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The proposal has been reviewed and I enclose the Environment Agency's comments on:
2 Croft Cottages Pier Road Littlehampton BN17 5LS

LPA ref: LU/159/19/PL

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Development Control
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Littlehampton
West Sussex
BN17 5LF

Our ref: HA/2019/121539/01-L01
Your ref: LU/159/19/PL
Date: 28 August 2019

Dear Sir/Madam

New maisonette over parking area, extend crossover & alterations to rear fenestration.

2 Croft Cottages, Pier Road, Littlehampton, BN17 5LS

Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency on the above application.

Environment Agency Position

We have **no objection** to the proposed development as submitted, **subject to the inclusion of the following condition**, in any permission granted.

We consider that planning permission could be granted to the proposed development, as submitted, if the following planning condition is included as set out below. Without this condition, the proposed development on this site poses an unacceptable risk to the environment and we would object to the application.

Condition – Implementation of Flood Risk Assessment

The development shall be carried out in accordance with the submitted Flood Risk Assessment (ref: Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) (April 2019) Critchley Architecture And Design Ltd) and the following mitigation measures it details:

- Sleeping accommodation is located on the first and second floors

These mitigation measures shall be fully implemented prior to occupation and subsequently in accordance with the scheme's timing/phasing arrangements. The measures detailed above shall be retained and maintained thereafter throughout the lifetime of the development.

Reason

In line with section 9 of the Planning Practice Guidance of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) for Flood Risk and Coastal Change to reduce the risk to the proposed development and future occupants.

Environment Agency
Canal Walk, ROMSEY, Hampshire, SO51 7LP.

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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 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 0345 988 1188 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

Miss Suz Greenwood
Planning Advisor, Environment Agency



cc Martin Critchley, Architect