HORSHAM DISTRICT COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Development Control
FROM:	Environmental Health and Licensing
REFERENCE:	DC/25/0211
LOCATION:	The Haven House, Sedgwick Lane, Horsham, West Sussex, RH13 6QE
DESCRIPTION:	Prior Notification for Change of Use of existing agricultural building to Class C3 dwellinghouse with associated building works to undertake proposed conversion.
RECOMMENDATION:	Further information required – application is currently insufficiently detailed to be determined

MAIN COMMENTS:

Land Contamination

Given the historic agricultural use of the site, a land use which we Environmental Health considers potentially contaminating, and the likely presence of made ground associated with the current development we are of the view that the ground on the site has the potential to be contaminated.

Given the above and taking into account the proposed residential use of the site, a land use that is sensitive to the presence of contamination, to ensure the site is suitable for residential development the application should be supported by a preliminary contamination risk assessment (PCRA), undertaken by a suitably competent and experienced environmental consultant.

Proposed Water Supply

The application site would appear to be located within the Sussex North Water Resource Zone, a water neutrality statement does not however appear to have provided in support of the application. If a water neutrality statement is required and is subsequently provided and it indicates that water neutrality will be achieved by way of a private water supply such as a rainwater harvesting system and/or an onsite borehole then we ask that we are re-consulted.

Construction Phase

During site clearance, preparation and construction there is the potential for local residents to experience adverse impacts from noise, dust and construction traffic movements. These should be minimised and controlled by the developer and a construction environmental management (CEMP) plan will be recommended as a condition, once we are happy that the above matters have been addressed.

Suggested Conditions N/A	
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