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**Date: 03/04/2025**
**Our Ref: PLA0086306**
**Your Ref: P/2025/0210**

Dear Sir/Madam

**Grid Ref: SJ326502 332665 350244**
**Site: Unit 5 Dolydd Road, Wrexham**
**Development: Change of use of building from class B2 (tyre fitting centre/repair garage) to class sui generis (mot testing station and car repairs)**

We refer to your planning consultation relating to the above site, and we can provide the following comments in respect to the proposed development.

Firstly, with respect to the submitted application form and accompanying plan, we acknowledge that the development proposes for the dispose of foul and surface water is via existing mains sewer system.

## FOUL SEWER

The proposed development site is located in the catchment of a public sewerage system which drains to Five Fords Wastewater Treatment Works (WwTW) and ultimately discharges to a river Special Area of Conservation (SAC). We would advise that this WwTW has a phosphorus consent limit and is currently compliant with the 95% quartile for its flow passed forward (FPF) performance, at the time of this consultation. In addition, we have considered the impact of foul flows generated by the proposed development and concluded that flows can be accommodated within the immediate public sewerage system.

## SURFACE WATER

As of 7th January 2019, this proposed development may be subject to Schedule 3 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010. In the event this proposed development amounts to a total impermeable area of 100sqm or more, approval of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) features will be required in accordance with the 'Statutory standards for sustainable drainage systems – designing, constructing, operating and maintaining surface water drainage systems'. It would therefore be recommended that the developer engage in consultation with Wrexham County Borough Council, as the determining SuDS Approval Body (SAB), in relation to their proposals for SuDS features.

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Please note, Dwr Cymru Welsh Water is a statutory consultee to the SAB application process and will provide comments to any SuDS proposals by response to SAB consultation.

**ASSET PROTECTION**

In addition, this site is crossed by a public sewer with the approximate position) being marked on the attached statutory public sewer record. In accordance with the Water Industry Act 1991, Dwr Cymru Welsh Water requires access to its apparatus at all times in order to carry out maintenance and repairs. Having regard to the submitted drawings it appears the proposed development would be situated outside the protection zone of the public sewer measured 3 metres either side of the centreline and therefore acceptable in principle. Please note, the distance specified for this protection zone is indicative and based on industry standard guidelines. However, the depth of the asset will need to be verified on site which may infer a greater protection zone. For completeness, we recommend the developer refer to their title deeds to confirm if there are any covenants or restrictions associated with the asset(s) crossing the proposed development site.

Notwithstanding this, given the protection zone is located within the site boundary, it is still recommended that the developer contact our Plan and Protect team (PlanandProtect@dwrcymru.com) to carry out a survey to verify the location of the asset(s) and establish their relationship to the proposed development.

Accordingly, if you are minded to grant planning consent for the above development, we would request that the following **Conditions and Advisory Notes** are included within the consent to ensure no detriment to existing residents or the environment and to Dwr Cymru Welsh Water's assets:

**CONDITIONS**

No surface water from any increase in the roof area of the building /or impermeable surfaces within its curtilage shall be allowed to drain directly or indirectly to the public sewerage system.

*Reason: To prevent hydraulic overloading of the public sewerage system, to protect the health and safety of existing residents and ensure no pollution of or detriment to the environment*

**Advisory Notes**

*The applicant is also advised that some public sewers and lateral drains may not be recorded on our maps of public sewers because they were originally privately owned and were transferred into public ownership by nature of the Water Industry (Schemes for Adoption of Private Sewers) Regulations 2011. The presence of such assets may affect the proposal. In order to assist us in dealing with the proposal the applicant may contact Dwr Cymru Welsh Water. Under the Water Industry Act 1991 Dwr Cymru Welsh Water has rights of access to its apparatus at all times.*

*In accordance with Planning Policy Wales (Edition 12) and Technical Advice Note 12 (Design), the applicant is advised to take a sustainable approach in considering water supply in new development*

*proposals, including utilising approaches that improve water efficiency and reduce water consumption. We would recommend that the applicant liaises with the relevant Local Authority Building Control department to discuss their water efficiency requirements.*

*If the development will give rise to a new discharge (or alter an existing discharge) of trade effluent, directly or indirectly to the public sewerage system, then a Discharge Consent under Section 118 of the Water Industry Act 1991 is required from Dwr Cymru / Welsh Water. Please note that the issuing of a Discharge Consent is independent of the planning process and a consent may be refused although planning permission is granted.*

Our response is based on the information provided by your application. Should the proposal alter during the course of the application process we kindly request that we are re-consulted and reserve the right to make new representation.

If you have any queries please contact the undersigned on 0800 917 2652 or via email at **developer.services@dwrcymru.com**

Please quote our reference number in all communications and correspondence.

Yours faithfully,

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