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To: "Katherine Williams" <Katherine.Williams@midsussex.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Service request - SR/26/3822 Alders Farm Brighton Road Hurstpierpoint Hassocks West Sussex BN6 9EE DM/26/2238

Hi Katherine,

My previous contaminated land comments for application DM/24/1662 remain applicable to this proposal.

A review of the information submitted under the earlier application noted that the barn was constructed for the current owners and used for storage. Aerial photography was also reviewed and was found to be consistent with the building having been constructed between 2007 and 2012. Responsibility for ensuring the safe development of the site rests with the developer and/or landowner, who would be best placed to understand any potential sources of contamination associated with the building and its use.

Whilst the site forms part of agricultural land, there is no evidence to suggest the presence of significant contamination. However, as development may involve groundworks associated with the installation of services and other construction activities, there remains the potential for previously unidentified contamination to be encountered.

Environmental Health therefore raises no objection to the proposal, subject to the inclusion of an unexpected contamination condition.

Approve with conditions:

3) If during construction, contamination not previously identified is found to be present at the site then no further development (unless otherwise agreed in writing by the LPA), shall be carried out until a method statement identifying, assessing the risk and proposing remediation measures, together with a programme, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the LPA. The remediation measures shall be carried out as approved and in accordance with the approved programme. If no unexpected contamination is encountered during development works, on completion of works and prior to occupation a letter confirming this should be submitted to the LPA. If unexpected contamination is encountered during development works, on completion of works and prior to occupation, the agreed information, results of investigation and details of any remediation undertaken will be produced to the satisfaction of and approved in writing by the LPA.

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Please see attached Service Request

SR/26/3822

Type: Contaminated land - consultation.

Details: Planning application consultations DM/26/2238 DEVELOPMENT TO BE CARRIED OUT AS PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT DETERMINATION AS TO WHETHER PRIOR APPROVAL IS REQUIRED. PROPOSED CONVERSION OF A BARN INTO FOUR RESIDENTIAL DWELLING HOUSES.

I would be obliged if you would let me have any views you wish to make by 6th October 2026.

Regards

Communities Support Team

Mid Sussex District Council