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Our ref: HA/2015/117562/01-L01
Your ref: LU/248/15/PL
Date: 02 November 2015

Dear Mr Easton

**CHANGE OF USE FROM OFFICE (CLASS A2) TO A DWELLING
3 ARCADE ROAD LITTLEHAMPTON BN17 5AP**

Thank you for your consultation on this proposal. Please quote our reference number in any correspondence.

Environment Agency position

In the absence of an acceptable Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) we object to the grant of planning permission and recommend refusal on this basis for the following reasons:

Reason

The FRA submitted with this application does not comply with the requirements set out in paragraph 9 the Technical Guide to the National Planning Policy Framework. The submitted FRA does not therefore, provide a suitable basis for assessment to be made of the flood risks arising from the proposed development.

In particular, the submitted FRA fails to

1. *Consider how people will be kept safe from flood hazards identified*
2. *Consider the effect of a range of flooding events including extreme events on people and property.*
3. *Consider the requirement for flood emergency planning including flood warning and evacuation of people for a range of flooding events up to and including the extreme event.*
4. *All finished floor levels for living accommodation should be 600mm above the 1 in 200 climate change flood event level.*

Please note that you can obtain the modelling information by contacting:

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Yours sincerely

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