



Planning Section  
Dover District Council  
Head Office  
White Cliffs Business Park  
Dover  
Kent  
CT16 3PJ

Your ref  
22/01305

Our ref  
DSA000018508

Date  
05/01/2023

Contact  
Tel 0330 303 0119

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Proposal:** Erection of 73no. terraced dwellings and 5no. three/four storey buildings containing 64no. self-contained flats, relocation of existing vehicle access, creation of new vehicle access, parking, landscaping and infrastructure (existing buildings to be demolished).

**Site:** 22/01305: - Land at Barwick Road, Dover, CT17 0LH.

Thank you for your letter dated 23/11/2022.

Our investigations indicate that Southern Water can facilitate foul sewerage and surface water run off disposal to service the proposed development. Southern Water requires a formal application for a connection to the public sewer to be made by the applicant or developer.

To make an application visit Southern Water's Get Connected service: [developerservices.southernwater.co.uk](https://developerservices.southernwater.co.uk) and please read our New Connections Charging Arrangements documents which are available on our website via the following link: [southernwater.co.uk/developing-building/connection-charging-arrangements](https://southernwater.co.uk/developing-building/connection-charging-arrangements)


Note: The conduit diameters from MH TR29418950 to MH TR30410951 are currently unknown. It is recommended that this section of sewer is surveyed prior to connection, in order to ensure that there is adequate capacity in the network to accept the development flows.

The supporting documents make reference to drainage using Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS).

Under certain circumstances SuDS will be adopted by Southern Water should this be requested by the developer. Where SuDS form part of a continuous sewer system, and are not an isolated end of pipe SuDS component, adoption will be considered if such systems comply with the latest Design and Construction Guidance (Appendix C) and CIRIA guidance available here:

[water.org.uk/sewerage-sector-guidance-approved-documents/](https://water.org.uk/sewerage-sector-guidance-approved-documents/)

[ciria.org/Memberships/The\\_SuDS\\_Manual\\_C753\\_Chapters.aspx](https://ciria.org/Memberships/The_SuDS_Manual_C753_Chapters.aspx)



Where SuDS rely upon facilities which are not adoptable by sewerage undertakers the applicant will need to ensure that arrangements exist for the long-term maintenance of the SuDS facilities. It is critical that the effectiveness of these systems is maintained in perpetuity. Good management will avoid flooding from the proposed surface water system, which may result in the inundation of the foul sewerage system.

Thus, where a SuDS scheme is to be implemented, the drainage details submitted to the Local Planning Authority should:

- Specify the responsibilities of each party for the implementation of the SuDS scheme.
- Specify a timetable for implementation.
- Provide a management and maintenance plan for the lifetime of the development.

This should include the arrangements for adoption by any public authority or statutory undertaker and any other arrangements to secure the operation of the scheme throughout its lifetime.

We request that should this planning application receive planning approval, the following informative is attached to the consent: Construction of the development shall not commence until details of the proposed means of foul sewerage and surface water disposal have been submitted to, and approved in writing by, the Local Planning Authority in consultation with Southern Water.

This initial assessment does not prejudice any future assessment or commit to any adoption agreements under Section 104 of the Water Industry Act 1991. Please note that non-compliance with the Design and Construction Guidance will preclude future adoption of the foul and surface water sewerage network on site. The design of drainage should ensure that no groundwater or land drainage is to enter public sewers.

It is possible that a sewer now deemed to be public could be crossing the development site. Therefore, should any sewer be found during construction works, an investigation of the sewer will be required to ascertain its ownership before any further works commence on site.

For further advice, please contact Southern Water, Southern House, Yeoman Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN13 3NX (Tel: 0330 303 0119).

Website: [southernwater.co.uk](https://southernwater.co.uk) or by email at: [SouthernWaterPlanning@southernwater.co.uk](mailto:SouthernWaterPlanning@southernwater.co.uk)

Yours faithfully,

Future Growth Planning Team  
**Business Channels**

[southernwater.co.uk/developing-building/planning-your-development](https://southernwater.co.uk/developing-building/planning-your-development)