

Mrs J Pagdin,
Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council
The Campus,
Welwyn Garden City,
Herts, AL8 6AE

6th October 2016

Ref: 6/2016/1739/MAJ

Dear Mrs J Pagdin ,

Site: Comet Hotel, St Albans Road West, of Hatfield the Grade II, listed hotel AL10 9RH

Description: Extension and refurbishment of the Grade II listed building (Use Class C1) following demolition of existing rear and side extensions. Erection of 7,253.7sqm Student accommodation (Sui Generis), landscaping and associated works

Thank you for notification of the above planning application. Planning applications are referred to us where our input on issues relating to water quality or quantity may be required.

You should be aware that the proposed development site is located within an Environment Agency defined groundwater Source Protection Zone (SPZ) corresponding to Hatfield Pumping Station. This is a public water supply, comprising of a number of Chalk abstraction boreholes, operated by Affinity Water Ltd.

The construction works and operation of the proposed development site should be done in accordance with the relevant British Standards and Best Management Practices, thereby significantly reducing the groundwater pollution risk. It should be noted that the construction works may exacerbate any existing pollution. If any pollution is found at the site then the appropriate monitoring and remediation methods will need to be undertaken.

For further information we refer you to CIRIA Publication C532 "Control of water pollution from construction - guidance for consultants and contractors".

Yours sincerely,

Ben Spode,
Planning Co-ordinator