

Planning Application APP/25/00351 Bedhampton Pumping Station

Hi Lesley,

I think we responded accordingly to Hampshire FRS – see attached. As a non-statutory consultee, they should have now enough information regarding the site, but if they are requesting further, please see the attached (HMRS).

PW's Catchment Team were ultimately satisfied with our responses to their objection, and that as long as they were expressly mentioned to be consulted in the appropriate condition, they would be ok with this approach. I assume they didn't formally send anything to you? I have chased.

Can you please confirm what was discussed between the Arb Officer and Consultant, as our Arb team have no recollection of a meeting onsite? If there are outstanding actions I'll chase, but I can't see any consultee response.

I have sent a chaser to Harry Mitchell, as I believe he was also happy with the ecology submission, attached, but appears did not formally acknowledge this to you.

Re: landscape, we submitted the below, which the LPA uploaded – were they asked to respond?

01/12/2025	Landscape Strategy Plan	Download (PDF, 3.8MB)
01/12/2025	Plan of Bunding Details	Download (PDF, 1.08MB)

It is my understanding the infill spoil material shall be removed (except the southern bund as we have it in the plan) by PW, as is their material. See PW response on the LPA website of 16th October 2025, which states:

Our previous comments on the Design and Access Statement have been duly addressed. We accept that 'closure' and 'surrender' of the environmental permits are outside of this application and the responsibility of Portsmouth Water to undertake 'closure' and 'surrender' of the environmental permits in accordance with the Environmental Permitting regime.

Though, the report states that *"landfill material shall be removed to create a level site for the construction of the BESS. The proposed bund to the southern boundary of the site shall remain."*

This bund is likely to either be a new bund or made from the existing landfill material. If from the existing landfill material, Portsmouth Water will work with the Environment Agency to understand what permitting requirement will be required for this.

We shall confirm our response to the LHA shortly, as are working with PW to understand their phasing.

The work to provide the EA is starting next week, so I shall keep you fully updated on the progress and submission.

If you can please confirm the above and provide any updates to your understanding of the outstanding matters that is greatly appreciated.

Many thanks,

Kind regards,

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