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FAO: Bethan Tinning

Dear Bethan,

Having viewed the plans for the planning application no. DC/25/0434 for prior notification for the change of use of an Agricultural Building with erection of a single storey rear extension to 1no dwellinghouse (C3 Use Class): the nearest fire hydrant for the supply of water for firefighting is 355-metres away, 180-metres further than the 175-metre distance required for a domestic premises. If an alternative water supply for firefighting is to be considered it will need to conform with the details identified in Approved Document-B (AD-B) Volume 1: B5 section 14 and agreed with West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service. There is a body of water in close proximity, but unclear if this has suitable access for a fire appliance or light portable pump to be capable of extracting the water.

Evidence will also be required to show the Fire Service vehicle access meets with the requirements identified in Approved Document B Volume 1: B5 Section 15, including Table 15.2 and diagram 15.3. A fire appliance requires a minimum width of 3.1m through any gateway or narrowing and 3.7m between road edge or curbs, the fire appliance can gaon access to within 45-metres of all points inside the dwelling, and the access route can support 18-Tonne axial weight of a fire appliance.

Although this is the change of use of an existing property, it is a significant change with no supply of water for firefighting available within the required distance, information the owner may not be aware of, and information that could affect their insurance premiums if water for firefighting is not provided. This would also benefit the other units on the site.

Regards
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