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Dear Peter,

RE: AWDM/1019/25 - Land West Of 51 To 63 Southview Road Southwick West Sussex.

Thank you for your consultation on the above site. We have reviewed the application as the drainage consultant acting on behalf of the Council and wish to make the following comments.

The applicant is applying for 2 new dwellings with parking and associated access and amenity areas. The application is to Adur District Council.

Following a review of the submitted information since our last response dated 14th May 2026, we are concerned with the impact the proposed development may have on surface water flood risk.

Following a review of the submitted Hydraulic Modelling Report (dated 22 January 2026), we have noted insufficient information has been provided to demonstrate the application is in accordance with the NPPF and its accompanying PPG. Whilst the FRA states that the site is at low risk from surface water flooding and that the proposed development will be safe from flood risk, we are concerned by the potential impacts the proposed development will have on the existing flood risk. We note that Appendix G of the Hydraulic Modelling Report provides modelling outputs showing the existing surface water flood risk at the site and the proposed flood risk following the development. We understand that ground raising will take place to protect the proposed dwellings from flood risk, but the plans shown in Appendix G are unclear about the flood depth changes to the surrounding area. An increase in flood depths is shown on the boundary of the property and on the access road. Clarification is required to show that the risk to the surrounding area will not be increased as a result of the proposed development and safe access and egress can still be achieved via Southview Road.

Therefore, we would recommend the application is not approved until updated information is received addressing the above points.

**Reason**

To prevent flooding in accordance with National Planning Policy Framework paragraph 167, 169 and 174 by ensuring the satisfactory management of local flood risk, surface water flow paths, storage and disposal of surface water from the site in a range of rainfall events and ensuring the SuDS proposed operates as designed for the lifetime of the development.

Yours sincerely

Sustainable Water Management Officer