) of the landscaping proposals in proximity of public apparatus in order to protect it in accordance with Southern Water's guidance, prior to the commencement of the development.

Surface water discharge proposed to existing watercourse

The Council's technical staff and the relevant authority for land drainage consent should comment on the adequacy of the proposals to discharge surface water to the local watercourse.

Hierarchy of Building Regulations H3 for disposal of surface water - not yet provided documentation proving compliance

If the applicant has not already provided documentation demonstrating compliance with the surface water hierarchy reflected in part H3 of the Building Regulations, as shown below, we will require this to be provided where surface water is being considered for discharge to our network. Whilst reuse does not strictly form part of this hierarchy, Southern Water would encourage the consideration of reuse for new developments.

- Reuse
- Infiltration
- Watercourse
- Storm Sewer
- Combined Sewer

Guidance on Building Regulations is here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/drainage-and-waste-disposal-approved-document-h>

We would like to engage with you on the design for disposal of surface water for this development at the earliest opportunity and we recommend that civil engineers and landscape architects work

together and with Southern Water. In many cases this may negate or reduce the need for network reinforcement and allow earlier completion of the development.

Where a surface water connection to the foul or combined sewer is being considered, this should be agreed by the Lead Local Flood Authority, in consultation with Southern Water.

Condition

We request that should this application receive planning approval, the following condition is attached to the consent: Construction of the development shall not commence until details of the proposed means of surface water run off disposal in accordance with Part H3 of Building Regulations hierarchy as well as acceptable discharge points, rates and volumes have been agreed by the Lead Local Flood Authority, in consultation with Southern Water.

Cess pit proposed

Under the first-time sewerage guidance the EA expect people to connect to a public sewer if the dwelling is within 30m of our network, this guidance can be found here: General binding rules for small sewage discharges (SSDs) with effect from January 2015 - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk).

Septic tank proposed

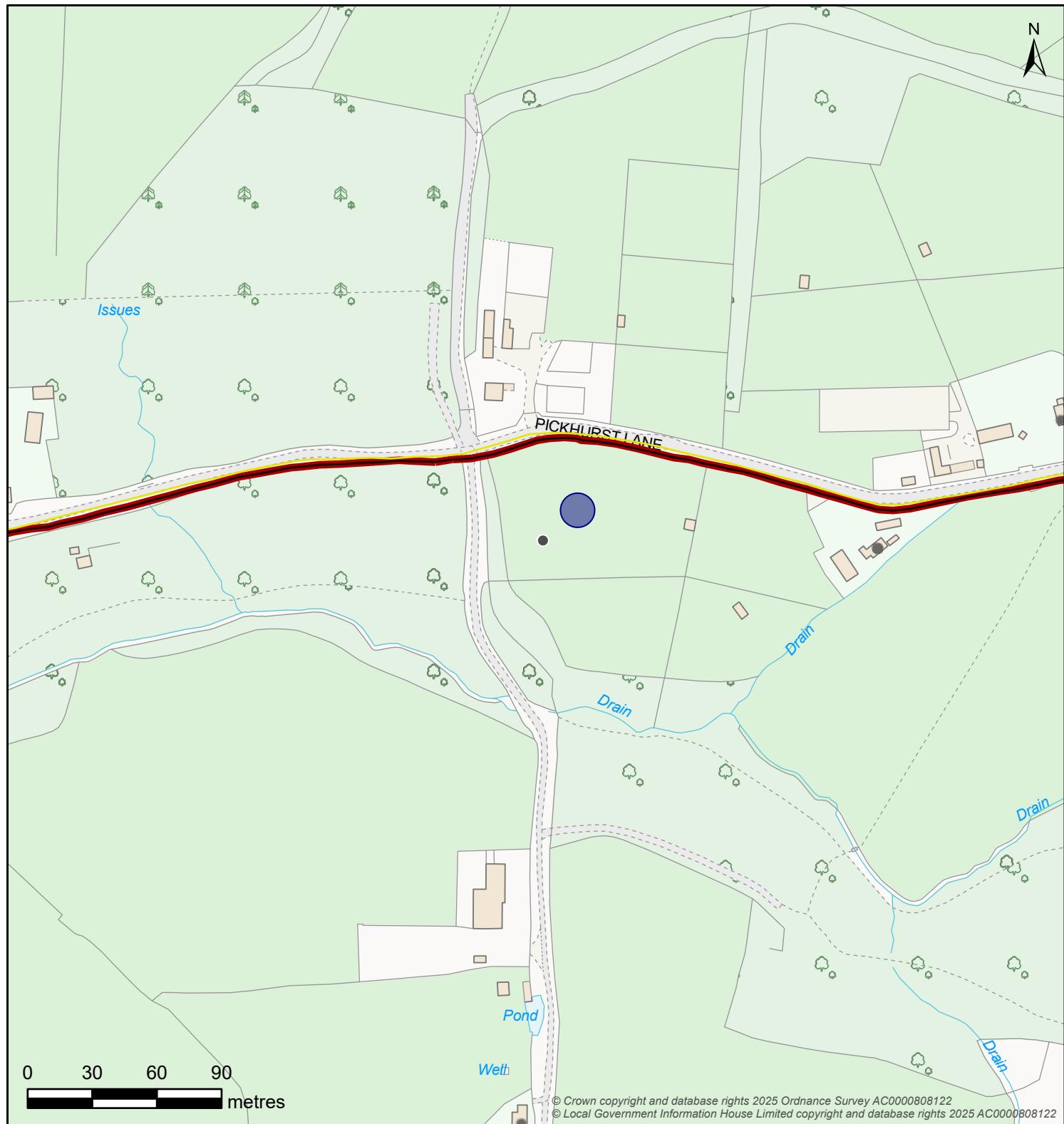
The Environment Agency should be consulted directly by the applicant regarding the use of a septic tank drainage which disposes of effluent to sub-soil irrigation.

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

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Yours faithfully,

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Controllable Valve	Flow Control	Inlet-Outfall		
Damboards Penstock Valve	Anti Flood Device Pumped Anti Flood Device Reflux Valve	Inlet Outfall		
BIF Bifurcation Cascade CP Catchpit Head Of Public Sewer IC Interceptor Chamber Manhole S Soakaway WO Washout				
Outfall Headworks	Overflow Chamber	Pipe Bridge		
Outfall Headworks CSO Combined Sewer Overflow EMO Emergency Overflow		Pipe Bridge Micro Pumping Station Pumping Station		
Sewer Level Monitor	Storage	Treatment Works	Weir	Wastewater Site
Sewer Level Monitor Storm Tank Tidal Storage Tank		Treatment Works Weir Wastewater Site		
Wastewater Pipe	Wastewater Use	Developer Services		
Culverted Water Course Drain Outfall Overflow Rising Main Sewer	Syphon Tank Sewer Trunk Sewer Vacuum Main Decommissioned Pipe	Foul Combined Sludge Treated Effluent Surface Water Private		
		Build Over Agreement Section 104		
	Wastewater Area			
	Catchment Sub-Catchment			

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