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RE: 6/2017/2385/COND - Queenswood School, Shepherds Way, Brookmans Park, Hatfield, AL9 6NS

Dear David,

Thank you for your re-consultation in relation to the above planning application for the Submission of details pursuant to conditions 1 (Material samples), 2 (tree protection plan), 3 (soft landscape plan) and 5 (surface water drainage scheme) on planning permission 6/2016/2675/MAJ dated 20/07/2017, at Queenswood School, Shepherds Way, Brookmans Park, Hatfield, AL9 6NS.

In relation to Condition 1, 2 and 3 this is something we cannot advise on, as it does not relate to flood risk or surface water drainage.

Condition 5 states:

No development shall take place until a detailed surface water drainage scheme for the site based on the approved drainage strategy and sustainable drainage principles, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The drainage strategy should:

- 1. Demonstrate that the surface water run-off generated up to and including 1 in 100 year + climate change critical storm will not exceed the run-off from the undeveloped site following the corresponding rainfall event. The scheme shall subsequently be implemented in accordance with the approved details before the development is completed.
- 2. Include detailed engineered drawings of the proposed SuDS features including their size, volume, depth and any inlet and outlet features including any connecting pipe runs.

The approved details shall be fully implemented and retained thereafter.

REASON: To prevent the increased risk of flooding, both on and off site, in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework 2012.

The applicant has proposed to store surface water in the detention pond, providing 61 m³ of effective storage and discharge into the existing surface water sewer on the site at the rate of 21 l/s. The final discharge point of surface water is an ordinary watercourse.

The applicant has provided detailed drawings of the proposed SuDS features including their size, volume, depth and any inlet and outlet features.

Therefore, we advise the LPA that the proposed surface water drainage scheme is feasible and we would advise to discharge the Condition 5.

Please note, if the LPA decide to discharge the condition we wished to be notified for our records should there be any subsequent surface water flooding that we may be required to investigate as a result of the new development.

Yours sincerely,

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