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Our Ref: KEH/sew/3939

Dear Sir,

re: Promenade Retaining Boundary Wall - Gull Point, Outram Road, Felpham.

As requested, I yesterday visited the above site and carried a survey and inspection of the above and report to you hereunder my findings and comments regarding the removal of the three number concrete staircases abutting the existing precast concrete retaining wall on the inside face.

The existing concrete retaining wall was either in reinforced concrete or precast concrete sections approximately 4M in length with vertical expansion joints between.

Where the concrete staircases abutted the inside face of the concrete retaining walls a soft mastic joint was observed and it is assumed that the staircase construction offers no structural support to the retaining wall and provides only access onto the promenade itself.

It is thought that the concrete staircases may be lightly reinforced and backfilled with hardcore rubble.

From a structural point of view therefore it is considered that the staircases may be removed and their removal will not structurally affect the existing retaining wall structure.

This letter should be read in conjunction with your drawing no. IBA/239/01 showing the proposed site layout and the position of the staircases referred to.

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I trust that the above will be of assistance with your planning application.

