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Dear Sir

Planning Application APP/24/00405

With reference to the planning application numbered APP/24/00405 which includes works adjacent to or beneath Hampshire County Council land.

Hampshire County Council is the statutory provider of education for children and the schools affected by the works are essential for the provision of education for local children. The provision of in person education is essential to providing good quality education and meeting required standards.

The Council needs to ensure that its buildings and property are not adversely affected by the works. It therefore expects Portsmouth Water to undertake a detailed condition survey of each of its buildings and associated land potentially impacted by the proposed works. Surveys are to be agreed with the County Council prior to any works commencing. The Council expects full reinstatement of any damage caused and any associated costs arising therefrom to be borne by Portsmouth Water.

Building sites present a significant hazard and they can pose an increased risk where they are close to children who can be curious and unaware of the risks that they pose. Hazards arising from dust, noise and traffic can impact children's health and learning environment. It is essential that measures are put in place that understand the vulnerability of children attending the impacted schools and that proper and suitable mitigation measures are appropriately implemented to minimise the impact of the works on the schools, its staff and children. The Council and the schools impacted require detailed consultation on the Health and Safety arrangements to be implemented, and further request that works most disruptive to the schools are undertaken during school holidays.

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There is a significant risk from traffic, particularly at the beginning and end of the school day. To ensure that children do not encounter large construction vehicles it is essential that an appropriate traffic management plan is established which ensures children's safety, particularly at times when they are travelling to and from school. It is understood that access to the Works site and Havant Rugby Club playing fields site will be from the north via Hooks Farm Lane which is narrow and on a school access route. It is also worth highlighting that there are already considerable traffic issues on Fraser Road and additionally there is concern about increased traffic on High Lawn Way.

Hampshire County Council and the schools are looking to work with Portsmouth Water, their Consultants and Contractors to ensure that the construction works are undertaken in a safe manner and as efficiently as possible.

Yours sincerely

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