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PLAN-013011
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Dear Sir

Proposal: Demolition of existing care home and replacement with new 60-bedroom care home with associated parking and landscaping.
Site: Cavell House, Middle Road, Shoreham-By-Sea, West Sussex, BN43 6GS.
AWDM/0046/16

Thank you for your letter of 22/02/2016.

Please find attached a plan of the Southern Water records showing the approximate position of a foul sewers crossing the site, surface water sewer and water main in the immediate vicinity of the site. The exact position of the public sewers and water mains must be determined on site by the applicant before the layout of the proposed development is finalised.

It might be possible to divert the foul sewer (150mm), so long as this would result in no unacceptable loss of hydraulic capacity, and the work was carried out at the developer's expense to the satisfaction of Southern Water under the relevant statutory provisions.

Should the applicant wish to divert apparatus:

1. The 150 mm diameter foul sewer requires a clearance of 3 metres either side of the sewer to protect it from construction works and allow for future access for maintenance.
2. No development or new tree planting should be located within 3 metres either side of the centreline of the 150mm foul sewer.
3. No development or new tree planting should be located within 3 metres either side of the centreline of the 225 mm public foul and surface water sewers.

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4. No excavation, mounding or tree planting should be carried out within 4 metres of the public water main without consent from Southern Water.
5. No new soakaways should be located within 5 metres of a public sewers and water mains.
6. All other existing infrastructure should be protected during the course of construction works.

Alternatively, the applicant may wish to amend the site layout, or combine a diversion with amendment of the site layout. If the applicant would prefer to advance these options, items (1) – (4) above also apply.

In order to protect Southern Water apparatus, Southern Water requests that if consent is granted, a condition is attached to the planning permission. For example "The developer must advise the local authority (in consultation with Southern Water) of the measures which will be undertaken to divert and protect the public sewers and water mains, prior to the commencement of the development."

Due to changes in legislation that came in to force on 1st October 2011 regarding the future ownership of sewers it is possible that a sewer now deemed to be public could be crossing the above property. Therefore, should any sewer be found during construction works, an investigation of the sewer will be required to ascertain its condition, the number of properties served, and potential means of access before any further works commence on site. The applicant is advised to discuss the matter further with Southern Water, Sparrowgrove House, Sparrowgrove, Otterbourne, Hampshire SO21 2SW (Tel: 0330 303 0119) or www.southernwater.co.uk".

Following initial investigations, Southern Water cannot accommodate the needs of this application without the development providing additional local infrastructure. The proposed development would increase flows into the wastewater sewerage system and as a result increase the risk of flooding in and around the existing area, contrary to paragraph 109 of the National Planning Policy Framework. Section 98 of the Water Industry Act 1991 provides a legal mechanism through which the appropriate infrastructure can be requested by the developer to accommodate the above mentioned proposal.

Should the Local Planning Authority be minded to approve the application, Southern Water would like the following condition to be attached to any permission. "Development shall not commence until a drainage strategy detailing the proposed means of foul and surface water disposal and a implementation timetable, has been submitted to and approved in writing by, the local planning authority in consultation with the sewerage undertaker. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved scheme and timetable."

We suggest the following informative: 'The applicant/developer should enter into a formal agreement with Southern Water to provide the necessary sewerage infrastructure required to service this development. Please contact Southern Water, Sparrowgrove House, Sparrowgrove, Otterbourne, Hampshire SO21 2SW (Tel: 0330 303 0119) or www.southernwater.co.uk'.

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It is the responsibility of the developer to make suitable provision for the disposal of surface water. Part H3 of the Building Regulations prioritises the means of surface water disposal in the order

a Adequate soakaway or infiltration system
b Water course
c Where neither of the above is practicable sewer

Southern Water supports this stance and seeks through appropriate Planning Conditions to ensure that appropriate means of surface water disposal are proposed for each development. It is important that discharge to sewer occurs only where this is necessary and where adequate capacity exists to serve the development. When it is proposed to connect to a public sewer the prior approval of Southern Water is required.

The Council's Building Control officers or technical staff should be asked to comment on the adequacy of soakaways to dispose of surface water from the proposed development.

The applicant should be advised that a wastewater grease trap should be provided on the kitchen waste pipe or drain installed and maintained by the owner or operator of the premises.

We request that should this application receive planning approval, the following condition is attached to the consent: "Construction of the development shall not commence until details of the proposed means of foul and surface water sewerage disposal have been submitted to, and approved in writing by, the Local Planning Authority in consultation with Southern Water."

Following initial investigations, Southern Water can provide a water supply to the site. Southern Water requires a formal application for connection and on-site mains to be made by the applicant or developer. We request that should this application receive planning approval, the following informative is attached to the consent:
"A formal application for connection to the water supply is required in order to service this development. Please contact Southern Water, Sparrowgrove House Sparrowgrove, Otterbourne, Hampshire SO21 2SW (Tel: 0330 303 0119) or www.southernwater.co.uk".

Yours sincerely

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