from Southern Water

Horsham District Council
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RH12 1RL

Your ref
DC/26/1648

Our ref
DSA000058814

Date
5th November 2026

Contact
Tel 0330 303 0119

Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Change of use from existing offices to a 2 or 3-bed apartment
Site: 80A High Street, Steyning, West Sussex, BN44 3RD.

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

The applicant is planning to utilise the current connections for foul and surface water disposal, which is acceptable to Southern Water.

Existing Gravity Sewer - tree, buildings, assets within stand-off distance

The 150 mm diameter gravity sewer requires a clearance of 3 metres on either side of the gravity sewer to protect it from construction works and to allow for future maintenance access.
No development or tree planting should be carried out within 3 metres of the external edge of the public gravity sewer without consent from Southern Water. All existing infrastructure 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 public sewers, 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 taken to protect the public sewers.

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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.

S106 Connection application

Any new connections to the public sewerage system will require a Section 106 connection application to be submitted and approved by Southern Water Services.
To make an application visit Southern Water's Get Connected service: https://developerservices.southernwater.co.uk and please read our New Connections Charging Arrangements documents which are available on our website via the following link: https://www.southernwater.co.uk/developing-building/connection-charging-arrangements

Please note that, where there are separate systems available, Southern Water will not allow surface water to connect into the public foul sewer.

Due to legislative changes effective from 1st October 2011 regarding the ownership of sewers, it is possible that a sewer now deemed to be public could be crossing the development site. Therefore, should any sewer be found during construction work, an investigation of the sewer will be required to ascertain its ownership before any work commences on site. If this happens, please call our Customer Service Desk on 0330 303 0119.

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,
Future Growth Planning Team
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Controllable Valve			Flow Control			Inlet-Outfall	
Damboards	Penstock	Valve	Anti Flood Device	Pumped Anti Flood Device	Reflux Valve	Inlet	Outfall

Manhole									
BIF Bifurcation	Cascade	CP Catchpit	Head Of Public Sewer	IC Interceptor Chamber	Manhole	S Soakaway	WO Washout		

Outfall Headworks	Overflow Chamber		Pipe Bridge	Pumping Station	
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	Syphon	Foul	Build Over Agreement	Section 104
Drain	Tank Sewer	Combined	**Wastewater Area**	
Outfall	Trunk Sewer	Sludge	Catchment	
Overflow	Vacuum Main	Treated Effluent	Sub-Catchment	
Rising Main	Decommissioned Pipe	Surface Water		
Sewer		Private		

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