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Dear Sir/Madam,

land off, Fenay Lane, Almondbury, Huddersfield, HD5 8UJ - (KIRK) - Erection of 6 dwellings, with associated access, landscaping, infrastructure and works

Thank you for consulting Yorkshire Water regarding the above proposed development. We have the following comments:

Yorkshire Water has no objection to the proposal.

Foul Water

As our powers under the Water Industry Act are limited it is important to ensure explicit control over the approach to foul water disposal in any planning permission. Should the site gain planning permission the development MUST take place with separate systems for foul and surface water drainage. The separate systems should extend to the points of discharge to be agreed.

It is noted from the submitted Drainage Strategy (26-255) dated 06/07/2026 prepared by Holdgate Consulting proposes foul water to be discharged to 450mm diameter sewer along Fenay Lane. This is acceptable to Yorkshire Water.

Surface Water

YWS encourages sustainable development, which includes ensuring appropriate surface water disposal to prevent unnecessary hydraulic loading. Volume arising from surface water flows can be many times greater than the foul flows from the same development. As a result they have the potential to use up a significant hydraulic capacity in our infrastructure. If we can minimise surface water flows entering the public sewer, we are able to significantly manage the impact of development on wastewater infrastructure and minimise the risk of flooding.





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The National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) sets out the principle of sustainable drainage, while the National Planning Practice Guidance (NPPG) and National Standards for Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) establish a hierarchy for surface water disposal. This hierarchy prioritises

1. Rainwater harvesting (non-potable use)
2. Infiltration to ground
3. Discharge to above ground SW body
4. Discharge to SW sewer
5. Discharge to combined sewer.

YWS seeks to promote this hierarchy in collaboration with Local Planning Authorities and developers to improve water quality and reduce flood risk.

The aforementioned Drainage Strategy proposes that surface water shall be discharged to the adjacent watercourse via attenuation at a maximum restricted flow rate of 5.0 litres per second. This is acceptable to Yorkshire Water.

The developer should note that further restrictions on surface water disposal from the site may be imposed by other parties. The developer is strongly advised to seek advice from the Environment Agency/Land Drainage Authority/Internal Drainage Board with regard to surface water disposal from the site. The landowners consent will be required for the construction of a new outfall structure.

As surface water from the site is not proposed to discharge to the public sewer network, no assessment of the capacity of the public sewers to receive surface water has been undertaken. Should the surface water disposal proposals change, further consultation with Yorkshire Water will be required. Therefore, we recommend the below surface water conditions.

Recommended Condition

The development shall be carried out in accordance with the details shown on the submitted plan, "Drainage Strategy (26-255) dated 06/07/2026 prepared by Holdgate Consulting", unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority.

(In the interest of satisfactory and sustainable drainage)

Yours faithfully

Sarah Webb
Town Planning Co-ordinator

