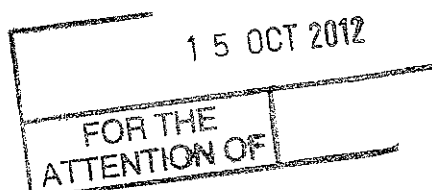


Ribble Valley Borough Council
Council Officers, Church Walk
Clitheroe
BB7 2RA

Your ref: 3/2012/0724
Our ref: DC/12/3945
Date: 15-OCT-12

Dear Sir/Madam



Location: 47, Knowsley Road West Clayton Le Dale, Blackburn
Proposal: Erection of 1 dwelling

With reference to the above planning application, the development is in close proximity to a strategic large diameter trunk main supplying water to many thousands of customers in the Blackburn area. The main is protected by a 10m easement width therefore provided no part of the proposed structure is within 5m of the centre line of our main, we have no objection to the development.

The applicant should be advised that extreme care must be taken when excavating adjacent to the main and that traverse of the main by heavy construction vehicles must be avoided.

The need for this 10 m easement was identified on the previously submitted application reference 3/2009/0542. United Utilities advises the applicant that it is necessary to confirm the exact location of the main and these details should be provided to our planning liaison team. Once the location of the main is confirmed, it may be necessary to amend the location of the proposal.

In light of the position, we request the inclusion of the following condition in any planning permission that may be granted

'Prior to the commencement of development, a scheme, hereinafter called the Water Main Approved Method Statement, for working near the water main shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall include the provision of a 10 m easement centred over the large diameter trunk main. No development or other operations shall take place except in complete accordance with the Water Main Approved Method Statement, unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority.'

United Utilities offer a fully supported mapping service at a modest cost for our water mains and sewerage assets. This is a service, which is constantly updated by our Property Searches Team (Tel No: 0870 7510101). It is the applicant's responsibility to demonstrate the exact relationship between any assets that may cross the site and any proposed development

Please note, due to the public sewer transfer, not all sewers are currently shown on the statutory sewer records, if a sewer is discovered during construction, please contact a Building Control Body to discuss the matter further.

Yours Faithfully,

Daniel McDermott
Developer Services & Asset Protection
United Utilities