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APP/24/00237

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Proposed gas fuelled capacity mechanism embedded generation plant to support the National Grid. A resubmission of previously approved applications (APP/21/00809) in order to secure changes to the site layout and technology following transfer of ownership of the site.

Site: APP/24/00237: - Land at Hermitage Park, Harts Farm Way, Havant, PO9 1FA.

Thank you for your letter dated 10 April 2024.

Following the review of the submitted documents, we have the below comments for the Planning consultation.

Protection of Public Apparatus

Please see the attached extract from Southern Water records showing the approximate position of our existing public foul sewer within the development site. The exact position of the public assets must be determined on site by the applicant in consultation with Southern Water before the layout of the proposed development is finalised.

Please note:

- The 160 mm public foul sewer requires a clearance of 3 metres on either side of the gravity sewers 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 soakaway, swales, ponds, watercourses or any other surface water retaining or conveying features should be located within 5 metres of a public sewer.
- All existing infrastructure should be protected during the course of construction works.

Please refer to: [Microsoft Word - DS Stand off distances V1.1NEW.docx \(southernwater.co.uk\)](#)

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.

Foul and Surface Water Drainage

Southern Water would not support the proposals for septic tank in the presence of public foul sewerage network in the close vicinity of the development site. The foul sewerage shall be disposed in accordance with Part H1 of Building Regulations hierarchy.

It may be possible for the foul flows from the proposed development to be connected to a nearby public sewer, and the applicant shall investigate this option. Southern Water requires a formal application for a connection to the public sewer to be made by the applicant or developer.

To make an application visit Southern Water's Get Connected service: [developerservices.southernwater.co.uk](#) and please read our New Connections Charging Arrangements documents which are available on our website via the following link: [southernwater.co.uk/developing-building/connection-charging-arrangements](#)

The supporting documents make reference to drainage using Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS).

Under certain circumstances SuDS will be adopted by Southern Water should this be requested by the developer. Where SuDS form part of a continuous sewer system, and are not an isolated end of pipe SuDS component, adoption will be considered if such systems comply with the latest Design and Construction Guidance (Appendix C) and CIRIA guidance available here:

[water.org.uk/sewerage-sector-guidance-approved-documents/](#)

[ciria.org/ItemDetail?iProductCode=C753F&Category=FREEPUBS](#)

Where SuDS rely upon facilities which are not adoptable by sewerage undertakers 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.



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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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