

Arun District Council
Development Control
1, Arun Civic Centre Maltravers Road
Littlehampton
West Sussex
BN17 5LF

Our ref: HA/2020/122802/02-L01
Your ref: BR/292/20/PL
Date: 27 January 2021

Dear Sir/Madam,

AMENDED PLANS AND CHANGE OF DESCRIPTION - ERECTION OF TEMPORARY BUILDINGS TO ACCOMMODATE PERFORMANCE STAGE AND SEATING FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO 3 YEARS

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Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency in regard to the above application following the submission of amended plans.

We have reviewed the plans and have no additional comments to make. Our previous response dated 22 December 2020 (our ref; HA/2020/122802/02) still stands, and this is copied below for ease of reference:

“Environment Agency Position

*We have reviewed the application and have **no objection** to the proposal as submitted.*

Advice to Local Planning Authority/Applicant

Flood resistance and resilience

We strongly recommend the use of flood resistance and resilience measures. Physical barriers, raised electrical fittings and special construction materials are just some of the ways you can help reduce flood damage.

To find out which measures will be effective for this development, please contact your building control department. In the meantime, if you'd like to find out more about reducing flood damage, visit the Flood Risk and Coastal Change pages of the planning practice guidance. The following documents may also be useful:
Department for Communities and Local Government: Preparing for floods
<http://www.planningportal.gov.uk/uploads/odpm/4000000009282.pdf>
Department for Communities and Local Government: Improving the flood performance of new buildings: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/flood-resilient-construction-of-new-buildings>

Flood warning and emergency response

We do not normally comment on or approve the adequacy of flood emergency response procedures accompanying development proposals, as we do not carry out these roles during a flood. Our involvement with this development during an emergency will be limited to delivering flood warnings to occupants/users covered by our flood warning network.

The planning practice guidance (PPG) to the National Planning Policy Framework states that, in

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determining whether a development is safe, the ability of residents and users to safely access and exit a building during a design flood and to evacuate before an extreme flood needs to be considered. One of the key considerations to ensure that any new development is safe is whether adequate flood warnings would be available to people using the development.

In all circumstances where warning and emergency response is fundamental to managing flood risk, we advise local planning authorities to formally consider the emergency planning and rescue implications of new development in making their decisions. As such, we recommend you consult with your emergency planners and the emergency services to determine whether the proposals are safe in accordance with the guiding principles of the PPG.

The applicant/occupants should phone Floodline on [REDACTED] to register for a flood warning, or visit <https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings>. It's a free service that provides warnings of flooding from rivers, the sea and groundwater, direct by telephone, email or text message. Anyone can sign up.

Flood warnings can give people valuable time to prepare for flooding – time that allows them to move themselves, their families and precious items to safety. Flood warnings can also save lives and enable the emergency services to prepare and help communities.

For practical advice on preparing for a flood, visit <https://www.gov.uk/prepare-for-flooding>. To get help during a flood, visit <https://www.gov.uk/help-during-flood>. For advice on what to do after a flood, visit <https://www.gov.uk/after-flood>."

Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Sophie Brown
Sustainable Places Planning Advisor

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