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Mid Sussex District Council
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Date 03 March 2025

Dear Planning Officer,

RE: DM/25/0388 - Central Sussex College, Queensmere House, 49 Queens Road, East Grinstead, RH19 1BG

Thank you for your consultation on the above site, received on 20 February 2025. We have reviewed the application as submitted and wish to make the following comments.

This is a full application for Conversion of a D1 Educational Building to 24no. Residential Apartments (32 Bedrooms) with infilling of existing undercroft areas, associated car parking, landscaping, cycle spaces, amenity areas, 1.1m high metal fence and new ramp.

We **object** to this planning application in the absence of an acceptable FRA & Drainage Strategy because not in accordance with the NPPF, PPG Flood risk and coastal change or local policies. This means that flood risk could increase elsewhere.

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.

We will review this objection if the issues as highlighted on the attached Technical Response document are adequately addressed.

All the above details are required as they may affect site layout, volume of storage, flood risk and ground levels as this information should be contained within the FRA and associated Drainage Strategy to be in accordance with the NPPF.

Yours sincerely,

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