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Your ref
APP/20/00276

Our ref
PLAN-032762

Date
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Contact
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Proposed change of use, conversion and extensions, including first floor addition to block B, of existing garage blocks to create 2No. three-bedroom detached dwellings with associated car parking, bin and bike storage, reconfiguration of existing vehicular access, new gate and new fencing and boundary treatments.

Site: APP/20/00276: - Garage blocks, Willowdene Close, Havant PO9 3QP.

Thank you for your letter dated 08/04/2020.

The attached plan shows that the proposed development will lie over an existing public Surface water sewer which will not be acceptable to Southern Water. The exact position of the public surface water sewer must be determined on site by the applicant before the layout of the proposed development is finalised.

It might be possible to divert the sewer, so long as this would result in no unacceptable loss of hydraulic capacity, and the work was carried out at the developer's expense to the satisfaction of Southern Water under the relevant statutory provisions.

- The public surface water sewer requires a clearance of 3 metres on either side of the gravity sewer to protect it from construction works and to allow for future access for maintenance.
- No development or tree planting should be carried out within 3 metres of the external edge of the public gravity sewer without consent from Southern Water.
- No new soakaways should be located within 5 metres of a public sewer.
- All existing infrastructure should be protected during the course of construction works.

Please note: There is decommissioned public surface water sewer within the site.



Alternatively, the applicant may wish to amend the site layout, or combine a diversion with amendment of the site layout. If the applicant would prefer to advance these options, items above also apply.

We have restrictions on the proposed tree planting adjacent to Southern Water sewers, rising mains or water mains and any such proposed assets in the vicinity of existing planting. Reference should be made to Southern Water's publication "A Guide to Tree Planting near water Mains and Sewers" and Sewers for Adoption with regards to any landscaping proposals and our restrictions and maintenance of tree planting adjacent to sewers and rising mains and water mains.

In order to protect drainage apparatus, Southern Water requests that if consent is granted, a condition is attached to the planning permission; for example, the developer must advise the local authority (in consultation with Southern Water) of the measures which will be undertaken to divert the public sewers, prior to the commencement of the development.

Furthermore, it is possible that a sewer now deemed to be public could be crossing the development site. Therefore, should any sewer be found during construction works, an investigation of the sewer will be required to ascertain its ownership before any further works commence on site.

Southern Water requires a formal application for a connection to the public sewer to be made by the applicant or developer. We request that should this application receive planning approval, the following informative is attached to the consent:

A formal application for connection to the public sewerage system is required in order to service this development. Please read our New Connections Services Charging Arrangements documents which has now been published and is available to read on our website via the following link:
southernwater.co.uk/infrastructure-charges

The planning application form makes reference to drainage using Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDS).

Under current legislation and guidance SUDS rely upon facilities which are not adoptable by sewerage undertakers. Therefore, 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.



The disposal of surface water from this development shall follow the hierarchy within Part H3 of Building Regulations:

- a) An adequate soakaway or some other adequate infiltration system.
- b) A water course.
- c) Where neither of the above is practicable: a sewer.

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

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Yours faithfully,



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