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**Subject:** 2025.10.14 Re: DM/25/2473 - Warninglid Primary School Slaugham Lane  
Warninglid Haywards Heath West Sussex RH17 5TJ

Dear Katherine,

The Flood Risk and Drainage Team have begun reviewing the information submitted in support of the above planning application and have some initial concerns regarding the viability of the proposed development.

Due to the scale of the proposed development, we would advise that a surface and foul water drainage strategy is provided at this stage of planning.

The applicant is proposing an infiltration-based approach. However, our records indicate the site lies within an area of low infiltration.

Given the scale of the proposed development, if infiltration is to be relied upon and there is no alternative means to discharge surface water, infiltration testing in accordance with BRE365 and confirmation of groundwater depth are required at this stage of planning.

In addition, a Drainage Constraints Plan should be provided, clearly identifying areas where drainage features cannot be located (e.g. building offsets, boundaries, or similar constraints). Individual soakaways could be utilised and located within the curtilage of the individual dwellings.

With respect to foul drainage, the applicant proposes a connection to the public foul sewer. Confirmation from Southern Water that a connection is acceptable, and that sufficient capacity exists within the receiving network, is also required at this stage. Southern Water will need to be consulted on this application if they have not already.

The applicant should refer to the MSDC Flood Risk and Drainage Information Check List – Application Stage - <https://www.midsussex.gov.uk/planning-building/flood-risk-and-drainage-for-planning/>

We will then be able to provide further comment once received.

Receipt of the requested additional information does not mean further information will not be requested, nor does it guarantee that the Flood Risk and Drainage Team will not object to the development. Neither does it prevent the team from recommending a flood risk or drainage condition.

Best Wishes

**Flood Risk and Drainage Team**  
**Estate Services and Building Control**  
**Mid Sussex District Council**

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