

Consultation Response from Highways England
2019/90527 Land at, Blue Hills Farm, Whitehall Road West, Birkenshaw, BD11 2DU
Outline application for the erection of up to 127 dwellings, with details of access
**Date Responded: 22ND
MARCH 2019**
**Responding Officer: PAULA
BEDFORD**
Responding Ref: 2019/90527

Thank you for your consultation on planning application 2019/90527.

Our review has highlighted several issues in relation to the proposed drainage solutions for the site that will require further clarification and discussion with Kirklees flood and drainage department before we will be able to make a formal recommendation, these are noted below:

- The proposed drainage solution appears to connect to the highway drain which is not permitted.
- We require clarity on the size of the drainage pipe and confirmation this is sufficient to deal with the level of water from the development.
- Our Highways Geotechnical Data Management System (HGDMS) indicates there may be water issues on the slope further to the west. We would want reassurance from the applicant in terms of evidence that the attenuation pond with its relative proximity to our cutting slope is adequate to deal with the level of water from the site and will not cause infiltration into our slope.
- The risk from old coal workings is classified as moderate. However, we still require clarity on whether the site is grouted as mitigation and if so require sight of the grouting details for reassurance that there is no effect on our network.

I therefore request that the application is not determined until these outstanding matters are resolved. I will look to arrange a meeting with the Kirklees flood & drainage department representative at the earliest opportunity.

I attach a HEPR16 to that effect for your records and please don't hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss this matter further.

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