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Our ref  
CAS-341021  
Your ref  
20251233  
Date  
12 January 2026

FAO: Adeoye Lawal

Dear Adeoye,

**County of Kent Act 1981 Section 53**  
**Re: Land At Rose Farm, Downs Road, Istead Rise, Gravesend Kent DA13 9HG**

Thank you for your email dated 5 January 2026. Following my assessment of Fire and Rescue Service emergency access provisions for application number 20251233 I would like to make the following observations.

There appears to be an extended hose lay distance from a location suitable for parking a fire appliance along the road to Plot 73, to the furthest point within the dwelling. Please ensure turning facilities are provided in accordance with Diagram 13.1 of ADB, Volume 1.

In addition to the above please consider the long-term maintenance of the trees/bushes along the proposed secondary access route to enable access for a fire appliance, as this could restrict access if not properly maintained.

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.

If you require any further advice, please contact this office using the details above. Please be aware that the Building Safety office hours are 09:00-17:00 Monday to Friday.

Yours faithfully,

Fire Engineering Team

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