There are high pressure pipelines in the vicinity of the proposed work.

We have sent a copy of your correspondence to our local engineer who will be in contact directly. In the meantime, SGN formally object to this planning application until such time as a detailed consultation has taken place.

Please find an extract from our mains records of the proposed work area enclosed for your guidance. This plan only shows the pipes owned by SGN in our role as a Licensed Gas Transporter (GT). Please note that privately owned gas pipes or ones owned by other GTs may be present in this area and information regarding those pipes needs to be requested from the owners. If we know of any other pipes in the area we will note them on the plans as a shaded area and/or a series of x's. The building proximity distance for the pipelines is in accordance with the recommendations of The Institution of Gas Engineers document TD/1 Edition 5.

The information shown on this plan is given without obligation or warranty and the accuracy cannot be guaranteed. Service pipes, valves, siphons, stub connections etc. are not shown but their presence should be anticipated. Your attention is drawn to the information and disclaimer on these plans. The information included on the plan is only valid for 28 days.

The pipeline in the vicinity of the proposed development is a Major Accident Hazard Pipeline as per the Pipelines Safety Regulations 1996. Please note the HSE guidance document L82: A Guide to the Pipelines Safety Regulations 1996, (http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/books/l82.htm), in particular the guidance on safety regulations 15 and 16 and the emergency plan under Regulation 25.

Please read your requirements under HSE Document: PADHI: HSE's Land Use Planning Methodology (www.hse.gov.uk/landuseplanning/padhi.pdf) for any major accident hazard pipeline.

This pipeline is also legally protected by a Deed of Servitude which restricts building and other works within the servitude area (as described in the deed).

Where additional gas pipes (low pressure, medium pressure, etc.) are within 12m from the high pressure main, please take note of the remaining guidance.

There should be no mechanical excavations taking place above or near the gas main. You should confirm the exact position of the main using hand dug trial holes.

A colour copy of these plans and the gas safety advice booklet enclosed should be passed to the senior person on site in order to prevent damage to our pipes. Damage to our pipes can be extremely dangerous for both your employees and the general public. The cost to repair our pipelines following direct or consequential damage will be charged to your organisation.

Safe digging practices in accordance with HSE publication HSG47 "Avoiding Danger from Underground Services" must be used to verify and establish the actual position of the mains, pipes, services and other apparatus on site before any mechanical plant is used. It is your responsibility to ensure that this information is provided to all relevant people (direct labour or contractors) working for you on or near gas plant.

Please ensure we are able to gain access to our gas pipes throughout the duration of your operations.

It must be stressed that both direct and consequential damage to gas plant can be dangerous both for employees and the general public and repairs to any such damage will incur a charge. All works should be carried out in such a manner that we are able to gain access to our apparatus throughout the duration of the operations.

Janet MacCuish, SHE Admin