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**OUR REFERENCE:**  
PP- 12917182

**YOUR REFERENCE:**  
APP/25/00796

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Dear Mr Lakhan,

## **Town and Country Planning Act 1990**

### **HAVANT THICKET RESERVOIR PROJECT**

#### **APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL PLANNING CONDITIONS RELATING TO THE HAVANT THICKET PIPELINE (CONSENT APP/24/00405) - First Planning Conditions application.**

The discharge of conditions application APP/25/00796 included the details to discharge condition 25 - A full Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) and Works Area Summary – Phase 2b, which is currently being considered by the Highway Authority. The Highway Authority are also considering, in parallel, the technical detail for phase 2 under the S278 process and have received Technical Approval, which is now waiting for the appropriate legal agreement to be completed.

The CTMP also provides full details to discharge condition 24 (details of bus stop relocation and footpath diversion routes) and condition 28 (details of inclusive access and disabled parking) in section 7. However, following a review of the submitted discharge of conditions covering letter and application form, conditions 24 and 28 were omitted from the application description in error. We therefore formally request that conditions 24 and 28 are added to the description of application APP/25/00796. As the submitted CTMP already contains the information required to discharge these conditions, no further information will be submitted, and this request does not prejudice statutory consultees' consideration of the technical details.

We acknowledge that a re-consultation period with the Highway Authority will be required, and we have discussed this with Holly Drury (Highway Authority) to provide information to support their consideration of the application. For clarity, the additional proposed conditions are set out in Table 1, and Table 2 summarises the originally submitted discharge of conditions application to assist the Local Planning Authority's deliberations.

#### **Overview of the Approved Schemes**

The Havant Thicket Reservoir and Pipeline Scheme comprise:

- Havant Thicket Reservoir – the reservoir site including vehicular and pedestrian access routes, an operational control house and visitor facilities including a visitor centre, bird hide, car park and recreational walking and cycling network (now approved and under construction).
- Havant Thicket Pipeline – the pipeline corridor including the pipes and tunnels and associated infrastructure including an emergency discharge structure between the Hermitage Stream and Rider Lane Stream confluence, cross-connection infrastructure at the reservoir site, and new plant and modifications to an existing building at Bedhampton Pumping Station.

The consented reservoir, when constructed, will be filled with surplus water drawn from the springs at the Bedhampton works when flows are at their highest in winter via inlet and outlet pipes, and will provide water supplies to Portsmouth Water customers in the summer months as required. The increase in water supplies available to Portsmouth Water on completion of the scheme will also enable additional water to be supplied to Southern Water. Southern Water has a forecast deficit in water resources in the Hampshire area which has been created by the reduction of its abstraction licences on the River Itchen imposed by the Environment Agency. An agreement under Section 20 of the Water Resources Act 1991 requires them to use all best endeavours to remove this forecast deficit. Additional water made available by the Scheme will contribute towards the resources required to meet the forecast deficit.

Planning permission for a revised pipeline scheme comprising two pipelines was secured on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2025 (application ref. APP/24/00405). The planning permission is subject to planning conditions and a Section 106 Legal Agreement which commits Portsmouth Water to a series of environmental mitigation and compensation measures. For clarity the following additional pre-commencement conditions are:

**Table 1 - Summary of additional pre-commencement conditions to be discharged**

| Relevant Planning Condition | Summary of condition requirement                             | Details to be submitted                                                                                                                           |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Condition 24                | Details of Bus Stop Relocation and Footpath Diversion Routes | Full CTMP for Phase 2b, which has been submitted to the Local Planning Authority – Document reference:<br><br>HTR-WAB-PI-W2-PL-W-0001 Rev: A5.C02 |
| Condition 28                | Details Inclusive Access and Disabled Parking                | Full CTMP for Phase 2b, which has been submitted to the Local Planning Authority – Document reference:<br><br>HTR-WAB-PI-W2-PL-W-0001 Rev: A5.C02 |
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**Table 2 - Summary of original pre-commencement conditions to be discharged**

| Relevant Planning Condition | Summary of condition requirement                             | Details to be submitted                                                                                | Status           |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Condition 24                | Details of Bus Stop Relocation and Footpath Diversion Routes | Full CTMP for Phase 2b, which has been submitted to the Local Planning Authority – Document reference: | To be discharged |

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|              |                                                                                                                                                                       | HTR-WAB-PI-W2-PL-W-0001<br>Rev: A5.C02                      |                  |
| Condition 6  | Community Liaison Plan (CLP) must be submitted and approved in writing prior to development taking place, and implemented in full throughout the construction period. | Community Liaison Plan for all phases.                      | To be discharged |
| Condition 20 | A Pollution Management and Mitigation Plan must be submitted and approved prior to each Phase of the development.                                                     | Pollution Management and Mitigation Plan for Phase 2 and 3. | To be discharged |
| Condition 25 | A full Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) and Works Area Summary must be submitted and approved prior to commencement of any phase of development.           | Full CTMP for Phase 2b.                                     | To be discharged |
| Condition 26 | An updated Framework Construction Traffic Management Plan (fCTMP) must be submitted and approved prior to the commencement of development.                            | Updated fCTMP for all phases of the development.            | To be discharged |
| Condition 33 | Details of work areas and compounds must be provided prior to work commencing at each compounds works area.                                                           | Details of work areas and compounds for Phase 2b and 3.     | To be discharged |
| Condition 38 | A detailed phasing plan for the development must be submitted and approved prior to the commencement of development.                                                  | Phasing Plan for all phases of the development.             | To be discharged |

This project is an established key strategic regional project providing much needed water supplies to the area, all the work that we have undertaken together is contingent on enabling the development to commence. We trust that the enclosed submission provides the information required for the Local Planning Authority to additionally consider the of discharge of conditions 24 and 28, together with the originally submitted condition 6, 20, 25, 26, 33 and 38. However, if you require further information, or have any queries regarding the application, please do not hesitate to contact me on 020 7088 8512, or [lewis.oliver@atkinsrealis.com](mailto:lewis.oliver@atkinsrealis.com).

Yours sincerely,  
For and on behalf of Portsmouth Water



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