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Date: 23/12/2025
Our Ref: PLA0092270
Your Ref: P/2025/0907

Dear Sir/Madam

Grid Ref: SJ458413 345935 341286
Site: CROXTON FARM HANMER WHITCHURCH
Development: CONVERSION OF BARN TO 2 NO DWELLINGS AND ALL ASSOCIATED WORKS INCLUDING DEMOLITION OF AGRICULTURAL BUILDINGS, INSTALLATION OF PACKAGE TREATMENT PLANT AND UPGRADING OF EXISTING ACCESS

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

Having reviewed the details submitted we can provide the following comments.

PUBLIC SEWERAGE NETWORK

We note that the proposal would dispose of foul to a Private Treatment Plant. We advise that the applicant seek advice from the Natural Resources Wales and/or the Building Regulations Authority as the regulatory body for this method of drainage.

SURFACE WATER DRAINAGE

The application form identifies that surface water would be disposed via soakaways. Accordingly, we provide the following comments, based on the information provided to us at this stage.

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As of 7th January 2019, this proposed development is subject to Schedule 3 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010. The development therefore requires approval of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) features, in accordance with the 'Statutory standards for sustainable drainage systems – designing, constructing, operating and maintaining surface water drainage systems'. As highlighted in these standards, the developer is required to explore and fully exhaust all surface water drainage options in accordance with a hierarchy preferring infiltration (PL2) and, where infiltration is not possible, disposal to a surface water body (PL3), in liaison with the Lead Local Flood Authority and/or Natural Resources Wales, or surface water sewer or highway drain (PL4) in liaison with the riparian owner and/or Local Highways Authority.

Please note, DCWW is a statutory consultee to the SAB application process and will provide comments to any SuDS proposals by response to SAB consultation. Please refer to further detailed advice relating to surface water management included in our attached Advice & Guidance note and our Developer Services website at https://developers.dwrcymru.com/en/help-advice/regulation-to-be-aware-of/sustainable-drainage-systems.

In the absence of an accompanying surface water drainage strategy, it is recommended that the developer engage in consultation with the Council, as the determining SuDS Approval Body (SAB), in relation to their proposals for SuDS features. Please be advised that due to capacity constraints with the downstream public sewerage network, under no circumstances would we allow surface water runoff highway run-off from the proposed development to communicate directly or indirectly with the public combined sewerage system. In addition, please note, no amount of land drainage run-off is permitted to discharge directly or indirectly into the public sewerage system.

Conditions

No surface water and/or land drainage shall be allowed to connect directly or indirectly with the public sewerage network.

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

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.

The proposed development may be subject to Schedule 3 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010. The development therefore may require approval of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) features, in accordance with national standards, and is strongly recommended that the developer engage in pre-application consultation with the Local Authority, as the relevant SuDS Approval Body (SAB), in relation to

their proposals for SuDS features. 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.

The applicant is advised that some public sewers and lateral drains may not be recorded on our maps; some sewers 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.

The applicant may also need to apply to Dwr Cymru / Welsh Water for any connection to the public sewer under S106 of the Water industry Act 1991. If the connection to the public sewer network is either via a lateral drain (i.e. a drain which extends beyond the connecting property boundary) or via a new sewer (i.e. serves more than one property), it is now a mandatory requirement to first enter into a Section 104 Adoption Agreement (Water Industry Act 1991). The design of the sewers and lateral drains must also conform to the Welsh Ministers Standards for Gravity Foul Sewers and Lateral Drains, and conform with the publication "Sewers for Adoption"- 7th Edition. Further information can be obtained via the Developer Services pages of www.dwrcymru.com

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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