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Your ref
20240136

Our ref
DSA000031985

Date
18 March 2024

Contact
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal: Demolition of 4 terrace houses and erection of a 3-storey building to accommodate 12no. one-bedroom residential units.

Site: 20240136: - 22-25 London Road, Northfleet, Gravesend, Kent, DA11 9JH.

Thank you for your letter dated 26 February 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 foul sewers within the development site. The exact position of the public assets must be determined on site by the applicant in consultation with Southern Water before the layout of the proposed development is finalised.

- The 100 mm and 150 mm public foul sewers requires a clearance of 3 metres on either side of the public foul sewers 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 foul sewers 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: southernwater.co.uk/media/3011/stand-off-distances.pdf



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 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

In situations where surface water is being considered for discharge to our network, we require the below hierarchy for surface water to be followed which is reflected in part H3 of the Building Regulations. Whilst reuse does not strictly form part of this hierarchy, Southern Water would encourage the consideration of reuse for new developments.

- Reuse
- Infiltration
- Watercourse
- Storm Sewer
- Combined Sewer

Guidance on Building Regulations is here:

gov.uk/government/publications/drainage-and-waste-disposal-approved-document-h

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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