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Subject: FW: Arun DC - Pollards Nursery Barnham

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Thanks

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 May 2017 16:13
To: David Innes; PlanningSSD
Cc: Hyland, Hannah
Subject: RE: Arun DC - Pollards Nursery Barnham

Hi David,

I can confirm that the EA were in discussion with Redrow Homes late 2016/early 2017 when they applied for a permit for a package treatment plant to serve this development. We explained that a private package plant was not acceptable in a sewered area and urged them to pursue a mains connection. They asked if we would permit a smaller package plant for 15 properties and we said the same principles applied so they withdrew their application on 21st Feb 2017.

They then asked if we would object to them using cess pits for 15 properties which I believe they had sold and which were due for occupation in June. As there would be no discharge directly to the environment we didn't feel able to object but sent the following reply:

"Thank you for your call earlier today. After brief discussions within the Environment Agency we have concluded that we have no objection in this case to your proposed solution of collecting the sewage effluent from the 15 houses that you have prospective occupiers for and tankering it away to treatment off-site. It should be noted that this should only be considered a short term solution to the issue of sewage disposal whilst agreement is sought to a longer-term sustainable solution. As tankering away is not sustainable and goes against the EA connection hierarchy and the Planning & Building Regulations hierarchy of foul connections, this particular solution does not set a

precedent for other sites. We also note, and appreciate, your agreement to halt house sales on the development until a way forward is agreed so that the problem is not exacerbated by the addition of more residents.

Please could you send us details of which Wastewater Treatment Works the sewage will be transported to for our records."

The developer should fully investigate connection to mains foul sewerage, either via the statutory sewerage undertaker (Southern Water) or via an OFWAT appointed sewerage undertaker (NAV). (Info on NAVs is available on the OFWAT website)

Hannah may wish to follow up my comments with a formal response when she's back in next week.

Regards

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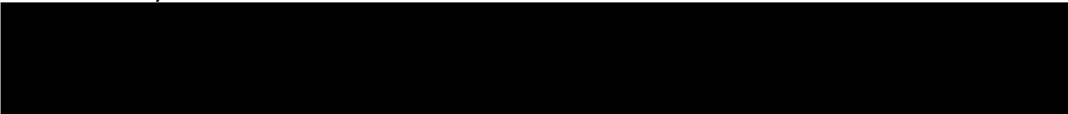


DO YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO?



From: David Innes [<mailto:David.Innes@arun.gov.uk>]

Sent: 19 May 2017 14:49



Subject: Arun DC - Pollards Nursery Barnham

Importance: High

The Environment Agency have yet to make comments on applications where I am now the case officer. These include:

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BN/19/16/PL
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BN/51/16/RES
BN/52/16/RES

All these applications relate to the same development by Redrow homes at Lake Lane, Barnham.

I now require your comments urgently as the developer is building properties under an existing consent and there is no agreed means of foul drainage.

The development proposes that foul drainage is to be a package treatment works in the centre of the site within a few metres of residential properties.

Can you call me with an indication of your initial views which can then be followed up in writing. I am told by Clare Potts who met with the EA recently that package treatment works would not be accepted by the EA. If this is the case I need your written comments in order that Redrow can be informed.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

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