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SO21 2SW

Your Ref  
BR/324/17/PL  
Our Ref  
PLAN-023717  
Date  
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Dear Sirs,

**Proposal: Residential Development: restoration of 2 houses and attached commercial annexe to pair of semi-detached houses, replacement of bungalow with pair of semi-detached houses, development of land to rear for eight flats (6 x 2 bed & 2 x 1 bed).**

**Site: 283-285a Chichester Road, Bognor Regis, PO21 5AH.**  
**BR/324/17/PL**

Thank you for your letter of 29/06/2018.

Please find attached a plan of the sewer records showing the approximate position of foul and surface water sewer crossing the site. The exact position of the foul and surface water sewers must be determined on site by the applicant before the layout of the proposed development is finalised.

It might be possible to divert the sewers, so long as this would result in no unacceptable loss of hydraulic capacity, and the work was carried out at the developer's expense to the satisfaction of Southern Water under the relevant statutory provisions.

Should the applicant wish to divert apparatus:

1. The surface water sewer requires a clearance of 3 metres either side of the sewer to protect it from construction works and allow for future access for maintenance.
2. The foul sewer requires a clearance of 3 metres either side of the sewer to protect it from construction works and allow for future access for maintenance.

3. No development or new tree planting should be located within 3 metres either side of the external edge of the surface water sewer.
4. No development or new tree planting should be located within 3 metres either side of the external edge of the foul sewer.
5. No soakaways, swales, ponds, watercourses or any other surface water retaining or conveying features should be located within 5 metres of a public sewers.
6. All other existing infrastructure should be protected during the course of construction works.

Alternatively, the applicant may wish to amend the site layout, or combine a diversion with amendment of the site layout. If the applicant would prefer to advance these options, items (1) – (6) above also apply.

Reference should be made to Southern Water publication "A Guide to Tree Planting near water Mains and Sewers" with regards to any Landscaping proposals.

Furthermore, due to changes in legislation that came in to force on 1st October 2011 regarding the future ownership of sewers it is possible that a sewer now deemed to be public could be crossing the above property. Therefore, should any sewer be found during construction works, an investigation of the sewer will be required to ascertain its condition, the number of properties served, and potential means of access before any further works commence on site.

The applicant is advised to discuss the matter further with Southern Water, Sparrowgrove House, Sparrowgrove, Otterbourne, Hampshire SO21 2SW [REDACTED] or [www.southernwater.co.uk](http://www.southernwater.co.uk).

In order to divert drainage apparatus, Southern Water requests that if consent is granted, a condition is attached to the planning permission. For example "The developer must advise the local authority (in consultation with Southern Water) of the measures which will be undertaken to divert the public sewers, prior to the commencement of the development."

Our initial investigations indicate that Southern Water can provide foul sewage disposal to service the proposed development. Southern Water requires a formal application for a connection to the public 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 contact Southern Water, Sparrowgrove House, Sparrowgrove, Otterbourne, Hampshire SO21 2SW [REDACTED] or [www.southernwater.co.uk](http://www.southernwater.co.uk). Please read our New Connections Services Charging

Arrangements documents which has now been published and is available to read on our website via the following link <https://beta.southernwater.co.uk/infrastructure-charges>.

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. 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 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 the vibration and noise generated by all types of pumping stations and the potential odour generated by sewage pumping stations, no habitable rooms shall be located closer than 15 metres to the boundary of the existing pumping station.

Yours sincerely,



Luis Silva  
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