



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

**Your ref**  
DM/25/0196

**Our ref**  
DSA000041740

**Date**  
04/03/2025

**Contact**  
Tel 0330 303 0119

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Proposal:** Development and re-configuration work to convert existing commercial use to Class E use and 5No. residential dwellings (3No. 1-bedroom flats & 2 No. 2 bedroom flats) together with associated refuse and cycle storage.

**Site:** Thai Crystal 45 The Broadway Haywards Heath West Sussex, RH16 3AS.

Thank you for your correspondence dated the 26<sup>th</sup> of February 2025, please see our comments below regarding the above application.

#### **Development Site is not within Southern Water's Supply Area**

The development site is not located within Southern Water's statutory area for water supply drainage services. Please contact South East Water who are the relevant statutory undertaker.

#### **Connection to public sewer**

Southern Water requires a formal application for a connection to the public sewer to be made by the applicant or developer.

To make an application visit Southern Water's Get Connected service: <https://developerservices.southernwater.co.uk> and please read our New Connections Charging Arrangements documents which are available on our website via the following link: <https://www.southernwater.co.uk/developing-building/connection-charging-arrangements>

We request that should this planning application receive planning approval, the following informative is attached to the consent: Construction of the development shall not commence until details of the proposed means of foul sewerage and surface water disposal have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority in consultation with Southern Water.



## **Disposal of surface water**

In situations where surface water is being considered for discharge to our network, we require the below hierarchy for surface water to be followed which is reflected in part H3 of the Building Regulations. Whilst reuse does not strictly form part of this hierarchy, Southern Water would encourage the consideration of reuse for new developments.

- Reuse
- Infiltration
- Watercourse
- Storm Sewer
- Combined Sewer

Guidance on Building Regulations is here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/drainage-and-waste-disposal-approved-document-h>

We would like to engage with you on the design for disposal of surface water for this development at the earliest opportunity and we recommend that civil engineers and landscape architects work together and with Southern Water. In many cases this may negate or reduce the need for network reinforcement and allow earlier completion of the development.

Where a surface water connection to the foul or combined sewer is being considered, this should be agreed by the Lead Local Flood Authority, in consultation with Southern Water.

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

Yours faithfully,

Future Growth Planning Team

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