

13 February 2025

Attention: Gary Osmond
Eastleigh Borough Council Planning

Sent electronically only

SLR Project No.: 433.000083.00001

Dear Gary

RE: River Itchen WTW – Permanent Centrifuge –DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS 1 AND 7

Site address: River Itchen Water Treatment Works, Allington Lane, Southampton,, SO30 3HQ

On behalf of our client, Portsmouth Water Limited, we have pleasure in enclosing an application to discharge conditions 1 and 7 for the new permanent building to house a centrifuge; alongside a balancing tank, sludge cake skip and adjacent hard standing for temporary pallet storage associated with the above site and pursuant to planning permission ref. F/24/97844:

“A new permanent building to house a centrifuge; alongside a balancing tank, sludge cake skip and adjacent hard standing for temporary pallet storage at the site known as River Itchen Water Treatment Works (WTW), Allington Lane, Southampton, SO30 3HQ.”

We set out below the information submitted in relation to conditions 1 and 7 for this development, which we are seeking to discharge in full.

Condition 1 – Environment Act 2021

The condition states:

‘The development hereby approved shall not be brought into use until details of how the development will achieve a biodiversity net-gain of at least 10%. The base date for measuring this improvement shall be from the date of submission of the planning application and details shall include a timescale for the implementation of the proposed measures and their future management. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To accord with the Environment Act 2021, Schedule 14.’

Plans/Reports accompanying application:

- **BNG Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan (HMMP)**
- **BNG Metric Calculation**

Response:

Ecosupport have prepared a HMMP to support this application, in accordance with the requirements of condition 1.

For full details please see the submitted HMMP, however, a summary is provided below. The HMMP should be read in conjunction with the associated Statutory Biodiversity Metric Feb 2025 (Ecosupport Ltd.) and the associated Preliminary Ecological Assessment (PEA) report (submitted with planning application).

The HMMP concluded that the proposed development will result in a net gain of 14.98% for habitats through the enhancement of the other neutral grassland from poor to moderate condition and the retention of the southern parcel of other neutral grassland. As a result, no further measures are required.

The report details the way in which the outlined retention and enhancement have enabled the Biodiversity Gain Hierarchy to be followed. In addition, the report includes the management strategies to be followed between the first and 30th year, to ensure the habitats remain in the condition outlined. This includes how frequently and at what time of year management strategies should be implemented.

Based on this information, it is requested that condition 1 is fully discharged in respect of the details submitted for this development. Please can you also confirm that no further information pertaining to condition 1 will be required to be submitted and discharged prior to the commencement of development.

For the avoidance of doubt, the information submitted in relation to this condition is also considered to constitute a submission in relation to the statutory as per article 13 of the Act.

Condition 7 – Noise assessment

The condition states:

‘Prior to the installation of the proposed DP37 centrifuge, an acoustic assessment shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority to demonstrate that the sound rating level L_Ar,Tr of the plant when operating does not exceed the representative background sound level (LA90) at any residential curtilage established for the daytime (07:00 hours to 18:00 hours); evening (18:00 hours to 23:00 hours) and nighttime (23:00 hours to 07:00 hours) periods of interest. The assessment shall include full details of any mitigation measures necessary to achieve this standard for approval by the Local Planning Authority. Approved mitigation measures shall be implemented before the first operation of the plant and thereafter maintained.

Reason: To protect the amenity of nearby residents.’

Plans/Reports accompanying application:

- **Noise Impact Assessment**

Response:

For full details please see the submitted Noise Impact Assessment prepared by SLR Consulting Ltd., a summary is provided below.

The assessment concludes that operational sound levels associated with the proposed centrifuge have been predicted at the closest receptors using the calculation methodologies in ISO 9613-2:2024 using the proprietary sound modelling software CadnaA®.

The assessment has been made with reference to British Standard 4142:2014+A1:2019.

It has been concluded that, during all time periods, the rating level of proposed plant would not exceed the background sound level at all assessed receptors considered.

Based on this information, it is requested that condition 7 is fully discharged in respect of the details submitted for this development.



Please can you also confirm that no further information pertaining to conditions 1 and 7 will be required to be submitted and discharged prior to the commencement of development.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me on dhigginbotham@slrconsulting.com or by phone on 07974 062136

Regards



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