

Contact: Please contact the Local Planning Authority

Date: 19 February 2025

Dear Local Planning Authority,

Thank you for inviting the Lead Local Flood Authority to comment on the below application.

PLANNING APPLICATION CONSULTATION RESPONSE

Application Number:	3/2024/0983
Proposal:	Variation of condition 17 (SW drainage) on permission 3/2021/1262 for the erection of 4no. commercial units (Use Class E) to allow the verification report to be provided after the commencement of works.
Location:	Land at the north of the Chapel Hill site Longridge

The Lead Local Flood Authority is a statutory consultee for major developments with surface water drainage, under the Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015. It is in this capacity this response is compiled.

Comments provided in this representation are advisory and it is the decision of the Local Planning Authority whether any such recommendations are acted upon. The comments given have been composed based on the extent of the knowledge of the Lead Local Flood Authority and information provided with the application at the time of this response.

Lead Local Flood Authority Position

The Lead Local Flood Authority has **no objection** to the variation of condition 17 of planning permission 3/2021/1262.

Lead Local Flood Authority - Site-Specific Advice

The following advice is provided to inform the applicant and the Local Planning Authority of our expectations:

The Lead Local Flood Authority would advise the Local Planning Authority to utilise the wording previously advised in the formal response dated the 19th May 2022 on planning application reference 3/2021/1262, which is included below for ease of reference.

Lancashire County Council

PO Box 100, County Hall, Preston, PR1 0LD



Condition 4 – Verification Report of Constructed Sustainable Drainage System

The commencement of use of the development shall not be permitted until a site-specific verification report, pertaining to the surface water sustainable drainage system, and prepared by a suitably competent person, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

The verification report must, as a minimum, demonstrate that the surface water sustainable drainage system has been constructed in accordance with the approved drawing(s) (or detail any minor variations) and is fit for purpose. The report shall contain information and evidence, including photographs, of details and locations (including national grid references) of critical drainage infrastructure (including inlets, outlets, and control structures) and full as-built drawings. The scheme shall thereafter be maintained in perpetuity.

Reason

To ensure that surface water flood risks from development to the future users of the land and neighbouring land are minimised, together with those risks to controlled waters, property, and ecological systems, and to ensure that the development as constructed is compliant with the requirements of Paragraphs 167 and 169 of the National Planning Policy Framework.

If the applicant wishes to discuss any aspects of this response with the Lead Local Flood Authority, they can do so through our [planning advice service](#).

Lead Local Flood Authority – General Advice

The Lead Local Flood Authority's general advice is provided through the [Lancashire SuDS Pro-forma and accompanying guidance](#). All applications for major development are expected to follow this guidance and submit a completed SuDS pro-forma.

What this response DOES NOT cover

This response does not cover highway drainage, matters pertaining to highway adoption (s38 Highways Act 1980) and/or off-site highway works (s278 Highways Act 1980). Should the applicant intend to install any sustainable drainage systems under or within close proximity to a public road network (existing or proposed), then they would need to separately discuss the use and suitability of those systems with the relevant highway authority.

The applicant is encouraged to discuss the suitability of any overland flow routes and/or flood water exceedance with the relevant highway authority should they have the potential to impact the public highway network and/or public highway drainage infrastructure (either existing or proposed).

For the avoidance of doubt, as the Lead Local Flood Authority, we do not comment on the application of the sequential and/or exception tests.

Material Changes or Additional Information to this Planning Application

If there are any material changes to the submitted information or additional information provided after this Lead Local Flood Authority response to the Local Planning Authority which impact surface water, the Local Planning Authority is advised to re-consult the Lead



Local Flood Authority. Please be aware this will be classed as a re-consultation with a full 21-day response time. Re-consultations should be sent to our identified mailbox.

Please note that should the Local Planning Authority make a decision on this application contrary to our advice, then we will be unable to support this application in an appeal or at any future discharge of conditions stage relating to conditions that the Lead Local Flood Authority have not recommended.

Please send a copy of the decision notice to our identified mailbox.

Yours faithfully,

Harry McGaghey

Lead Local Flood Authority

