

Arun District Council
Development Control
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Littlehampton
West Sussex
BN17 5LF

Our ref: HA/2021/122860/01-L01
Your ref: WA/99/20/DOC
Date: 26 January 2021

Dear Sir/Madam

APPROVAL OF DETAILS RESERVED BY CONDITION IMPOSED UNDER REF APP/C3810/V/16/3143095 (WA/22/15/OUT) RELATING TO CONDITION NOS 6 - MATERIALS AND FINISHES, 12 - SURFACE WATER DRAINAGE, 13 - INFILTRATION OF SURFACE WATER DRAINAGE, 14 - MAINTENANCE & MANAGEMENT OF SUDS, 15 - FOUL DRAINAGE AND 27 - EMERGENCY ACCESS FROM SITE ONTO ARUNDEL ROAD

LAND TO THE EAST OF FONTWELL AVENUE FONTWELL

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

Environment Agency Position

We have reviewed the Drainage Strategy and SuDS Statement (Nov 2020) and the Technical Note (Note TN001 7th Dec 2020). This site is in a very sensitive location in terms of groundwater. The majority of the site is within Source Protection Zone 1c for Portsmouth Waters abstraction at Eastergate and the far north is in the SPZ 1.

We support the proposal to use the CIRIA SuDS Manual to mitigate against the risk to groundwater. However we **are unable to discharge** this condition at present as we have been unable to review documents for the construction details of the soakaways, in particular their maximum depth. We require soakaways to be as shallow as possible to reduce the risk to the underlying aquifer.

In addition Portsmouth Water should be consulted on this application due to the proximity to their abstraction borehole.

Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

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