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Subject: Planning consultation - DM/25/1556 Bucklands Farm Brantridge Lane Balcombe Haywards Heath West Sussex RH17 6JT

FAO: Andrew Clarke

Dear Andrew,

Having viewed the plans for the planning application no DM/25/1556 for retrospective planning application for x2 glamping pods for overnight guest use, associated decking, pergolas, footpaths, solar panels, updates to existing permeable track and parking and turning area by each pod: the nearest fire hydrant for the supply of water for firefighting is 1,200-metres away 1,125-metres further than the 175-metre distance required for a domestic premises. If an alternative water supply for firefighting is to be considered it will need to conform with the details identified in Approved Document-B (AD-B) Volume 1: B5 section 14 and agreed with West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service.

Evidence is also required to show the Fire Service vehicle access meets with the requirements identified in Approved Document B Volume 1: B5 Section 13, including Table 13.1 and diagram 13.1. A fire appliance requires a minimum width of 3.1m through any gateway or narrowing and 3.7m between road edge or curbs, capable of supporting 18-Tonne axial weight of the fire appliance, and a suitable turning facility to ensure the fire appliance does not need to reverse more than 20m to reach an exit point.

Regards
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