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Our ref
CAS-331204
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20250889
Date
15 October 2025

FAO: Alison Webster

Dear Alison,

County of Kent Act 1981 Section 53
Re: Buckland Farm, Chalk Road, Higham, Rochester, Kent ME3 7JY

Thank you for your email dated 3 October 2025. Following my assessment of Fire and Rescue Service emergency access provisions for application number 20250889 I would like to make the following observations.

I note this is an outline planning application. Therefore, please ensure that access routes in and around the proposed development meet the minimum specifications for Fire and Rescue Service vehicles (Diagram 13.1 of ADB Vol.1).

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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