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Sent: 24 February 2025 16:27:58 UTC+00:00
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Subject: RE: DC/24/1492 Delspride

Dear Jacques,

Thank you for your response, that's very clear.

It's frustrating as we provided more information and asked if this was sufficient, then we're told that if it wasn't they would get back to us. No one did and the application was refused. As we don't intend to use any water and the troughs have all been disconnected from mains in my mind this evidently makes us water neutral.

I had explained when we had a site visit that the troughs used to fed by mains but we had changed them to be fed by rainwater which was evident as there was an IBC supplied by the gutters which was then linked to the troughs - the lady conducting the site visit didn't seem to have a clear understanding of our application as she was taking photos of my dogs in my back garden which has no relevance. She then was taking photos of our driveway for the parking, which is not where the parking for the paddock would be.

We will be submitting another application, hopefully third time lucky.

Kind regards

Olivia

-------- Original message --------
From: "Jacques.Burrowes" <Jacques.Burrowes@horsham.gov.uk>
Date: 24/02/2025 15:57 (GMT+00:00)
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Subject: DC/24/1492 Delspride

Hello Olivia,

Hope you are well. Reg has informed me that no one has been back to you regarding the water statement requirements and you are seeking an update of sorts. The reason we have requested a water statement for this application is because previous applications for dog walking facilities have had to provide this. I note your agent previously said that there was no water usage in connection with this, however the statement that was provided states:

There is an existing water supply on site, specifically two water troughs, used in connection with the agricultural grazing of the land.

As there is an existing use on site from the water troughs used in connection with agricultural grazing as stated, we would expect to see some information regarding this usage. There was no confirmation of how these troughs operate, either fed via mains or rainwater etc. or how much water is used. As such, due to previous applications of similar nature requiring water statements, and because it has not been made sufficiently clear that the proposal would not lead to an increased amount of abstraction considering the existing usage of water on the land we had to refuse the application on water grounds.

I will again ask for someone in a senior role to provide more information if they can.

If you are to submit a new application, I would recommend you outline the existing use of water on the land and prove that the new use will be lower than that of what is currently used by evidencing this in a statement. Additionally, you can disconnect troughs if fed by mains as to limit any water usage. The water statement needs to be detailed and accurate. I did provide your agent with an example statement for a similar scheme which may be of use to emulate.

Please do email me if you need any further assistance.

Best

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