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Hi Sharon,

Thank you for the recent consultation on the above application for full planning permission.

The site is located in DAM Zone A as defined within TAN15. NRW's surface water flood map identifies a high risk of surface water flooding to the north of the site. This is most likely associated with 2 culverted watercourse in the immediate vicinity.

SuDS Approving Body Approval Requirement

As you will be aware, from the 7th of January 2019 any new development of more than one dwelling or that involves construction work of more than 100m² is required to obtain approval from the SuDS Approving Body (SAB) prior to the commencement of those construction works. No formal application for SAB approval or request for pre application SAB advice has been received to date. In the absence of the full consideration of the requirements of the National Standards for SuDS, and requirements of Schedule 3 of the Flood and Water Management Act, it has not been demonstrated that a compliant sustainable surface water management scheme can be delivered for the site. It is likely that this requirement will have implications for the proposed development, particularly in relation to the layout. In some instances it may not be possible to identify a scheme that can successfully comply with the national standards, particularly if future maintenance, management and funding of a scheme cannot be agreed with the SAB as adopting authority.

Prior to the determination of the application, and as a matter of urgency, I would strongly advise the applicant give full consideration to the implications that compliance to the National SuDS standards may have for the development and revise proposals accordingly whilst also pursuing SAB approval. While it is possible to seek planning permission in isolation of seeking SAB approval, there is a significant risk in pursuing such an approach. The earlier it can be determined that the proposals are compliant with the new standards the less chance of delay, wasted effort and costs for all parties involved.

The information submitted with the application indicates that there is a culverted water adjacent to the site into which surface waters could be discharged. Whilst this does identify a potential discharge location, the proposed traditional piped, underground drainage system would not appear compliant with the underpinning design principles and statutory standards as detailed within the Welsh Ministers SuDS Standards.

If you have any questions on the above please let me know.

Many thanks

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