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Application: 243140



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Dear WBC Drainage,

Full Planning Approval Consultation

Application Number: 243140

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Soni

Site Address: 37 Commons Road, Wokingham, RG41 1JJ

Parish: Wokingham Town

Grid Reference: Easting - 479620, Northing - 170134

Type of Development: Minor Dwellings (1-9)

Proposal: Full application for the proposed erection of 1 no. detached dwelling following demolition of the existing dwelling and detached garage.

Case Officer: Tariq Bailey-Biggs

Development Management has received the above application and we require your comments on the proposal using the recommended memorandum below. The documents associated with this are available to view in NEC DM using the application number 243140. Alternatively, public documents are available to view on the Council's planning application search page: [Wokingham Borough Council Online Planning](#).

Please index your response into NEC DM against the application. If you are recommending conditions, you should give a reason with reference to relevant policies. A list of standard conditions can be found on the Z Drive at: [Z:\Standard Planning Conditions](#).

Your observations are required in respect of this application within **10 working days** of the above date or **15 working days** if the development type is classed as a major development.

Yours sincerely,
Development Management & Compliance

MEMORANDUM

From:	Boniface Ngu Flood Risk & Drainage		
Service	WBC Drainage	App No:	243140
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Site Visit Made:	No		

Summary Of Recommendations

- ☐ No comment
- ☐ No objection
- ☒ No objection subject to conditions (and reasons) **stated below**
- ☐ Request further information before determination as **stated below**
- ☐ Objection due to the reason(s) **stated below**

Comments On Proposal

The site is within flood zone 1 and we would have no objection to the principle of the replacement dwelling, as represented by **proposed site plan drawing 005 A dated June 2024**.

We note from the **application form** that some form of SuDS will manage surface water runoff while foul will discharge into an existing foul sewer.

As the footprint of the development will increase and drainage details have not been provided, we will **recommend the condition below**:

Conditions & Reasons (if required)

No development shall take place until full details of the drainage system for the site have been submitted to and approved in writing by the LPA. The details shall include:

1. Calculations indicating the existing runoff rate from the site.
2. BRE 365 test results demonstrating whether infiltration is achievable or not.
3. Use of SuDS following the SuDS hierarchy, preferably infiltration.
4. Full calculations demonstrating the performance of soakaways or capacity of attenuation features to cater for 1 in 100-year flood event with a 40% allowance for climate change and runoff controlled at existing rates, or preferably better.
5. If connection to an existing surface water sewer is proposed, we

need to understand why other methods of the SuDS hierarchy cannot be implemented and see confirmation from the utilities supplier that their system has got capacity and the connection is acceptable.

6. Groundwater data confirming seasonal high groundwater levels in the area.
7. A drainage strategy plan indicating the location and sizing of SuDS features, with the base of any SuDS features located at least 1m above the seasonal high water table level.
8. Details demonstrating how any SuDS for this development would be managed throughout the lifespan of the development and who will be responsible for maintenance.

The approved scheme shall be implemented prior to the first occupation of the development and shall be maintained in the approved form for as long as the development remains on the site.

This is to prevent increased flood risk from surface water run-off. Relevant policy: NPPF (2023) Section 14 (Meeting the Challenge of Climate Change, Flooding and Coastal Change), Core Strategy policy CP1 and Managing Development Delivery Local Plan policies CC09 and CC10.

Date:	18/12/2024	Signed:	Boniface Ngu
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