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Horsham
West Sussex
RH12 1RL

Your ref
DC/25/2126

Our ref
DSA000051193

Date
9th February 2026

Contact
Tel 0330 303 0119

Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Erection of a single storey detached granny annexe together with a detached single storey multipurpose workshop and gym.

Site: 5 Kingsfold Close, Billingshurst, West Sussex, RH14 9HG.

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

Existing Sewers shown on applicant's plans not in GIS

The plan provided by the developer drwg no 5930/101 shows a sewer crossing the site which is not shown on our records. An assessment of the sewer is required to determine its ownership and the impact it could have to the proposed site layout. It is possible that the sewer is now deemed to be public. To get in contact to confirm the exact position of the asset please visit;

https://www.southernwater.co.uk/media/ph4fk3pe/ds-location-of-rising-mains_pb.pdf

For information on required stand off distances from public sewers please refer to:

<https://www.southernwater.co.uk/media/st5orjvm/stand-off-distances.pdf>

Tree Planting

We have restrictions on the proposed tree planting adjacent to Southern Water sewers, rising mains or water mains. Reference should be made to Southern Water's publication "A Guide to Tree Planting near water Mains and Sewers"

(https://www.southernwater.co.uk/media/pddob0vn/ds-tree-planting-guide-1_nwm.pdf) and the Sewerage Sector Guidance (<https://www.water.org.uk/sewerage-sector-guidance-approved-documents/>) with regards to any landscaping proposals and our restrictions and maintenance of tree planting adjacent to sewers, rising mains and water mains.

Condition

In order to protect public apparatus, Southern Water requests that if consent is granted, the following pre commencement condition is attached to the planning permission; The developer must advise the local authority (in consultation with Southern Water) of the landscaping proposals in proximity of public apparatus in order to protect it in accordance with Southern Water's guidance, prior to the commencement of the development.

Proposed SUDS features

If it is the intention of the developer for Southern Water to adopt the proposed SuDS, the system shall be designed and constructed in line with the Design and Construction Guidance www.water.org.uk/sewerage-sector-guidance-approved-documents/.

No Soakaways should be connected to the public surface water sewer.

The supporting documents make reference to drainage using Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS). Where SuDS form part of a continuous sewer system, and are not an isolated end of pipe SuDS component, adoption of SuDS will be considered if requested by the developer if they comply with: Design and Construction Guidance (Appendix C), CIRIA guidance and Southern Water SuDS Guidance available here:

<https://www.water.org.uk/sewerage-sector-guidance-approved-documents/>

<https://www.ciria.org/ItemDetail?iProductCode=C753F&Category=FREEPUBS>

<https://www.southernwater.co.uk/media/l4ndl3db/suds-final-080824.pdf>

Where SuDS rely upon facilities which are not adoptable by sewerage undertakers the applicant will need to ensure that arrangements exist for the long-term maintenance of the SuDS facilities. It is critical that the effectiveness of these systems is maintained in perpetuity. Good management will avoid flooding from the proposed surface water system, which may result in the inundation of the foul sewerage system.

Thus, where a SuDS scheme is to be implemented, the drainage details submitted to the Local Planning Authority should:

- Specify the responsibilities of each party for the implementation of the SuDS scheme.
- Specify a timetable for implementation.
- Provide a management and maintenance plan for the lifetime of the development.

This should include the arrangements for adoption by any public authority or statutory undertaker and any other arrangements to secure the operation of the scheme throughout its lifetime. This initial assessment does not prejudice any future assessment or commit to any adoption agreements under Section 104 of the Water Industry Act 1991.

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. If this is not possible, please provide evidence that all other options have been explored.

We request that should this planning application receive planning approval, the following informative is attached to the consent:

Construction of the development shall not commence until details of the proposed means of foul sewerage and surface water disposal have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority in consultation with Southern Water.

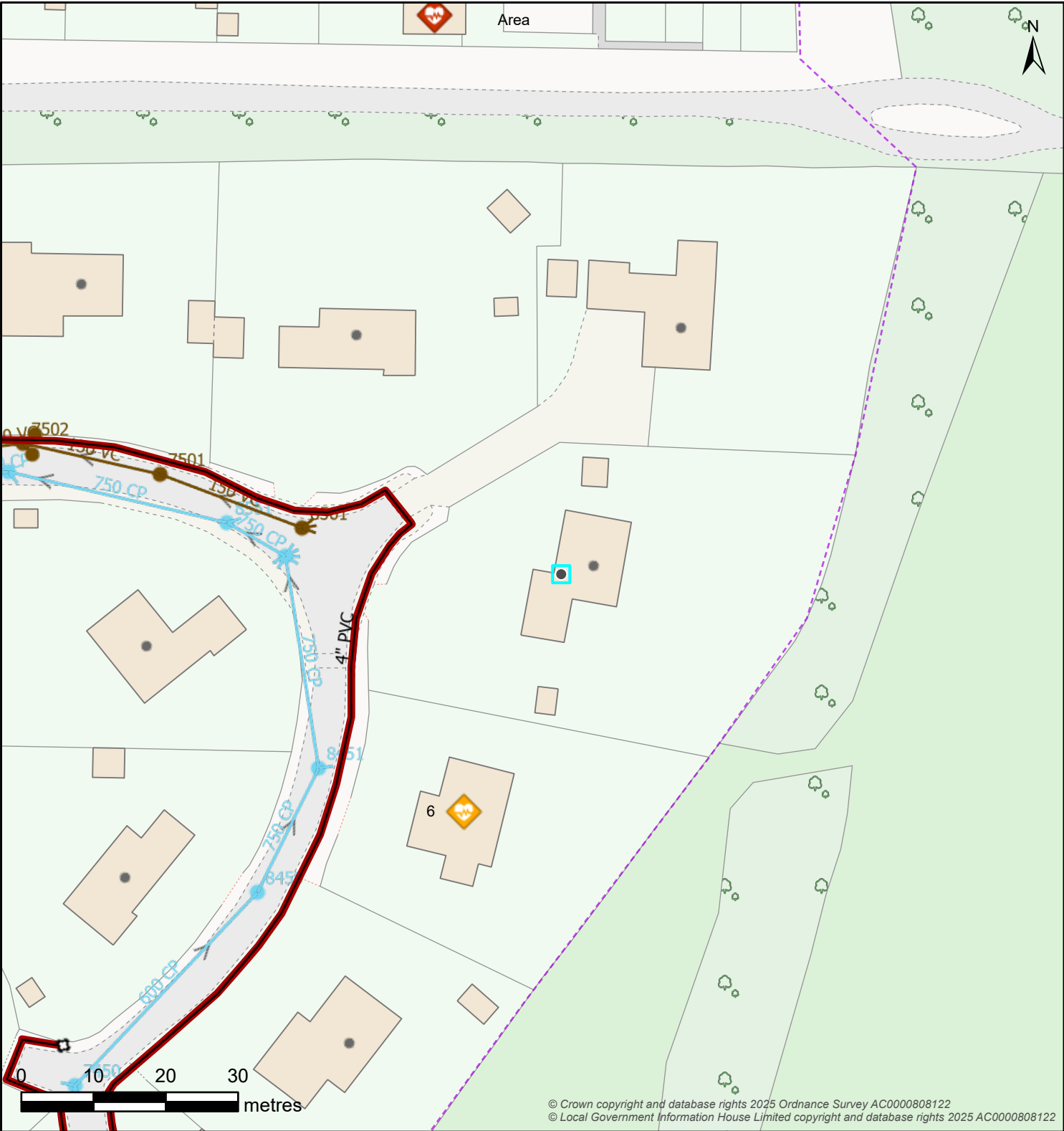
For further advice, please contact Southern Water, Southern House, Yeoman Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN13 3NX (Tel: 0330 303 0119).

Website: southernwater.co.uk or by email at: SouthernWaterPlanning@southernwater.co.uk

Yours faithfully,

Future Growth Planning Team

southernwater.co.uk/developing-building/planning-your-development



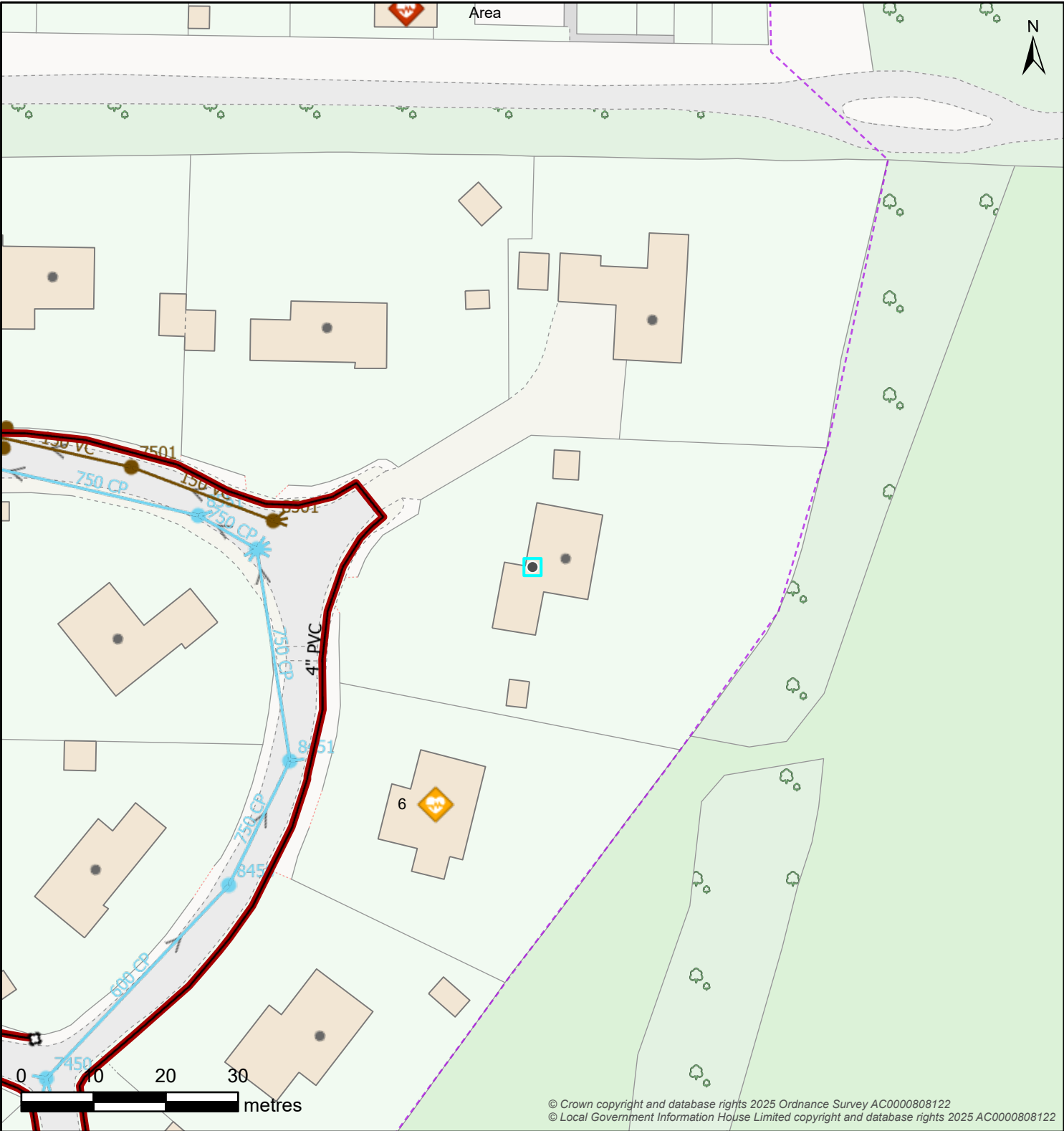
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Controllable Valve			Flow Control			Inlet-Outfall	
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Manhole							
BIF Bifurcation	Cascade	CP Catchpit	Head Of Public Sewer	IC Interceptor Chamber	Manhole	S Soakaway	WO Washout
Outfall Headworks		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	
Sewer Level Monitor	Storm Tank	Tidal Storage Tank	Treatment Works	Weir	Wastewater Site		
Wastewater Pipe				Wastewater Use		Developer Services	
Culverted Water Course	Syphon	Tank Sewer	Trunk Sewer	Foul	Combined	Build Over Agreement	Section 104
Drain	Vacuum Main	Decommissioned Pipe	Sewer	Sludge	Treated Effluent	Catchment	Sub-Catchment
Overflow				Surface Water			
Rising Main				Private			



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