from Southern Water

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Your ref
APP/25/00900

Our ref
DSA000050320

Date
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Contact
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Proposed MOT testing station.
Site: Yacht Building Yard, Mill Rythe Lane, Hayling Island.

Thank you for your correspondence, please see our comments below regarding the above application.

Development Site is not within Southern Water's Supply Area

The development site is not located within Southern Water's statutory area for water supply services. Please contact Portsmouth Water who are the relevant statutory undertaker.

Proposed SUDS features

If it is the intention of the developer for Southern Water to adopt the proposed SuDS, the system shall be designed and constructed in line with the Design and Construction Guidance www.water.org.uk/sewerage-sector-guidance-approved-documents/

No Soakaways should be connected to the public surface water sewer.

The supporting documents make reference to drainage using Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS). Where SuDS form part of a continuous sewer system, and are not an isolated end of pipe SuDS component, adoption of SuDS will be considered if requested by the developer if they comply with: Design and Construction Guidance (Appendix C), CIRIA guidance and Southern Water SuDS Guidance available here:

https://www.water.org.uk/sewerage-sector-guidance-approved-documents/

https://www.ciria.org/ItemDetail?iProductCode=C753F&Category=FREEPUBS

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https://www.southernwater.co.uk/media/l4ndl3db/suds-final-080824.pdf

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. This initial assessment does not prejudice any future assessment or commit to any adoption agreements under Section 104 of the Water Industry Act 1991.

Proposed Development located in Flood plain

From the site location, it appears that the proposed development lies within an area identified as flood zone 3. Southern Water supports the Government's requirement to apply the sequential and exception tests to development sites located in flood zones 2 or 3. In flood events, additional surface water can inundate sewers, which may result in the overloading of the sewerage system. Southern Water will rely on the Council's consultations with the Environment Agency to ensure that any proposed development on a floodplain is appropriately assessed, and necessary mitigation measures adopted.

Condition: In view of the risk of inundation of the proposed drainage system, Southern Water would request that the consent is subject to the following condition: The proposed drainage system shall be designed and constructed to prevent the ingress of flood water into the sewerage network.

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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