

Ashford Borough Council
Development Control
Civic Centre Tannery Lane
Ashford
Kent
TN23 1PL

Our ref: KT/2023/130815/01-L01
Your ref: PA/2023/0715
Date: 21 July 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

**Proposed construction of a wastewater treatment plant, associated landscaping,
and proposed vehicular access from Chilmington Green Road**

Chilmington Green, Land to west of Chilmington Green Road, Ashford, Kent

Thank you for consulting us on the above. We have no objection but the following comments should be noted.

Water Quality

The discharge from the onsite wastewater treatment works will require an environmental permit. Please follow the government guidance on [discharges to surface water and groundwater](#). Please take note of the section on discharges in sewered areas.

For the onsite wastewater treatment works, OFWAT guidance on New Appointment and Variations must be followed, which sets out the requirements for appointment of a new company ([OFWAT NAV guidance](#)).

The discharge from the onsite wastewater treatment works will be to a tributary of the River Beult. The Beult is a SSSI site with agreed CSMG targets for water quality. Permit limits will therefore be calculated to protect the Water Framework Directive (WFD) status of the Beult and will also consider achieving favourable condition status of the River Beult SSSI. CSMG targets will therefore be considered when calculating permit limits for discharges upstream of the River Beult SSSI.

The applicant is advised to contact our National Permitting team. There is no guarantee that a permit will be granted. The permitting team will make that assessment on the receipt of a permit application.

Yours faithfully

Ms Jennifer Wilson
Planning Specialist

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