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Dear Matthew,

RE: DC/26/0322 Steyning Grammar Upper School Shooting Field Steyning West Sussex BN44 3RX

Thank you for your reconsultation on the above site, received on 20th May 2026. We have reviewed the responses to our comments as submitted and would respond as follows in [blue](#):

1. In compliance with standard 1.6 of the National Standards for SuDS, please provide written confirmation of ownership *or* right to discharge at the proposed locations from the landowner (surface water discharge for catchments A1 and A2) and the asset owner (surface water discharge for catchment B).
[This has been adequately addressed, subject to any further comment made by Southern Water regarding catchment B.](#)
2. Paragraph 7.1.4 of the supplied FRA and Drainage Strategy advises that a detailed topographic survey and condition assessment is currently being undertaken for the watercourse that is the discharge method for catchments A1 and A2. Similarly paragraph 7.3.8 informs of further CCTV and surveying with the aim to provide confirmation of outfall locations (including watercourse levels) and evidence of connectivity/capacity for both the watercourse and surface water sewers. Please can we be provided with the results of these for review.
[The evidence supplied is sufficient, however please see advisory below.](#)
3. If possible, for completeness can the titles of the calculations be updated with the correct climate change allowance (which it appears has been correctly applied in the substantive calculations). Example below:

Project:
B1641 - Steyning Grammar School
Surface Water Network
17.9 l/s Discharge Rate - 100yr+40%CC

[This has been addressed.](#)

4. We note at 7.3.2 that the proposed discharge rate to the surface water sewer for catchment B is 10.65l/s, and that the hydrobrake at SW80 (drainage layout sheet 1) also has this rate. However the final discharge manhole (SW82 as proposed on the same plan) states a discharge rate of 5.84l/s. Please can further details be provided as to which rate is correct, and if the lower rate is proposed how it is to be achieved.

[This has been addressed.](#)

As such we have no objection to this application subject to the conditions below:

1. All development shall be constructed in accordance with the submitted and approved Flood Risk Assessment (dated 16/02/2026 and inclusive of supplementary report B1641/2/LB/NG dated 01st May 2026), unless otherwise first approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure the flood risk is adequately addressed and not increased in accordance with NPPF and local planning policy 38 in the Horsham District Planning Framework

2. Upon completion of the surface water drainage system, including any SuDS features, and prior to the first occupation of the development; a survey and report from an independent surveyor shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The survey and report shall demonstrate that the surface water drainage system has been constructed in accordance with the details approved pursuant to condition 1. Where necessary, details of corrective works to be carried out along with a timetable for their completion, shall be included for approval in writing by the Local Planning Authority. Any corrective works required shall be carried out in accordance with the approved timetable and subsequently re-surveyed with the findings submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that the development achieves a high standard of sustainability and ensure the flood risk is adequately addressed for each new dwelling and not increased in accordance with NPPF and local planning policy 38 in the Horsham District Planning Framework

Advisory Comments

We concur with the recommendations made in the condition survey reference SRP1121-CTP-00-EX-T-C-8410 P2 and these should be implemented prior to substantive works commencing. We would remind the Applicant of the duty to keep any watercourse under their riparian control in a clear and free flowing condition. This includes the removal of debris, excess vegetation and silt build up back to hard bed level. If any unnecessary culverts, crossovers etc are present these should be returned to open ditch if possible. (As previously advised Ordinary Watercourse Consent may be required for certain activities. We would recommend the Applicant review our website, which has further details on riparian responsibility and consent :

[Ordinary watercourse land drainage consent - West Sussex County Council](#))

Yours sincerely,

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Annex

The following documents have been reviewed, which have been submitted to support the application;

- Flood Risk Assessment And Drainage Strategy: SRP1121-CTP-00-EX-T-C-8400 February 2026
- Condition Survey Of Eastern Boundary Ditch: SRP1121-CTP-00-EX-T-C-8410 May 2026
- B1641/2/LB/NG dated 01st May 2026 including appendices A-E