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Dear Katherine,

RE: DM/26/1243 – Pookberry Farm Pookbourne Lane Sayers Common Hassocks West Sussex BN6 9HD

Thank you for your consultation on the above site. We have reviewed the application as the drainage consultant acting on behalf of the Council and wish to make the following comments.

The applicant is applying for the proposed provision of a mobile home for use as a rural workers dwelling for a temporary 3-year period in connection with the existing equine livery business.

We previously responded to this application stating no objection subject to a pre-commencement condition for the detailed design of the drainage strategy. Since this response, the applicant has provided an updated FRA and Drainage Strategy to remove the requirement for a pre-commencement condition.

The updated information provides enough detail on the proposed drainage strategy to remove the need for a pre-commencement condition. Therefore, following a review of the submitted information and due to the site, size, location, and type of development **we have no objection on surface water and drainage grounds.**

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The applicant is advised that if new surface / foul water discharge points are proposed into the ordinary watercourse, it is therefore important that any requirement for Ordinary Watercourse Consent (OWC) is fully considered before works are undertaken. OWC application details, including a link to guidance as to what classifies as a consentable structure/activity can be found here: [Ordinary watercourse land drainage consent - West Sussex County Council](#)

Yours sincerely,

**Flood Risk and Drainage Team
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