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Ask for	Amy Crook
Date	04 December 2025

Dear Sir or Madam,

Re: Prince Brothers Grove, Service Station, Old Bath Road, Charvil, Reading, RG10 9QJ

Further to your letter dated 12 November 2025 and enclosed plan/s which you have forwarded, it is noted that your application to demolish two existing buildings and a garage and the change of use from service station to a fuel oil storage and distribution facility. This includes the recladding of the existing building, installation of 8no. fuel oil storage tanks, construction of retaining structures, refurbishment of hardstanding, car parking and other associated works has been made under the Town and Country Planning Acts.

At this stage there is no duty placed upon the Fire Authority under the aforementioned legislation to make any comment relative to your application.

Your proposals have, however, been cursorily examined and inasmuch as would affect the planning application and appear to meet the basic principles of means of escape in case of fire.

Any structural fire precautions and all means of escape provision will have to satisfy Building Regulation requirement. These matters are administered by the local authority Building Control or approved inspectors, who you are advised to contact in this regard.

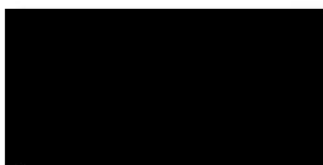
Please be advised that any comments made by the Fire Authority in this letter must not be taken as formal approval that your plan/s confirm to the requirements and recommendations of current Guides or Codes of Practice for means of escape in case of fire.

Chief Fire Officer – Wayne Bowcock

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Yours faithfully



Amy Crook
Authorised Fire Safety Inspector
And on behalf of the Royal Berkshire Fire Authority

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