

**From:** Driver, Jonathan  
**To:** McMurray, Rachael  
**Subject:** APP/18/00287

Rachael,

I assume that we are talking about the condition I've referred to as 'Condition 2' (Construction risk assessment, Piling). This condition was largely in response to an extremely conservative indicative pile design which recommended bearing substantially within the chalk in order to achieve absolute certainty on settlements. The proposed Vibro-Column risks short-term mobilisation of residual contaminants, but it is believed that the stream is hydraulically elevated relative to groundwater outside of winter season, and so the direct risk to controlled waters is probably very low. In this respect, the vibro-stone proposal does address the identified risks, and would be acceptable.

I am content for you to substitute Condition 2 (as ref'd in my email of 13/06/18) for one to the effect of: 'Foundations to be formed using the vibro compaction method unless otherwise approved by the local planning authority in writing'... for the same reason.

I am not sure that it is appropriate to consider omission of Condition 1 (as ref'd in my email of 13/06/18, Implementation proposed risk mitigation measures) – the proposed measures are for the protection of the building and it's occupants, and this risk is not connected with the foundation method. This condition does not have a "prior to commencement" clause, and only requires the verification documents be approved "prior to occupation". This is a bespoke condition, responding to the applicants own technical reporting, with which we agreed. The application referenced previously (the Green Frog STOR) is again materially different in terms of risk, in that the site is not routinely manned, and the plant is containerised (exists above ground, with above ground service penetrations to enclosures).

Best Regards,

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