



Engineers Comments Regarding Surface Water Drainage

The proposed development lies within Flood Zone 3a. On the basis of the existing defence and the use class of the site, we are not objecting to the proposal, despite advice against locating SUDS in a flood zone. The FRA acknowledges the need for further site investigation to inform the drainage design. For a site of this size we would expect to see a full winter's groundwater monitoring (in order to capture the peak), alongside infiltration testing to the proposed depth and in the location of the infiltration blanket.

The applicant acknowledges that infiltration may not be viable due to expected high groundwater levels. If monitoring shows this to be the case and the applicant seeks to utilise the existing surface water pipes/outfalls, then these will need to be thoroughly investigated. The pipes need to be fit for purpose and the system will need to be designed for a surcharged outfall.

If you are minded to approve the application please apply the following condition to ensure that the development is adequately drained and does not increase flood risk elsewhere.

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"Development shall not commence, other than works of site survey and investigation, until full details of the proposed surface water drainage scheme have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The design should follow the hierarchy of preference for different types of surface water drainage disposal systems as set out in Approved Document H of the Building Regulations, and the recommendations of the SuDS Manual produced by CIRIA. Winter groundwater monitoring to establish highest annual ground water levels and winter Percolation testing to BRE 365, or similar approved, will be required to support the design of any Infiltration drainage. No building / No part of the extended building shall be occupied until the complete surface water drainage system serving the property has been implemented in accordance with the agreed details and the details so agreed shall be maintained in good working order in perpetuity."

Reason: To ensure that the proposed development is satisfactorily drained in accordance with policies W SP1, W DM1, W DM2 and W DM3 of the Arun Local Plan. This is required to be a pre-commencement condition because it is necessary to implement the surface water drainage system prior to commencing any building works.

And the accompanying informative:

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"Infiltration rates for soakage structures are to be based on percolation tests undertaken in the winter period and at the location and depth of the proposed structures. The percolation tests must be carried out in accordance with BRE365, CIRIA R156 or a similar approved method and cater for the 1 in 10 year storm between the invert of the entry pipe to the soakaway, and the base of the structure. It must also have provision to ensure that there is capacity in the system to contain below ground level the 1 in 100 year event plus 40% on stored volumes, as an allowance for climate change. Adequate freeboard must be provided between the base of the soakaway structure and the highest recorded annual groundwater level identified in that location. Any SuDS or soakaway design must include adequate groundwater monitoring data to determine the highest winter groundwater table in support of the design. The applicant is advised to discuss the extent of groundwater monitoring with the Council's Engineers.

Supplementary guidance notes regarding surface water drainage are located here

<https://www.arun.gov.uk/surfacewater> on Arun District Councils website. A surface water drainage checklist is available on Arun District Councils website, this should be submitted with a Discharge of Conditions Application."

Kind Regards

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(In consultation with Paul Cann – Principle Drainage Engineer)



To: Engineers (Drainage)

**NOTIFICATION FROM ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL
Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015
Planning Permission**

APPLICATION NO: LU/50/20/PL

Registered: 6th March
2020

Site Address: Riverside Industrial Estate, Block T Bridge Road Littlehampton BN17
5DF

Grid Reference: 501711 102373

Description of Works: 4 No. Industrial Buildings (B1, B2 & B8 uses).

The Council have received the above application. I shall be pleased to receive any observations you may wish to make.

[Click here to view the application details](#)

Should you have any comments to make, these should be sent by replying to this email by 09-APR-20.

You can also monitor the progress of this application through the Council web site:

www.arun.gov.uk/planning

Please be aware that any comments you may make will be available on our website so please do not insert personal details or signatures on your reply.

In the absence of a reply within the period stated, I shall assume that you have no observations to make.

The application will be determined having regard to the development plan policies (if any are relevant) and other material considerations. The development plan can be accessed via the website as can the leaflet which deals with material planning considerations.

Should the application go to appeal the Planning Inspectorate will publish any comments made to the Council on their website: www.planningportal.gov.uk/planning/appeals/ but they will protect personal details.

The officer dealing with this application is Mrs A Gardner who can be contacted on telephone number [REDACTED]

Regards
Planning Officer

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