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OUR REFERENCE:
PP- 15153911

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).

AtkinsRéalis hereby submits the Fourth Conditions Application to Havant Borough Council (HBC) on behalf of Portsmouth Water for the approval of Planning Conditions relating to Planning Permission (reference APP/24/00405) for a new Havant Thicket Reservoir Pipeline scheme.

The application PP-15153911 includes the details to discharge the following conditions:

- Condition 8 – Surface Water Drainage (SUDS) & Drainage Management – Discharge of Phase 3, and partial discharge of Phase 4 (specifically the ED element of Phase 4);
- Condition 24 – Details of Bus Stop Relocation and Footpath Diversion Routes – Discharge of Phase 3.
- Condition 25 – Submission of Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP) – Discharge of Phase 3.
- Condition 28 – Details Inclusive Access and Disabled Parking – Discharge of Phase 3.
- Condition 33 – Details of Works Areas / Compounds – Discharge of Phase 3.

The application has been submitted to HBC electronically via the Planning Portal, Reference Number PP-15153911 (Discharge of Conditions).

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 22nd 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. The pre-commencement conditions which are the subject of this discharge application are:

Table 2 - Summary of pre-commencement conditions to be discharged

Relevant Planning Condition	Summary of condition requirement	Details to be submitted
Condition 8	No development shall commence within a Phase until a detailed surface water drainage scheme for that Phase, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.	Drainage Management Plan (Document reference: HTR-WAB-PI-ZZ-PL-W-0011)
Condition 24	Prior to the closure of any bus stops and roads, details shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, of alternative temporary bus stop locations and pedestrian and vehicular diversions and walking routes, to include provision for fencing adjacent to the Hermitage Stream, and construction details of any diverted routes.	CTMP (Document reference: HTR-WAB-PI-W4-PL-W-0001)
Condition 25	Prior to commencement of any phase of development a full CTMP in accordance with the framework CTMP and Works Area Summary shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority (in consultation with Hampshire County Council as local highways authority).	CTMP (Document reference: HTR-WAB-PI-W4-PL-W-0001)

Condition 28	Prior to any public use of any temporary footpaths and permanent footpath diversions, including the closure and reprovision of any disabled parking bays, details shall be submitted and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority of a scheme indicating the provision to be made within that phase for people with disabilities.	CTMP (Document reference: HTR-WAB-PI-W4-PL-W-0001)
Condition 33	Notwithstanding the details provided with the works areas Works Area Summary (ref HTR-WAB-PI-ZZ-TN-W-0006 Rev P03), details of each compound works area location shall be provided prior to works commencing.	Site Compound Details (Document reference: HTR-WAB-PI-ZZ-RP-W-0018)

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 consider the discharge of conditions 8, 24, 25, 28 and 33.

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.

Yours sincerely,
For and on behalf of Portsmouth Water



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