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Date: 03/02/2026
Our Ref: PLA0092999
Your Ref: P/2026/0012

Dear Sir/Madam

Grid Ref: SJ304448 330443 344909
Site: LAND AT VAUXHALL INDUSTRIAL ESTATE RUABON
Development: ERECTION OF BUILDING (CLASS D2-GYM) WITH ASSOCATED LANDSCAPING AND PARKING AREAS

We refer to your planning consultation relating to the above site which seeks the erection of building (class d2-gym) with associated landscaping and parking areas.

We note that foul drainage will be disposed of via connection to the main sewer; and surface water is to be disposed of via soakaways.

Foul

The proposed development site is located in the catchment of a public sewerage system which drains to Five Fords Wastewater Treatment Works (WwTW). We have considered the impact of foul flows generated by the proposed development and concluded that flows can be accommodated within the public sewerage system.

We note that the connection will be made to the combined public sewage at a point where there is not currently an existing manhole. As such, the mode of connection will be assessed as part of an Application under the Water Industry Act 1991 for any future connection to the public sewer.

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Surface Water

As of 7th January 2019, this proposed development may be 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.

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 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 Notes

The applicant may 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 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.

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.

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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.

Dwr Cymru Welsh Water is not responsible for fire protection or for providing suitable fire flows. Providing fire flows and fire protection are the responsibility of the appropriate regional Fire Services. We refer you to the 3rd Edition of the National Guidance Document on the Provision of Water for Fire Fighting published by the Local Government Association and Water UK.

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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