

Dear Stephen,

APP/14/00780 Repair and raise sea boundary walls and new low wall/replacement gates 66 Bath Road, Emsworth, PO10 7ES 14.1118

Thank you for consulting me on this application. In summary, I do not consider that there are any overriding ecological constraints at this site provided that appropriate pollution prevention measures are implemented.

The only potential ecological issue is the site's proximity to both Emsworth Millpond Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) and the nearby national and European designated nature conservation sites of Chichester Harbour Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) and Portsmouth Harbour Special Protection Area (SPA). As such there is a very real risk of potential pollution incidents with e.g. fuels, inorganic substances entering the water or any exposed mud during the works. It is my recommendation therefore that a section is added to the submitted Method Statement, or alternatively a condition is added to any permission, which deals explicitly with measures to avoid any pollution (direct or indirect) entering the water during construction. Any such measures should be in accordance with e.g. [Pollution Prevention Guidance](#) PPG 5 or 6.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

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