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Date  
29 May 2026

FAO: Richard Hart

Dear Richard,

**County of Kent Act 1981 Section 53**

**Re: Nuralite Industrial Estate, Canal Road, Higham, Rochester, Kent, ME3 7JA.**

Thank you for your email dated 28 May 2026. Following my assessment of Fire and Rescue Service emergency access provisions for the approval of conditions application number 20260521 (attached to ref: 20250721), I would like to make the following observations.

I note the 'Construction Traffic Management Plan' (230470, April 2026) under section 7.8 that emergency vehicular access will be given priority right of way both on and off the site. Please ensure all access routes throughout the site during all phases (1A-1E) meet the minimum requirement of Table 15.2 of ADB Vol. 2 with appropriate turning for a fire tender to ensure no instances of dead-end access greater than 20m. On this basis, emergency access requirements under the above act appear would be deemed satisfactory at this stage.

Additionally, I note the site layout plan drawing; 18/171/02, Rev N/A from the original application (20190290) demonstrating hardstanding and large vehicle turning areas for the proposed A-L commercial units within the site. Please notify us if there are any variations or deviations from this plan, and ensure it meets the aforementioned table above, including paragraph 15.1 (p.111).

Please be aware that should this proposal be successful it would then be subject to a Building Regulations consultation where the access arrangements would again be examined under section B5.

Fire Service access and facility provisions are a requirement under B5 of the Building Regulations 2010 and must be complied with to the satisfaction of the Building Control Authority. A full plans submission should be made to the relevant building control body who have a statutory obligation to consult with the Fire and Rescue Service.

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Yours sincerely,

**Fire Engineering Team**

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