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Subject: Mid Sussex DC - Online Register - Consultee Comments for Planning Application
DM/25/1738

Consultee comments

Dear Sir/Madam,

A consultee has commented on a Planning Application. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 06/08/2025 10:21 AM from Oliver Benson on behalf of Contaminated Land.

Application Summary

Reference:	DM/25/1738
Address:	5 - 8A Whitehall Parade London Road East Grinstead West Sussex RH19 1AP
Proposal:	Change of use of first floor commercial units (Class E) to 5 residential units (Class C3)
Case Officer:	Stuart Malcolm

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Comments Details

Comments:	There is a concern that the property may contain asbestos, which should be viewed as possible contamination. Having previously been in commercial use there should already be an asbestos risk register relating to the premises in line with the Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012.
	In order to make an informed decision a copy of the register is required. If the register details that there is likely asbestos in the property then further investigation, and a remediation strategy if necessary, would also be required in order to protect future residents.
	While asbestos may have been managed in the property when it was in commercial use, this is not always appropriate for residential, as occupiers can't be expected to keep track of asbestos locations or integrity.

If the risk register shows that there is potential asbestos containing materials in areas that will be being converted to residential, then the following conditions will be recommended:

Condition:

a) Prior to commencement, a full asbestos survey of the premises, undertaken by a suitably qualified specialist shall be submitted in writing to the local planning authority for approval.

And if any asbestos containing materials are found,

b) Prior to occupation a report shall be submitted to the local planning authority in writing, containing evidence to show that all asbestos containing materials in residential premises have been removed from the premises and taken to a suitably licensed waste deposit.

Kind regards