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Our ref: HA/2024/126200/01
Your ref: DC/24/1299

Date: 03 October 2024

Dear Planning team (FAO: Hannah Darley),

CHANGE OF USE OF AGRICULTURAL LAND TO EQUINE AND INSTALLATION OF A STABLE BUILDING AND SAND SCHOOL FOR PRIVATE EQUINE USE.

LAND TO WEST OF HURSTON LANE, HURSTON LANE, STORRINGTON.

Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency on the above application.

We have reviewed the information as submitted and set out our position below.

Environment Agency position

We have **no objection** to the proposed development.

Advice to the Applicant

Flood Risk Activity Permit

The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 requires a permit (called a 'Flood Risk Activity Permit') to be obtained for any activities which will take place:

- On or within 8 metres of a main river (16 metres if tidal);
- On or within 8 metres of a flood defence structure or culvert (16 metres if tidal);
- On or within 16 metres of a sea defence;
- Involving quarrying or excavation within 16 metres of any main river, flood defence (including a remote defence) or culvert; and/or
- In a floodplain more than 8 metres from the river bank, culvert or flood defence structure (16 metres if it is a tidal main river) and you do not already have planning permission.

For further guidance, please visit https://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-activities-environmental-permits.

The Applicant should note that a permit is separate to and in addition to any planning permission granted. The granting of planning permission does not necessarily lead to the granting of a permit.

To enquire about the permit application process, the Applicant should contact our National Customer Contact Centre on **03708 506 506** (Monday to Friday 8am to 6pm) or by emailing enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk. We would advise the Applicant to contact us at the earliest opportunity.

If you have any queries regarding the above information, please do not hesitate to contact the advisor identified below.

Yours faithfully,

Environment Agency – Solent & South Downs

Sustainable Places Advisor: Anna Rabone
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