

Mrs Cynthia Palmer Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council The Campus, Welwyn Garden City, Herts AL8 6AE

> Application Reference: 6/2018/1519/MAJ 25 June 2018

Dear Mrs Cynthia Palmer,

**Description:** Erection of 30 residential units with associated vehicular access, associated ancillary and enabling works.

Address: Land north of Chequers field Welwyn Garden City

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 close to or within an Environment Agency defined groundwater Source Protection Zone (GPZ) corresponding to Essendon Pumping Station. This is a public water supply, comprising 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 sites 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

Rachel Bonus

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