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Subject: 2026.03.17 RE: DM/26/0374 - Birch Trees Farm, Cuckfield Road, Ansty, Haywards Heath

Dear Hamish,

The application has gone through an initial review, and we have the following comments:

It is proposed that surface water from the site will discharge to an existing ephemeral pond via existing pipework, following attenuation within an attenuation tank. It is proposed that foul water will discharge to the public foul sewer via existing private pipework through a pumped connection.

Several elements required by the MSDC Detailed Drainage Design Information Guide for the Discharge of Condition stage (<https://www.midsussex.gov.uk/media/yyxere1u/msdc002-detailed-drainage-design-checklist-v20-issued-071125.pdf>) have not been submitted.

These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Calculations should utilise FEH22.
- The discharge rate should be set as close as reasonably possible to the greenfield runoff rate for the contributing site area being attenuated.
- Details of Exceedance flow routing.
- Confirmation is required as to whether any impermeable ground surfaces are proposed, along with details of how they will be drained post-development.
- Evidence that the downstream pond has onward connectivity should be provided.
- The location of the flow control should be provided on the drainage layout.

Upon receipt of this additional information, we will be able to comment further. Receipt of the requested additional information does not mean further information will not be requested.

Best Wishes

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