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Our ref
CAS-346048
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20260131
Date
25 February 2026

FAO: Lisa Fisher

Dear Lisa,

County of Kent Act 1981 Section 53

Re: Site Of Former Police Station, 133 Windmill Street, Gravesend, Kent, DA12 1DB.

Thank you for your letter dated 13 February 2026. Following my assessment of Fire and Rescue Service emergency access provisions for planning application; 20260131, I would like to make the following observations.

Upon reviewing the available plan drawings, I note the 'Site Plan' (20085GD_PL102, Rev P1) where access to the proposed site appears to be broadly compliant. I acknowledge the proposed dry risers serving stairs 1-3, however, dry riser 3 appears to be >18m from a suitably parked position despite the comments made within the Design and Access Statement under point 5.3 in relation to 18m to the 'site boundary'. Please ensure a fire appliance can reach within 18m of each proposed dry riser from the access road, and clearly visible.

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 in greater detail.

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 sincerely,

Fire Engineering Team

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