

Havant Borough Council
Development Control
Civic Offices Civic Centre Road
Havant
Hampshire
PO9 2AX

Our ref: HA/2024/125705/01-L01
Your ref: APP/24/00053
Date: 27 February 2024

Dear Planning Officer,

APPLICATION TO DETERMINE WHETHER PRIOR APPROVAL IS REQUIRED FOR THE METHOD OF DEMOLITION OF MULTI STOREY CAR PARK INCLUDING SLAB REMOVAL AND THE PROPOSED RESTORATION OF THE SITE. MULTI STOREY CAR PARK, BULBECK ROAD, HAVANT

Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency on the above application.

We have reviewed the information as submitted and set out our position below.

Environment Agency position

We have **no objection** to the proposal as submitted.

Advice to LPA/applicant

Flood risk standing advice

The proposed development falls within Flood Zone 2 and 3, which is land defined in the [planning practice guidance](#) as being at risk of flooding.

We have produced a series of standard comments for local planning authorities and planning applicants to refer to on 'lower risk' development proposals. These comments replace direct case-by-case consultation with us. This proposal falls within this category.

These standard comments are known as Flood Risk Standing Advice (FRSA). They can be viewed at <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-assessment-for-planning-applications#when-to-follow-standing-advice>

We recommend that you view our standing advice in full before making a decision on this application.

Environment Agency
Guildbourne House Chatsworth Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN11 1LD.
Customer services line: 03708 506 506
www.gov.uk/environment-agency
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Solid timber hoarding

Under section 3.4 of the *Tender Stage Method Statement* document, you refer to erecting solid timber hoarding around the perimeter of the site. As this site is in flood zones 2 and 3 (1/100-year fluvial flood events), the flow of flood waters may be obstructed by the installation of this structure. This will reduce the existing floodplain storage capacity of the site and could cause increased flood risk to adjacent properties.

We advise the applicant to consider implementing space below the timber hoarding structure to allow flood waters to inundate the site.

Signing up to flood warnings

The applicant/occupants should phone Floodline on 0345 988 1188 to register for a flood warning, or visit <https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings>. It's a free service that provides warnings of flooding from rivers, the sea and groundwater, direct by telephone, email or text message. Anyone can sign up.

Flood warnings can give people valuable time to prepare for flooding – time that allows them to move themselves, their families and precious items to safety. Flood warnings can also save lives and enable the emergency services to prepare and help communities.

For practical advice on preparing for a flood, visit <https://www.gov.uk/prepare-for-flooding>.

To get help during a flood, visit <https://www.gov.uk/help-during-flood>.

For advice on what to do after a flood, visit <https://www.gov.uk/after-flood>.

Please do not hesitate to contact me using the contact details shown below should you have any queries regarding the above information.

Yours faithfully

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Sustainable Places Planning Advisor

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