

Thank you for consulting Network Rail on the planning application APP/20/01031, please see our formal comments below.

Due to the close proximity of the proposed works to Network Rail's land and the operational railway, Network Rail requests the applicant / developer contacts Network Rail's Asset Protection and Optimisation (ASPRO) team via AssetProtectionWessex@networkrail.co.uk prior to works commencing. Our Asset Protection will ensure that the proposed development can be completed without any risk to the operational railway. The applicant / developer may be required to enter into an Asset Protection Agreement to get the required resource and expertise on-board to enable approval of detailed works. More information can also be obtained from our website <https://www.networkrail.co.uk/running-the-railway/looking-after-the-railway/asset-protection-and-optimisation/>.

Our Asset Protection Team (ASPRO) require the applicant to submit for ASPRO design acceptance and if needed, risk assessment & method statement (RAMS) for any work within Network Rail (NR) zone of influence such as:

- Traffic incursion risk assessment and management plan
- Drawings & RAMS for fence- based on trespassing risk assessment including that regarding access to the bridge and additional RAMS covering; drainage, vehicle incursion & vegetation management adjacent to NR boundary.
- Drawings & RAMS for drainage, landscaping works adjacent to NR boundary.

NB: No soakaways should be installed within 20m from NR boundary, bridge, embankment toe.

As well as contacting Network Rail's ASPRO Team, the applicant / developer must also follow the attached Asset Protection informatives (compliance with the informatives does not remove the need to contact ASPRO).

I trust the above is clear, however, if you require any additional information from Network Rail, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,



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