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Please ask for: William Cole
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Your ref: 3/2021/0661 and 3/2021/0660
Our ref: PCU/RTI/T2350/3318361
Date: 15th March 2023

Dear Ms Hopkins

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2015

Applications by United Utilities Water Limited for proposed works for and use of replacement section of aqueduct, including earthworks and ancillary infrastructure including at proposed Bowland and Marl Hill Sections of the Haweswater Aqueduct Resilience Programme (HARP), Ribble Valley, Lancashire (application no: 3/2021/0661 and 3/2021/0660)

1. I am directed by the Secretary of State to refer to the above planning applications.
2. In exercise of his powers under Article 31 of the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015, the Secretary of State hereby directs your Council not to grant permission on these applications without specific authorisation. This direction is issued to enable him to consider whether he should direct under Section 77 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 that the applications should be referred to him for determination.
3. This direction does not, of course, prevent your Council from considering the applications, forming a view as to the merits or, if they are so minded, refusing permission.
4. This letter is for procedural purposes and should not be read as any indication of the Secretary of State's attitude towards the application schemes.
5. I would be grateful for acknowledgement of your receipt of this letter. Please contact me at the address above if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

William Cole - Case Officer
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Authorised by the Secretary of State to sign on their behalf

The decision to issue this Article 31 was made by the Minister of State for Housing, on behalf of the Secretary of State, and signed on her behalf