

Richard Hart  
Gravesham Borough Council

**Our ref:** KT/2025/132906/02-L01  
**Your ref:** 20250902

Sent by email

**Date:** 11 November 2025

Dear Richard

**Application for the approval of condition 22 (Piling/Penetrative Ground Improvement Methods) attached to planning reference number 20231313.**

**Eastcourt Marshes Electricity Distribution Site, Mark Lane, Gravesend, Kent DA12 2HN**

Thank you for reconsulting us on the above application which we received on 22 October 2025. As part of this consultation, we have reviewed the following documents:

- Gravesend Shaft Piling Risk Assessment, ref. 100116608/PRA/002/v02, dated 20 August 2025, by Atkins Réalis UK
- Gravesend Shaft Groundwater Risk Assessment, ref. 100116608/GWRA/002/v02, dated 20 August 2025, by Atkins Réalis UK
- Gravesend Groundwater Monitoring and Mitigation Plan, ref. 100116608/GMMP/001/v01.5, dated 18 July 2025, by Atkins Réalis UK

**Environment Agency position**

We have no **objection** to the discharge of condition 22.

The additional information provided, including email correspondence, has confirmed that piling works will be covered by groundwater monitoring as part of a programme that will be implemented for the wider project. They have also confirmed that the ground improvement grouts planned to be used only contain materials already assessed in previous risk assessments. This has therefore addressed our previous queries, and we have no further objections to the discharge of this condition.

Please note that our comments are based on the details available to us at the time of writing. If any subsequent changes are made to the application, please reconsult us.

**Decision notice**

In accordance with the planning practice guidance ([determining a planning application, paragraph 019](#)), please notify us by email within two weeks of a decision being made or application withdrawn. Please provide us with a URL of the decision notice, or an electronic copy of the decision notice or outcome.

Should you have any queries regarding this response, please contact me.

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Yours sincerely,

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