

Engineers Comments Regarding Surface Water Drainage

Application Reference:	A/183/25/DOC	Reviewer Reference:	ADC/EXT5/AF
Planning Officer:	Harry Chalk	Date of Review:	23/12/2025
Site Name:	Land north of Mayflower Way Angmering		
Application Description:	Approval of details reserved by condition imposed under A/122/23/PL relating to condition 11-surface water drainage.		
Assessment Number:	1		

Policy and Guidance Information

Arun District Council Surface Water Drainage Guidance (including design checklists) - <https://www.arun.gov.uk/surfacewater>

Land Drainage Consent – <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/fire-emergencies-and-crime/dealing-with-extreme-weather/flooding/flood-risk-management/ordinary-watercourse-land-drainage-consent/>

Arun District Council Land Drainage Byelaws - <https://www.arun.gov.uk/byelaws/>

Arun District Council surface water pre-commencement conditions - <https://www.arun.gov.uk/planning-pre-commencement-conditions>

The National Standards for SuDS - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-standards-for-sustainable-drainage-systems/national-standards-for-sustainable-drainage-systems-suds>

The SuDs Manual [C753] by CIRIA

Response	Condition 11: Objection
-----------------	--------------------------------

References

The NPPF states that when determining any planning application, local planning authorities should ensure that flood risk is not increased elsewhere (paragraph 181, 182 and 187e). The PPG guides local planning authorities to refer to 'Sustainable drainage systems: non-statutory technical standards' [NsTS] and detailed industry guidance like The SuDS Manual [C753] by CIRIA to guide decisions about the design, maintenance, and operation of sustainable drainage systems for non-major development.

The NsTS have been superseded by the National Standards for Sustainable Drainage Systems [NSfS] from 19 June 2025.

This consultation has been primarily informed by the NSfS and The SuDS Manual.

Summary

This summary highlights if critical items aligning with each of the standards have been met. Critical items are highlighted in **bold** on our surface water drainage design checklist (linked above). A failure to address these will result in an **objection** to any application to discharge a surface water drainage design condition.

If any of these items are inadequately addressed by the submission, then their correction may result in a redesign of the surface water drainage scheme. A redesign is likely to have site wide implications such as the potential for storage structures to increase in volume or plan area, or the provision of other important infrastructure to satisfy the NSfS set out below.

All relevant items on the checklist are expected to be met before an application to discharge an application to discharge a SuDS design condition is supported.

Our response and requirements are elaborated upon or condensed within an attached comment tracker where necessary. If a comment tracker is provided a designer is encouraged to refer to this and respond to comments to aid further review. Please request a .docx version of this document to by email to land.drainage@arun.gov.uk if needed.

Standard	Assessment	Response
1. Runoff destination	Compliant	No objection
2. Interception drainage	Compliant	No objection
3. Extreme Rainfall and Flooding	Insufficient	Objection
4. Water Quality	Compliant	No objection
5. Amenity	N/A	
6. Biodiversity	N/A	
7. Construction, operation, maintenance, decommissioning and structural integrity	Insufficient	Further information required

Reviewed Plans

The following documents have been submitted and reviewed to inform this consultation with reference to surface water drainage:

- DISCHARGE OF CONDITION 11
- SuDS DESIGN CHECKLIST

Condition wording

Condition 11 is worded as follows:

"Development shall not commence, other than works of site survey and investigation, until full details of the proposed surface water drainage scheme have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The design should follow the hierarchy of preference for different types of surface water drainage disposal systems as set out in Approved Document H of the Building Regulations, and the recommendations of the SuDS Manual produced by CIRIA. Design considerations must take full account of the 'Supplementary Requirements for Surface Water Drainage Proposals' produced by Arun District Council,

and are an overriding factor in terms of requirements. Winter groundwater monitoring to establish highest annual ground water levels and winter percolation testing to BRE 365, or similar approved, will be required to support the design of any infiltration drainage. No building / No part of the extended building shall be occupied until the complete surface water drainage system serving the property has been implemented in accordance with the agreed details and the details so agreed shall be maintained in good working order in perpetuity.

Reason: To ensure that the proposed development is satisfactorily drained in accordance with policies W SP1, W DM1, W DM2 and W DM3 of the Arun Local Plan. This is required to be a pre-commencement condition because it is necessary to implement the surface water drainage system prior to commencing any building works"

Consultation comments to the planning officer

1. Please see the attached comment tracker for detailed comments relating to the submission.

Drainage Impact on Other Planning Matters

This application has been assessed with regards to surface water drainage design only, together with land drainage aspects if deemed necessary.

Other planning matters occasionally effect the surface water drainage design. If plans relating to other matters have been assessed for their impact on the proposed drainage, then it must not be assumed that they have been assessed for any other purpose. The planning officer is advised to check for conflicts with any existing approved plans and to consult any relevant consultees as appropriate.

It has been identified that the following consultees may have comments about the plans that have been submitted and reviewed for this application:

- ☐ Landscaping officer (proposed trees and landscaping)
- ☐ Tree officer (existing trees)
- ☐ Environment Agency (main rivers and fluvial/tidal flood risk, River Arun internal drainage board, groundwater source protection zones)
- ☐ Southern Water (foul drainage and surface water disposal to public sewer network/groundwater source protection zones)
- ☐ Portsmouth Water (groundwater source protection zones)
- ☐ Lead local flood authority (all other sources of flooding and ordinary watercourses)
- ☐ Other: Specify
- ☒ None

Application Reference: A/183/25/DOC Site Name: Land north of Mayflower Way Angmering	Initial Issue Date: 23/12/2025 Issue Date: 23/12/2025 Reviewer Reference: ADC/EXT5/AF
---	---

Summary and Recommendation:

Condition 11: **Objection**

Please note: Any DOC application should only have a maximum of two consultation responses. If this is the second response for an open application and there are still comments outstanding, then please object to the application.

	ADC Drainage Comments	Designer Response			
Date:	23/12/2025				
Condition Number: 11					
Comment Number					
1.	The factor of safety for the base infiltration rate should be increased in accordance with the NSfS.				
2.	The paved area around the house is impermeable and appears to drain towards the permeable pavement but is excluded from the drained area.				
3.	The half drain time for the 3/3AEP+CCA storm should be demonstrated to be less than 24 hours based upon the entire drained area.				
4.	The drainage layout should show a Stage 4 Technical Design rather than Planning Strategy Plan and include full levels design. The layout				

	should show the permeable pavement base levels rather than depths.				
5.	The MMP should be a final version standalone document and not interim attached to the discharge of conditions report. The drainage plans should be appended together with a proforma inspection and maintenance checklist.				

If a designer would like a .docx version of this document to aid administration of responses, please request this by email to land.drainage@arun.gov.uk.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Arun District Council, Civic Centre, Maltravers Rd
Littlehampton, West Sussex, BN17 5LF
www.arun.gov.uk

To register to receive notification of planning applications in your area please go to
<https://www1.arun.gov.uk/planning-application-finder>



Our priorities...



Improving the wellbeing of Arun



Delivering the right homes in the right places



Supporting our environment to support us



Fulfilling Arun's economic potential




From: Paul Cann <Paul.Cann@arun.gov.uk>
Sent: 24 December 2025 10:27
To: Planning.Responses <Planning.Responses@arun.gov.uk>
Cc: Land Drainage <Land.Drainage@arun.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Planning Consultation on: A/183/25/DOC

Please find enclosed our external consultants response.

Regards

Paul Cann

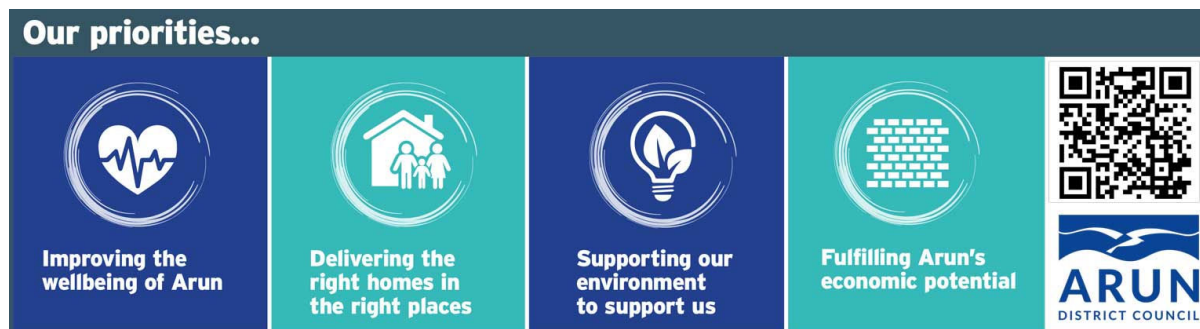
Principal Drainage Engineer, Coastal Engineers and Flood Prevention

T: 01903 737819

E: paul.cann@arun.gov.uk

Arun District Council, Civic Centre, Maltravers Rd
Littlehampton, West Sussex, BN17 5LF

www.arun.gov.uk



From: Planning.Responses <Planning.Responses@arun.gov.uk>

Sent: 12 December 2025 09:04

To: Land Drainage <Land.Drainage@arun.gov.uk>

Subject: Planning Consultation on: A/183/25/DOC

To: **Engineers (Drainage)**

NOTIFICATION FROM ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

Application No: A/183/25/DOC

Registered: 11th December 2025

Site Address: Land north of Mayflower Way Angmering

Description of Works: Approval of details reserved by condition imposed under A/122//23/PL relating to condition 11-surface water drainage.

The Council have received the above application to discharge conditions. I shall be pleased to receive any observations you may wish to make in respect of those conditions relating to your field of expertise.

[Click here to view the Discharge of Condition application and view the documents](#) The website is updated once a day in the evening, so you may need to wait until the day after this notification to view the documents.

[Click here to view the original application and decision notice](#)

Should you wish to make any comments click on the link and click into ?Enter Comment? or if this is not possible email your response to planning.responses@arun.gov.uk by **28th December 2025**.

Please be aware that any comments you may make will be available on our website so please do not insert personal details or signatures on your reply.

In the absence of a reply within the period stated, I shall assume that you have no observations to make.

Yours sincerely

Harry Chalk

Planning Case Officer- Arun District Council

Telephone: 01903 737577

Email: harry.chalk@arun.gov.uk

PLCONDOC (ODB) 2020