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BN17 5LF

Our ref: HA/2013/115080/01-L01
Your ref: FG/128/13
Date: 11 December 2013

Dear Neil

ALTERATIONS AND CHANGE OF USE OF BUILDINGS B THROUGH TO K FROM EQUESTRIAN/AGRICULTURAL TO ANIMAL RESCUE CENTRE. HANGLETON FARM - LOT 2 HANGLETON LANE FERRING WORTHING BN12 6PP

Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency on the above planning application. We have reviewed the application in relation to flood risk and water quality.

Environment Agency Position

The site is located within Flood Zone 1 defined as having a low probability of flooding. We also note that the arrangements for foul drainage will be unchanged. I can therefore confirm we have no objections to the proposal as submitted. We recommend the following planning conditions relating to contaminated land are included on any planning permission granted:

Condition 1

If, during development, contamination not previously identified is found to be present at the site then no further development (unless otherwise agreed in writing with the local planning authority) shall be carried out until the developer has submitted a remediation strategy to the local planning authority detailing how this unsuspected contamination shall be dealt with and obtained written approval from the local planning authority. The remediation strategy shall be implemented as approved.

Reasons

To ensure that if any contamination is identified during the construction works, it is fully characterised and assessed to prevent development from contributing to or being put at unacceptable risk from unacceptable levels water pollution.

The site lies above the Lewes Nodular Chalk formation which is designated a Principal aquifer.

Condition 2

The development hereby permitted shall not be commenced until such time as a scheme to dispose of surface water has been submitted to, and approved in writing by, the local planning authority. The scheme shall be implemented as approved.

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Guildbourne House Chatsworth Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN11 1LD.
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Reasons

To ensure that surface water drainage from the proposed development does not result in a deterioration of groundwater quality in accordance with the NPPF.

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Advice to applicant

We would like to refer the applicant to 'Groundwater Protection: Principles and Practice', available from www.environment-agency.gov.uk. This sets out our position for a wide range of activities and developments, including the discharge of liquid effluents, land contamination and drainage.

I hope the above is helpful but if you have any queries please contact me.

Yours sincerely

Catherine McLeod
Sustainable Places Planning Advisor
Environment Agency

