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

Dear Sir/Madam,

Location: Dog and Partridge Hesketh Lane Chipping PR3 2TH Proposal: Conversion of an existing restaurant (A3) to create twelve apartments (C3) and the siting of four houses

Following discussions with local residents and land owners we would like to point out that there are no foul or surface water wastewater assets owned or operated by United Utilities in the local area. The nearest available assets are several kilometres away from the site and it would be unrealistic to expect the applicant to connect to our network.

We would therefore suggest that the Planning Authority establishes how the foul discharges from the new development site will be dealt with so that a sufficiently robust foul drainage strategy is put in place.

My understanding is that historically a large number of properties have connected untreated foul to what is effectively a land drain which then discharges freely and untreated into the nearby watercourse. Also at times of heavy rainfall the land drain spills untreated foul into the adjacent fields causing pollution issues. Clearly this is a pollution hazard and situation cannot be allowed to continue when new development is put forward.

We would encourage the LPA to work closely with the Lead Local Flood Authority on this matter to because I understand that they are the Statutory body responsible for this.

The applicant can discuss any of the above with Developer Engineer, Graham Perry, by email at <u>wastewaterdeveloperservices@uuplc.co.uk</u>.

Yours faithfully

Tracy Churchman United Utilities Developer Services and Metering

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