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Your ref
DC/25/1957

Our ref
DSA000043178

Date
17th December 2025

Contact
Tel 0330 303 0119

Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Demolition of pole barn. Conversion of existing stable building into 1no. detached dwelling with associated works.

Site: Oaklands Stud Forest Grange Horsham West Sussex

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

Insufficient Information provided

Construction of the development shall not commence until details of the proposed means of foul water drainage disposal have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority in consultation with Southern Water.

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.

Proposed Soakaways

The Council's Building Control officers or technical staff should be asked to comment on the adequacy of Soakaways to dispose of surface water from the proposed development. No new Soakaways should be located within 5 metres of a public or adoptable gravity sewer, rising main or water main.

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

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.

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

Website: southernwater.co.uk or by email at: SouthernWaterPlanning@southernwater.co.uk



Yours faithfully,
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Controllable Valve		Flow Control			Inlet-Outfall		
Manhole							
Outfall Headworks		Overflow Chamber		Pipe Bridge		Pumping Station	
Sewer Level Monitor		Storage		Treatment Works		Weir	
Wastewater Pipe			Wastewater Use		Developer Services		

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