



Mid Sussex District Council
Oaklands Road
Haywards Heath
West Sussex
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Our ref: 06663
Date: 23 September 2025

For the attention of: Stuart Malcolm

Application ref: DM/25/1658
Location: Ibstock Kevington Building Products Ltd Ibstock Brick West
Hoathly Hamsey Road Sharpthorne
Proposal/Description: Discharge of planning conditions 4, 20, 27 and 40 relating to
planning application DM/23/0827.

Thank you for re-consulting with Place Services on the above application. This response letter relates to Conditions 4, 20 and 27. Our previous comments are dated 17/07/2025. Further details as follows.

Condition No.	Comments
4 Soft Landscaping Scheme	Unable to discharge - We welcome the additional planting around SuDS basins including the provision of requested planting around inlets and outlets to soften these elements. - We previously requested the omission of Sambucus nigra 'Obelisk' from the shrub and woodland mix. We note Sambucus nigra is still proposed within the SANG and request this is removed for similar reasons. - We previously requested details of the area to the north-west corner of the site where the plans state 'Details to be finalised'. This has not been submitted.
20 Play Area and Fitness Trim Trail	Unable to discharge - Our previous comments requested details of the product for the stepping stones and other proposed play equipment. We note the loss of proposed play features within the Residential Area Play Plan - On The Way Play plan (Dwg no. 0763/25/B/27 Rev. 1) and query these changes which has resulted in the loss of interaction between play and the proposed swale. This represents a missed opportunity to provide multifunctional spaces. We request that the proposed 'crossings' are reinstated. - Furthermore, while we welcome the inclusion of some natural play features, the specification for MAE SOT2 -

	Log Train and Carriages is preferred over the SB3061 – Play Train.
27 Landscape Management Plan	Unable to discharge We previously requested the Maintenance Tables to include the general task of “Collection and removal of litter and other debris.” While we note the inclusion of debris removal for Swales and Attenuation Basins, we request the general note to also include all hard and soft landscape areas.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries in relation to this advice.

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