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**Sent:** 23 March 2026 15:55:41 UTC+00:00  
**To:** "planningdecisions" <planningdecisions@midsussex.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** FW: DM/26/0387 - 1 Withy Bush Burgess Hill

Hi,

The Applicant for the above application has confirmed that they wish to withdraw the proposal. Please could this be actioned?

Regards,  
Stefan Galyas MRTPI  
Planning Officer  
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**From:** Samuel Bennett <samuelbennett3@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** 23 March 2026 13:43  
**To:** Stefan Galyas <Stefan.Galyas@midsussex.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** Re: DM/26/0387 - 1 Withy Bush Burgess Hill

Hi Stefan,

Hope you are well.

Can you withdraw the application please, as you have said the application is not supportable due to the response from our Drainage Engineer, so there would be no progress to be had.

We are looking at potential options for extending under PD.

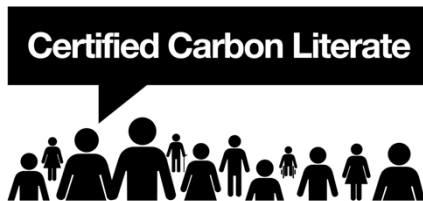
Kind Regards,  
Sam

On Mon, 23 Mar 2026 at 12:32, Stefan Galyas <[Stefan.Galyas@midsussex.gov.uk](mailto:Stefan.Galyas@midsussex.gov.uk)> wrote:

Good afternoon Sam,

Are you in a position to provide an update regarding how you wish to proceed with the above application?

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**From:** Stefan Galyas  
**Sent:** 13 March 2026 12:30  
**To:** 'Samuel Bennett' <[samuelbennett3@gmail.com](mailto:samuelbennett3@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: DM/26/0387 - 1 Withy Bush Burgess Hill

Hi Sam,

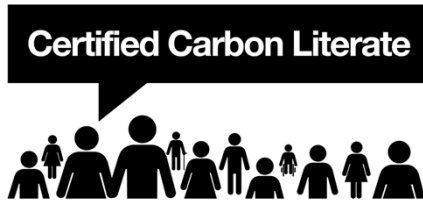
Thank you for your response.

Unfortunately, once the planning application has been validated and fully submitted, the fee is non-refundable.

A revised extension under PD would not be subject to the same surface water flood risk restrictions as this would be solely a legal decision as to whether or not the extension complies with the PD criteria. The guidance through the following [link](#) may be useful to understand what can be achieved through PD should these rights be intact. The relevant section in this case would be Class A.

In terms of the withdrawal, you can just reply to this email confirming your withdrawal and I will set about actioning this.

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**From:** Samuel Bennett <[samuelbennett3@gmail.com](mailto:samuelbennett3@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** 13 March 2026 09:39  
**To:** Stefan Galyas <[Stefan.Galyas@midsussex.gov.uk](mailto:Stefan.Galyas@midsussex.gov.uk)>  
**Subject:** Re: DM/26/0387 - 1 Withy Bush Burgess Hill

Hi Stefan,

Good to meet you the other day.

Ok, that is unfortunate but understandable. Is the fee refundable if it is withdrawn or can it be passed over to a pre-application enquiry for PD?

Would we be hitting the same issue with the Standing water risk with Permitted Development?

How do we go about withdrawing - via the Planning Portal?

Many thanks for your time.

Kind Regards,  
Sam

On Wed, 11 Mar 2026 at 16:51, Stefan Galyas <[Stefan.Galyas@midsussex.gov.uk](mailto:Stefan.Galyas@midsussex.gov.uk)> wrote:

Good afternoon Samuel,

Following on from my site visit yesterday, I have received the attached response from our Drainage Engineer.

Unfortunately, it appears that the application site is restricted by the highest grade of surface water flood risk and new development under a planning application would be significantly restricted by this. An objection has therefore been raised in response to the proposal, and the application would therefore not be supportable on this basis.

I would suggest that you withdraw the application and see what can be achieved under permitted development rights (should they be intact for the property). You may wish to explore submitting a pre-application enquiry or 'do I need planning permission'. More information can be found through the following [link](#).

If you could review and let me know how you wish to proceed, it would be much appreciated.

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