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Our ref
CAS-326554
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20250764
Date
4 September 2025

FAO: Ethan Bonthron

Dear Ethan,

County of Kent Act 1981 Section 53

Re: Land South Of White Post Lane, White Post Lane, Cobham, Gravesend Kent

Thank you for your email dated 27 August 2025. Following my assessment of Fire and Rescue Service emergency access provisions for application number 20250764 I would like to make the following observations.

I note access into the proposed development is to be shared with an adjacent planning application site (Reference 20241164). Please note that any dead-end access routes longer than 20m require turning facilities and hardstanding, 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 access route, particularly at the main vehicular entrance 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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