

Appendix M: Construction Methodology for Spine Road and Western Gateway 1 FRAP

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Our ref: EPR/QB3141LC

Date: 07/01/2025

Dear Mr. Holland,

Your environmental permitting application is duly made

Application reference: EPR/QB3141LC

Operator: Wokingham Borough Council

Description of Activity: New Link Road Development Spine Road and Western Gateway.

Site / Location: Along the east side of the Coronation Channel flood bank, near Fulney Hall, Holbeach Road, Spalding, PE126ES

I'm writing to let you know that your application, received on 20/10/2024, is duly made as of 07/01/2025. Duly made means that we have all the information we need to begin determination. Determination is where we assess your application and decide whether or not we can allow what you've asked for. If we have to refuse your application, we'll explain why.

We may need to ask you for more information during determination. If we do, we'll write to you to explain what we need and how long you have to reply.

We want to give you a decision as quickly as possible, but the time it takes depends on what's in the application.

If you have provided us with all the information we need, included the appropriate fee and there are no complicating factors, you can expect us to determine your application within the following timescales:

- for a standard or bespoke permit for a standalone flood risk activity permit, or a minor or normal variation or surrender or partial surrender of a flood risk activity environmental permit, within two months
- for a bespoke permit for a standalone flood risk activity permit, or a minor or normal variation or surrender or partial surrender of a flood risk activity environmental permit, involving public participation, within four months
- for flood risk activity together with a standard rule for an installation, a bespoke permit or substantial variation to a permit (with public participation) within four months

- for flood risk activity together with a standard rule for any other type of regulated facility, minor or normal variation or surrender or partial surrender of an environmental permit within three months

We may take longer if we need to ask you for more information about the technical aspects of your application.

We may need to advertise your application (public participation) if:

- it is for a standalone flood risk activity that is likely to have a significant impact on the environment.
- the flood risk activity is combined with other types of activity.

We advertise these applications on our website. We explain more about this in our Public Participation Statement which is on our website. In these cases, you can expect us to determine your application within four months unless we agree a longer timescale with you. We may do that:

- if the application is complex
- if we need to ask you for more information about the technical aspects of your application
- if there's a considerable level of interest from the public or other organisations.

If your application contained a request for confidentiality we will write to you separately about our decision on that.

If you have any questions, please phone on 07502690588 or email Gill.Doolan@environment-agency.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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