



Planning and Building Control Shepway District Council Civic Centre Castle Hill Avenue Folkestone Kent CT20 2QY Your ref 22/1077/FH

Our ref DSA000014214

Date 18/08/2022

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Conversion of Cheriton Parc House to 31 x one- and two-bedroom apartments and redevelopment of land to the rear to create a total of 43 dwellings (comprising 26 x 3-bedroom two storey dwellings and 17 x 4-bedroom 3 storey height townhouses) with associated landscaping and parking.

Site: 22/1077/FH: - Cheriton Parc House, Cheriton High Street, Folkestone, Kent.

Thank you for your letter dated 19/07/2022.

Our investigations indicate that Southern Water can facilitate foul sewerage 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: <u>developerservices.southernwater.co.uk</u> and please read our New Connections Charging Arrangements documents which are available on our website via the following link: <u>southernwater.co.uk/developing-building/connection-charging-arrangements</u>

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 Sewers for Adoption (Appendix C) and CIRIA guidance available here:

water.org.uk/sewerage-sector-guidance-approved-documents/

ciria.org/Memberships/The_SuDS_Manual_C753_Chapters.aspx

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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.

The Council's Building Control officers or technical staff should be asked to comment on the adequacy of soakaways to dispose of surface water from the proposed development.

Land uses such as general hard standing that may be subject to oil/petrol spillages should be drained by means of appropriate oil trap gullies or petrol/oil interceptors.

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 Sewers for Adoption standards 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: <u>southernwater.co.uk</u> or by email at: <u>SouthernWaterPlanning@southernwater.co.uk</u>

Yours faithfully,

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