From: PlanningSSD [PlanningSSD@environment-agency.gov.uk]
Sent: 16 July 2012 11:04
To: County Planning
Subject: EA Response to: Planning Application - RME003 - The Connaught School, Tongham Road

Dear Planning,

Thank you for consulting the Environment Agency on the above application.

The Environment Agency has no objection to the proposed development as submitted with regards to our planning remit.

Advice to applicant - Flood Defence Consent Required

Under the terms of Section 109 of the Water Resources Act 1991, and the Southern Region Land Drainage and Sea Defence Byelaws, the prior written consent of the Environment Agency is required for any proposed works or structures, in, under, over or within 8 metres of the top of the bank of a main river or any proposed works or structures within 15 metres of a sea defence.
This permission is separate from planning permission and cannot be considered retrospectively.
Please be aware that the Environment Agency has up to two months to determine applications for Flood Defence Consent and you are therefore advised to contact the local Environment Agency Office as soon as possible to discuss making an application. Consent will only be issued if the works do not pose a flood risk to people and property, and do not conflict with the Environment Agency's other duties.
The prior written consent of the relevant Lead Local Flood Authority is required for the erection of any flow control structures, culverting or diversion of ordinary watercourses, including streams, land drains and ditches.

Please be aware that the Lead Local Flood Authority has up to two months to determine applications for consent made under Section 23 of the Land Drainage Act 1991 and you are therefore advised to contact Adam Collier at Hampshire County Council (01962 845518) as soon as possible to discuss making an application.
Kind Regards
Planning Liaison
Environment Agency
South East Region
Solent & South Downs Area
Solent Office

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