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Dear Ms Morton,
FAO: Appointed Inspector - Nigel Payne

Land at Wickham Golf Club, Wickham

We write in relation to the Wickham Summary Drainage Area Plan which was circulated on 13th July 2016, following the submission of examination statements. We believe that the Inspector should be aware of an important point on this matter concerning opportunities for Land at Wickham Golf Club to connect directly to the Wickham Sewerage Treatment Works thus avoiding any impact on the existing sewers. We hope that the Inspector will accept this letter on the basis that the additional information was available after the submission of examination statements.

The recently released Wickham Summary Drainage Area Plan, documents the existing capacity problems with the sewers serving Wickham. This states that there is no capacity in the existing network for new development without significant works to upgrade gravity sewers and the Fareham Road Wastewater Pumping Station with associated additional storage tanks.

We have applied to Southern Water for a level 2 Capacity Check, which we anticipate will show the nearest point of capacity to be the inlet works of the Wickham Wastewater Treatment Works. This is our preference, as it does not impact at all on any of the Wickham Sewage Network. As Figure 1 below shows the Wickham Golf Club site lies to the south west of Wickham. Land within the ownership of the golf club adjoins the treatment works providing a direct route for connection without the need to negotiate with third parties.



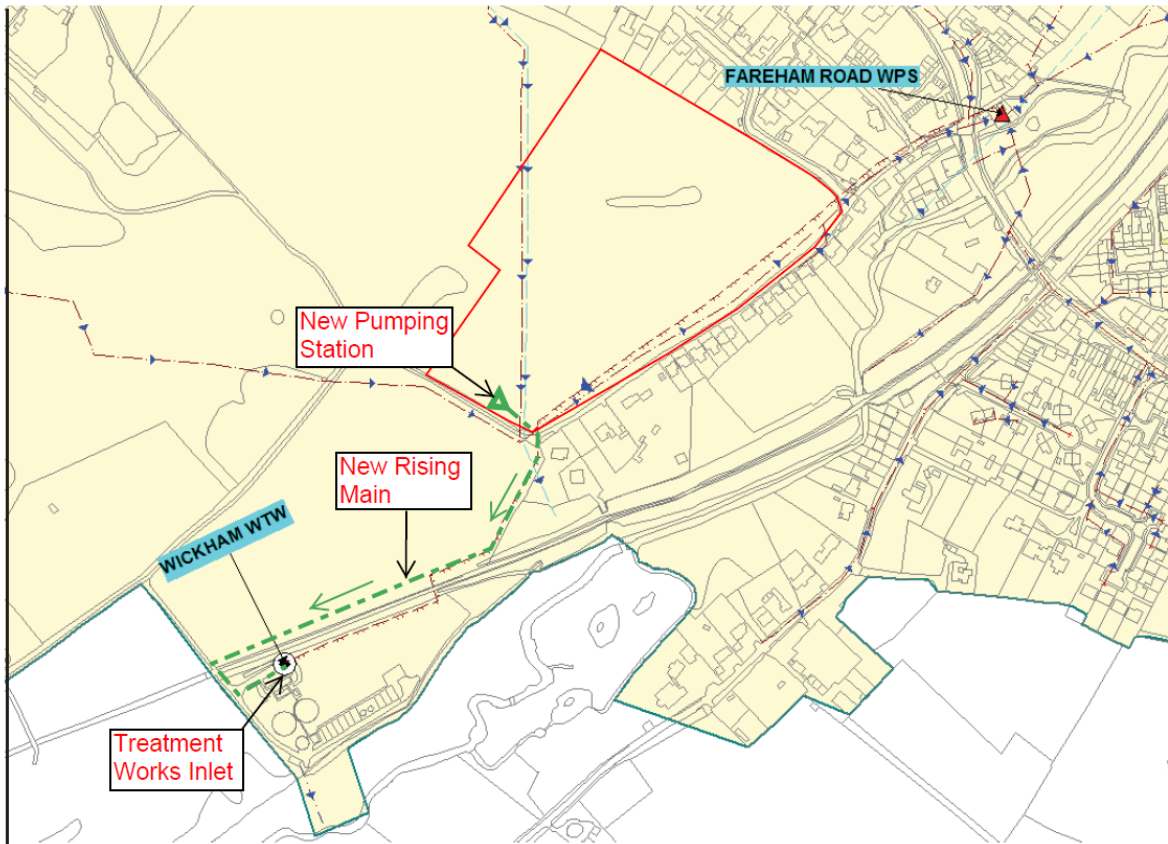


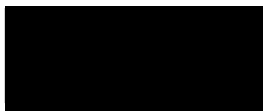
Figure 1 – Proposed development site in relation to the sewer network showing proposed indicative connection.

Therefore, Land at Wickham Golf Course presents the opportunity to connect directly to Wickham Waste Treatment Works thus avoiding any need to connect to existing sewers.

There was much debate at the examination about delaying development coming forward within Wickham until the appropriate mitigation has been found and put in place. The impact of this could be delays in the delivery of the proposed allocated sites and negative impacts on the Council’s housing delivery trajectory. The ability for Land at Wickham Golf course to connect directly represents another clear benefit of bring Land at Wickham Golf Club forward for development and further demonstrates the deliverability of the site.

If you have any questions or would like further information on this matter please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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