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Subject: DC/26/0029 - Gaydon, Kennel Lane, West Grinstead, RH13 8LX

Dear Sophie,

Environmental Health have reviewed the H2Ogeo Preliminary Risk Assessment, dated 24 February 2026, and the level of detail in the report is welcomed, we do however have the following comments to make:

1. We note that section 6 is titled 'Risk Assessment', we would however like to see the assessment undertaken more in accordance with current technical guidance i.e. a qualitative assessment with tests for probability and consequence applied to each potential pollutant linkage.
2. We note that 'Domestic Quantities of Chemicals/Fuel' have been identified as the only potential source of contamination on this site and whilst we agree with these as potential sources, given our experience of similar sites we are also of the view that there likely to be made ground soils on the site associated with the current/historic development. Made ground soils can be a source of contamination, in particular heavy metals and PAHs, even on sites with no obvious potentially contaminating historic use, we are of view therefore that these should be considered in the preliminary contamination risk assessment with the summary and conclusions updated accordingly.
3. A difference in ground levels across a site not associated with natural topography, even if minor, can indicate the presence of made ground soils on a site. With this comment in mind we appreciate that there is detail on site topography in section 2.1 and detail on the site walkover in section 3.1, both of which are welcomed, we would however be grateful for further commentary in the site walkover section on ground levels across the site.

Before the above mentioned amendments are undertaken, or if there is any uncertainty on the above, we would be happy to discuss with the applicant and/or their environmental consultant.

Kind regards

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