

Planning and Development Services
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Dear Sir

Outline application for demolition of all existing buildings/structures & redevelopment with up to 100 dwellings (including up to 40 affordable homes) together with associated open space, landscaping & access improvements
Angels & Hyde Nurseries Yapton Road Barnham PO22 0AY
BN/27/09/

Further to our letter of 22/02/2010, I write to confirm that following our recent meeting, Southern Water is of the opinion that an objection to the proposed development cannot be sustained. Our view is therefore that, subject to ensuring through appropriate conditions, the connection of foul sewerage from the proposed development to an agreed location on the public sewerage network and that there is no possibility of surface or ground water entering the foul sewer, under all storm conditions, a conditional consent, subject to all other planning considerations, would be allowable.

Southern Water is currently investigating the difficulties being experienced in the area, which are due to infiltration into, mainly private, drainage systems in the upper reaches of the Lidsey Wastewater treatment Works catchment and inundation of the sewerage network from the adjacent watercourses in the lower reaches of the catchment, occurring only at times of exceptionally high ground water levels. Whilst investigations are taking place, a Surface Water Management Plan is required to investigate the potential solutions to the problems and funding will be required to provide the identified solutions. Southern Water cannot at this time give a timescale to the completion of the necessary investigations and improvement works to relieve the current situation. It is likely that a multi-agency solution will be necessary, requiring co-operation between Southern Water, the Highway Authority, Environmental Health, the Internal Drainage Board, the Environment Agency and others. Your assistance will be appreciated in due course. It is essential that all relevant agencies do co-operate in resolving the issue.

ATKINS LTD, for Southern Water