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Dear Catherine Cardin,

RE: DM/26/1975 – Willow House 17 Silverdale Road Burgess Hill West Sussex RH15 0ED

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 the demolition of conservatory and rear ground floor walls. Single storey side extension and internal reconfiguration. Attic conversion with three dormer windows.

The Environment Agency's Surface Water Flood Risk mapping indicates that the site is at risk of surface water flooding. We note that this has been covered within the submitted Flood Risk Assessment and it is likely that the proposed development will be outside of this risk but there is concern that the proposed development may increase this risk to the site or the surrounding area. We note that the maps shown within the FRA do not include an allowance for climate change and therefore should be updated. In order to show that the development will not increase the risk of surface water flooding, details of surface water drainage should be provided. The Flood risk and Drainage Information Checklist linked in the Informative below provides detail on what is required at this stage.

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 subsections F2, F4, F5, F6, F7 and F8 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.

Informative

For further information on what is required at this stage of the planning application, please follow the link below to the Flood Risk and Drainage Checklist:

[FLOOD RISK AND DRAINAGE INFORMATION CHECK LIST – APPLICATION STAGE](#)

Yours sincerely,

Flood Risk and Drainage Team

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