



Mid Sussex District Council
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Oaklands Road
Haywards Heath
West Sussex
RH16 1SS

Your ref
DM/25/0636

Our ref
DSA000043008

Date
15th April 2025

Contact
Tel 0330 303 0119

Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Conversion of redundant agricultural outbuilding into single storey one bedroom annex

Site: Grove Farm, Cansiron Lane, Ashurst Wood, East Grinstead

Thank you for your correspondence. Please see our comments below regarding the above planning consultation application.

Tree planting

We have restrictions on the proposed tree planting adjacent to Southern Water sewers, rising mains or water mains. Reference should be made to Southern Water's publication "A Guide to Tree Planting near water Mains and Sewers"

(https://www.southernwater.co.uk/media/pddob0vn/ds-tree-planting-guide-1_nwm.pdf)

and the Sewerage Sector Guidance (<https://www.water.org.uk/sewerage-sector-guidance-approved-documents/>) with regards to any landscaping proposals and our restrictions and maintenance of tree planting adjacent to sewers, rising mains and water mains.

Condition:

In order to protect public apparatus, Southern Water requests that if consent is granted, the following pre commencement condition is attached to the planning permission; The developer must advise the local authority (in consultation with Southern Water) of the landscaping proposals in proximity of public apparatus in order to protect it in accordance with Southern Water's guidance, prior to the commencement of the development.



Proposed soakaways

The Council's Building Control officers or technical staff should be asked to comment on the adequacy of soakaways to dispose of surface water from the proposed development. No new soakaways should be located within 5 metres of a public or adoptable gravity sewer, rising main or water main.

No Soakaways should be connected to the public surface water sewer.

Proposed Disposal to ground from package treatment plant

The Environment Agency should be consulted directly by the applicant regarding the use of a private wastewater treatment works which disposes of effluent to sub-soil irrigation.

For further advice, please contact Southern Water, Southern House, Yeoman Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN13 3NX (Tel: 0330 303 0119).

Website: [southernwater.co.uk](https://www.southernwater.co.uk) or by email at: SouthernWaterPlanning@southernwater.co.uk

Yours faithfully,
Future Growth Planning Team
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