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To: Planning
Cc: Sophie.Moore
Subject: RE: Planning Application Consultation - DISC/26/0323

Categories: Consultations

Good Morning,

HDC Drainage have no objection.

Please note, winter groundwater levels must be considered. There must be a distance of at least 1m between the base of the proposed soakaway and expected winter groundwater levels. It is crucial that investigations are undertaken on site prior to installation of the soakaway (during the winter period) to discover whether groundwater is present in the ground within 1m of the base of the proposed soakaway. For this reason, it is important that the dimensions of the soakaway are considered prior to testing. Use of the same trial pit as BRE365 infiltration testing is acceptable, as long as the hole is dug down further to the level of 1m below the base of the proposed soakaway. (Test results should be logged and kept by the applicant). If groundwater is acknowledged within the trial, the depth of the proposed soakaway will need to be adjusted, but the capacity of the soakaway must still be large enough to capture rainwater from the 1 in 100 year +45% for climate change event, so the dimensions of the soakaway will have to be adjusted accordingly.

Kind regards,

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Please see the attached consultation letter from Horsham District Council Re:DISC/26/0323

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