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Lead Local Flood Authority

Date 20 August 2025

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Dear Joanne,

RE: DM/24/3051 – Highfields, West Hill, East Grinstead, RH19 4DL

Thank you for your re-consultation on the above site, received on 07 August 2025. We have reviewed the further information as submitted and wish to make the following comments:

At present we **maintain our objection**, subject to the below points of clarification being addressed:

Southern Water have requested further details on the connection location before a final determination on connectivity can be made. Our mapping does not indicate a Southern Water sewer running below the relevant section of West Hill (as mentioned by the Applicant), rather a WSCC Highways asset, which would not be suitable for this purpose. Therefore, we also require details of the proposed surface water connection location to ensure the site can be adequately drained. Please can the applicant be asked to provide this in conjunction with confirmation that it is a surface water sewer, to ensure a viable and appropriate connection is being proposed.

Reason: To ensure compliance with NPPF, PPG Flood risk and coastal change and applicable local policies.

Yours sincerely,

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Documents considered for this response:

Southern Water correspondence DSA000041688 07 May 2025
Email from Applicant dated 04 August 2025