



from  
**Southern  
Water**

Planning and Development Services  
Arun District Council  
Arun Civic Centre  
Maltravers Road  
Littlehampton  
West Sussex  
BN17 5LF

Your ref  
AL/27/20/PL

Our ref  
PLAN-032745

Date  
22/05/2020



Dear Sir/Madam,

**Proposal:** Demolition of the existing dwelling & construction of 2 No. 2-bed, 3 No. 3- bed & 4 No. 4 bed houses including access, landscaping & associated works (resubmission following AL/51/19/PL).

**Site:** AL/27/20/PL: - Springfield, Hook lane, Aldingbourne, PO20 3TE.

Thank you for your letter dated 20/04/2020.

Southern Water requires a formal application for a connection to the public foul sewer to be made by the applicant or developer. We request that should this application receive planning approval, the following informative is attached to the consent:

A formal application for connection to the public sewerage system is required in order to service this development, please read our New Connections Services Charging Arrangements documents which is available to read on our website via the following link:

[southernwater.co.uk/developing-building/connection-charging-arrangements](https://southernwater.co.uk/developing-building/connection-charging-arrangements)

The planning application form makes reference to drainage using Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDS).

Under current legislation and guidance SUDS rely upon facilities which are not adoptable by sewerage undertakers. Therefore, 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.

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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.

The Council's technical staff and the relevant authority for land drainage consent should comment on the adequacy of the proposals to discharge surface water to the local watercourse.

The Council's Building Control officers or technical staff should be asked to comment on the adequacy of soakaways to dispose of surface water from the proposed development.

We request that should this application receive planning approval, the following condition is attached to the consent: "Construction of the development shall not commence until details of the proposed means of foul and surface water sewerage disposal have been submitted to, and approved in writing by, the Local Planning Authority in consultation with Southern Water."

Due to surface water inundation issues in the Lidsey Catchment the applicant is advised to adopt, where appropriate, the measures in the table "Practical measures to reduce the potential impacts of development". Developer should look to protect the public sewerage system from inundation and infiltration, which contribute to flooding in unfavourable conditions.

It is possible that a sewer now deemed to be public could be crossing the development site. Therefore, should any sewer be found during construction works, an investigation of the sewer will be required to ascertain its ownership before any further works commence on site.

For further advice, please contact Southern Water, Southern House, Yeoman Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN13 3NX (Tel: 0330 303 0119).

Yours faithfully,

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