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Your ref
20240303

Our ref
DSA000033255

Date
29 April 2024

Contact
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Extensions to existing dwellinghouse to create a building containing 2no. semi-detached dwellinghouses and associated works.

Site: 20240303: - 388 Rochester Road, Gravesend, Kent, DA12 4TT.

Thank you for your letter dated 8 April 2024.

Following the review of the submitted documents, we have the below comments for the Planning consultation.

Protection of Public Apparatus

Please see the attached extract from Southern Water records showing the approximate position of our existing public foul sewer within the development site.

- The 160 mm diameter gravity sewer requires a clearance of 3 metres on either side of the gravity sewer to protect it from construction works and to allow for future maintenance access.
- No development or tree planting should be carried out within 3 metres of the external edge of the public gravity sewer without consent from Southern Water.
- No soakaways, swales, ponds, watercourses or any other surface water retaining or conveying features should be located within 5 metres of public or adoptable gravity sewers.
- All existing infrastructure should be protected during the course of construction works.

Please refer to: [Microsoft Word - DS Stand off distances V1.1NEW.docx \(southernwater.co.uk\)](#)

Please note: There is a private communication pipe within the development site.



It is possible that a sewer now deemed to be public could be crossing the development site. Therefore, should any sewer be found during construction works, an investigation of the sewer will be required to ascertain its ownership before any further works commence on site.

Foul and Surface Water Drainage

Southern Water requires a formal application for a connection to the public foul sewer to be made by the applicant or developer.

To make an application visit Southern Water's Get Connected service: developerservices.southernwater.co.uk and please read our New Connections Charging Arrangements documents which are available on our website via the following link: southernwater.co.uk/developing-building/connection-charging-arrangements

The Council's Building Control officers or technical staff should be asked to comment on the adequacy of soakaways to dispose of surface water from the proposed development.

For further advice, please contact Southern Water, Southern House, Yeoman Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN13 3NX (Tel: 0330 303 0119).

Website: southernwater.co.uk or by email at: SouthernWaterPlanning@southernwater.co.uk

Yours faithfully,

Future Growth Planning Team
Developer Services

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