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FAO Graeme Thorpe

Thank you for consulting with us on the above application which we received on the 10 July 2012.

We have no records of having being consulted on the original application 3/2011/0861 and we do not provide comments on details submitted to discharge a planning condition that we did not request.

However, we would request that the applicant is reminded that under the Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2010 any discharge of sewage or trade effluent made to either surface water or groundwater will need to be registered as an exempt discharge activity or hold an environmental permit issued by the Environment Agency. This applies to any discharge to inland freshwaters, coastal waters or relevant territorial waters.

Domestic effluent discharged from a treatment plant/septic tank at 2 cubic metres or less to ground or 5 cubic metres or less to surface water in any 24 hour period may be registered as an exempt activity provided that no public foul sewer is available to serve the development and that the site is not within an inner Groundwater Source Protection Zone.

A soakaway used to serve a non-mains drainage system must be sited no less than 10 metres from the nearest watercourse, not less than 10 metres from any other foul soakaway and not less than 50 metres from the nearest potable water supply.

Where the proposed development involves the connection of foul drainage to an existing non-mains drainage system, the applicant should ensure that it is in a good state of repair, regularly desludged and of sufficient capacity to deal with any potential increase in flow and loading which may occur as a result of the development.

Regards

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