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Date 14 May 2026

Dear Joanne,

RE: DM/26/1051/DOC – Highfield, West Hill, East Grinstead, RH19 4DL

Thank you for your consultation on the above site, received on 29 April 2026. We have reviewed the application as submitted and wish to make the following comments.

This application is for Discharge of Conditions 6 (Drainage) and Condition 9 (retaining wall) relating to DM/24/3051. Condition 9 is not in relation to Surface Water Drainage, therefore no further comments. For reference, Condition 6 is worded as follows:

Condition 6

“Prior to the commencement of development, construction drawings of the surface water drainage network, associated sustainable drainage components and flow control mechanisms and a construction method statement shall be submitted and agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall then be constructed as per the agreed drawings, method statement, FRA and Drawings and remain in perpetuity for the lifetime of the development unless agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. No alteration to the agreed drainage scheme shall occur without prior written approval from the Local Planning Authority. Reason: To ensure that the development achieves a high standard of sustainability and to comply with NPPF and to accord with Policy DP38 of the Mid Sussex District Plan 2014 - 2031.

We cannot recommend that Condition 6 discharged, as worded, based on insufficient information submitted. The level of detailed design should be sufficient detail and at ‘construction status’. The design should be site specific, and drawings consistently referenced across all drawings and plans for all components including any specifications.

Please note if the LPA decide to grant planning permission, we wish to be notified for our records should there be any subsequent surface water flooding that we may be required to investigate as a result of the new development.

Yours sincerely,

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