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Sent: 14 August 2026 15:18
To: Planning Services; Narinder Lakhan
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Subject: FORMAL RESPONSE DISCH COND2@2026 08 14: (NH/26/17413) Consultation Request for APP/26/00574 Havant Thicket, adjacent to Sir George Staunton Country Park, Middle Park Way, Havant

For the attention of: Narinder Lakhan, East Hampshire District Council; Havant Borough Council

Site: Havant Thicket, adjacent to Sir George Staunton Country Park, Middle Park Way, Havant PO9 4NX

Proposal: Application for approval of all Reserved Matters (siting, scale, external appearance, and landscaping) relating to Phase 9 (North West Corner and Visitor Centre) of the Havant Thicket Reservoir development pursuant to Condition 2 of the S73 consent planning reference APP/24/00312 dated 6th December 2024.

Your Reference No: APP/26/00574

Our Ref No: NH/26/17413

Dear Narinder,

Thank you for your e-mail dated 5 August 2026 consulting us on the above.

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We will be concerned with proposals that have the potential to impact on the safe and efficient operation of the SRN, in case of this proposal, the A3(M) and A27.

We note that this application is seeking to discharge Cond.2 (Reserved matters) for Phase 9 (North West Corner and Visitor Centre) relating to planning permission ref. APP/24/00312.

We have reviewed information available on your planning portal, and we are satisfied that the proposals will not materially impact safety, reliability and / or operation of the SRN (based on the tests set out in DfT Circular 01/2022 and DLUHC NPPF 2023) and we offer 'No Objections'.

Regards

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