Ribble Valley Borough Council Development Control Council Offices Church Walk Clitheroe Lancashire BB7 2RA Our ref:NO/2021/113529/01-L01Your ref:3/2021/0299Date:07 May 2021

Dear Sir/Madam

INSTALL NEW DORMER WINDOW TO FRONT AND REAR ELEVATION, INCLUDING JULIET BALCONY. 19 BLACKBURN ROAD, RIBCHESTER, PR3 3ZP.

Thank you for consulting us on the above application which we received 05 May 2021.

Environment Agency position.

We have no objection to the alterations proposed. We would however take this opportunity to remind the applicant of the rules governing environmental permitting.

The building lies in close proximity to the Main River and whilst we acknowledge that the works proposed are modifications to the existing building, the applicant should be aware that any new structures or planting within 8 metres of the Main River will require an environmental permit. Please see the guidance below.

Environmental permit - advice to applicant

The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 require a permit to be obtained for any activities which will take place:

- on or within 8 metres of a main river (16 metres if tidal)
- on or within 8 metres of a flood defence structure or culverted main river (16 metres if tidal)
- on or within 16 metres of a sea defence
- involving quarrying or excavation within 16 metres of any main river, flood defence (including a remote defence) or culvert
- in a floodplain more than 8 metres from the river bank, culvert or flood defence structure (16 metres if it's a tidal main river) and you don't already have planning permission

For further guidance please visit <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-activities-</u> <u>environmental-permits</u> or contact our National Customer Contact Centre on 03708 506 506. The applicant should not assume that a permit will automatically be forthcoming once planning permission has been granted, and we advise them to consult with us at the earliest opportunity.

Yours faithfully

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