



Kent Fire &
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Date

16 September 2026

F.A.O: Alison Webster

Dear Alison,

County of Kent Act 1981 Section 53

Re: St. Josephs Convent of Mercy, Hillside Drive, Gravesend, Kent, DA12 1NY.

Following my assessment of Fire and Rescue Service emergency access provisions for works proposed at the address identified above. I would like to make the following observations.

- The off-site Fire Service access provisions are considered to be suitable.

Applicants should be aware that in the event of planning permission being granted the Fire and Rescue Service would require emergency access, as required under the Building Regulations 2010, to be established.

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.

Kind Regards,

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