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Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council
Planning Department
Unit 5 Triangle Business Park
Pentrebach
Merthyr Tydfil
CF48 4TQ

Dear Sir/Madam,

Cyfarthfa Retail Park, Swansea Road, Merthyr Tydfil, CF48 1HY
Proposed Installation of Drainage Gullies in Car Park

This planning application is made on behalf of Corona Vulcan Merthyr Limited, the owners of Cyfarthfa Retail Park, for the installation of drainage gullies in part of the car park on the southwest side of Swansea Road that serves the existing McDonald's restaurant (Unit A), Greggs (Unit 13), Subway (Unit 13B), and KFC (Unit B).

The existing sustainable drainage system at the Retail Park was designed to attenuate surface water run-off from the car park to ensure that water is appropriately discharged from the site.

During periods of heavy rainfall the water cannot disperse through the system quickly enough and in certain locations pooling is occurring where raised kerbs at the end of the rows of parking bays act as a barrier preventing water from draining away from the bays. See photograph below.



Installing the drainage channels and gullies at the edge of these parking bays in the locations shown on the submitted drawings will enable surface water to flow into the existing attenuation tanks more efficiently thereby alleviating the pooling that occurs during heavy rainfall.

This proposal is consistent with the drainage channels/gullies that were installed in the main part of the car park to alleviate pooling of water, as approved under planning permission P/16/0209.

We have enclosed below the typical details for the drainage system that was submitted with application P/16/0209 (MEA Drainage Systems). This is submitted with this application for information only as a general guide to specification and is not submitted for approval.

The proposed linear drainage channels will be installed to match the style of existing drainage elsewhere in the retail park (typically ACO or equivalent). Exact specification is subject to detailed design.

As noted in Sustainable Drainage (SuDS) Statutory Guidance, Schedule 3 to the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 does not apply to retrofit and existing drainage systems. This proposal is also not for a new development or a type of construction work for which SAB approval is required in accordance with Article 6 of the Sustainable Drainage (Approval and Adoption) (Wales) Order 2018. No Drainage Statement is required in support of this application.

The following drawings and documents are submitted;

- Completed planning application forms and Certificate A;
- Drawing 11428-F&B-PL-L02-A – Location Plan;
- Drawing 11428-F&B-PL-L01-A – Proposed Surface Water Drainage;
- MEA Drainage Systems - Installation instructions (for information only, not for approval)

Please contact Colin Burnett at this office if you have any queries or require further information.

Yours sincerely

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