

WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION

TO:	Arun District Council FAO: Simon Davis
FROM:	WSCC – Lead Local Flood Authority
DATE:	8th June 2021
LOCATION:	26 Burnham Avenue Bognor Regis PO21 2JU
SUBJECT:	BR/129/21/OUT Outline application with all matters reserved for up to 10 No. new dwellings with associated services, landscaping, car parking & amenity (resubmission following BR/190/20/OUT)
RECOMMENDATION:	Advice – More information

West Sussex County Council (WSCC), in its capacity as the Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA), has been consulted on the above proposed development in respect of surface water drainage.

The following is the comments of the LLFA relating to surface water drainage and flood risk for the proposed development and any associated observations, recommendations and advice.

Flood Risk Summary

Current surface water flood risk based on 30year and 100year events	Low risk
Comments: Current surface water mapping shows that the proposed site is at low risk from surface water flooding. This risk is based on modelled data only and should not be taken as meaning that the site will/will not definitely flood in these events. Any existing surface water flow paths across the site should be maintained and mitigation measures proposed for areas at high risk. Reason: NPPF paragraph 163 states – ‘When determining any planning application, local planning authorities should ensure flood risk is not increased elsewhere.’	

Modelled groundwater flood hazard classification	High risk
Comments: The area of the proposed development is shown to be at high risk from groundwater flooding based on current mapping. This risk is based on modelled data only and should not be taken as meaning that the site will/will not suffer groundwater flooding. Ground water contamination and Source Protection Zones. The potential for ground water contamination within a source protection zone has not been considered by the LLFA. The LPA should consult with the EA if this is considered as risk.	

Ordinary watercourses nearby?	No
Comments: Current Ordnance Survey mapping shows no ordinary watercourses running near the site.	

Records of any surface water flooding within the site?	No
Comments: We do not have any records of surface water flooding within the confines of the proposed site. This should not be taken that this site has never suffered from flooding, only that it has never been reported to the LLFA.	

Future development - Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS)

As with previous applications for this site, no FRA/Drainage Strategy has been included with this application. The Application Form states that the surface water from the site will be disposed of via 'soakaway' and 'Sustainable drainage system'.

The disposal of surface water via infiltration/soakaway should be shown to have been investigated through an appropriate assessment in consultation with the District Drainage Engineer.

Please note that Schedule 3 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 has not yet been implemented and WSCC does not currently expect to act as the SuDS Approval Body (SAB) in this matter.

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