

Merthyr Tydfil County Council
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Unit 5 Triangle Business Park
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Merthyr Tydfil
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Date: 14/04/2022
Our Ref: PLA0064558
Your Ref: P/22/0075

Dear Sir/Madam

Grid Ref: SO046063 304639 206380

Site: Martin Evans House, Riverside Court, Merthyr Tydfil

Development: Change of use from offices to a hotel with a bar/restaurant

We refer to your planning consultation relating to the above site, and we can provide the following comments in respect to the proposed development.

Having had an opportunity to review the application submission package, we advise that the proposed development site is crossed by a number of strategic public sewers with the approximate position being marked on the attached Statutory Public Sewer Record. Under Section 159 of the Water Industry Act 1991, Dwr Cymru Welsh Water has rights of access to its apparatus at all times, and as such would require a minimum easement of 3.5 metres either side of the centreline of the 700mm combined and 3 metres either side of the centreline of the 100mm and 150mm foul water public sewers. However, having regard to the submitted Plans (drawing ref no. 825.001 and 825.002), it appears that there is no intention to extend the existing building.

Turning to the potable water supply, we have tried to contact the Consultant to obtain the estimated flow rates for the proposed hotel, as the current water supply system may not have sufficient capacity to accommodate this change of use.

Therefore, in the absence of this information we would request the **Conditions and Advisory Notes** listed below are included, if minded to grant Planning Consent for the above development, to ensure no detriment to existing residents or the environment and to Dwr Cymru Welsh Water's assets.

Conditions

Water Supply

No development shall take place until a potable water scheme to serve the site has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The scheme shall demonstrate that the existing water supply network can suitably accommodate the proposed development site. If necessary, a scheme to reinforce the existing public water supply network in order to accommodate the site shall be delivered prior to the occupation of any building. Thereafter, the agreed scheme shall be constructed in full and remain in perpetuity.

Reason: To ensure the site is served by a suitable potable water supply.

SEWERAGE

No surface water from any increase in the roof area of the building /or impermeable surfaces within its curtilage shall be allowed to drain directly or indirectly to the public sewerage system.

Reason: To prevent hydraulic overloading of the public sewerage system, to protect the health and safety of existing residents and ensure no pollution of or detriment to the environment.

The approved use shall not commence until an adequate grease trap has been fitted in accordance with details that have been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. Thereafter the grease trap shall be maintained so as to prevent grease entering the public sewerage system.

Reason: To protect the integrity of the public sewage system and ensure the free flow of sewage.

ASSET PROTECTION

The proposed development site is crossed by a public sewer with the approximate position being marked on the attached Statutory Public Sewer Record. The position shall be accurately located and marked out on site before works commence and no operational development shall be carried out within 3.5 metres either side of the centreline of the 700mm public combined sewer and 3 metres either side of the centreline of the 100mm and 150mm foul water public sewers.



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Advisory Notes

As of 07/01/2019, this proposed development is subject to Schedule 3 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010. The development therefore may require approval of Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) features, in accordance with the 'Statutory standards for sustainable drainage systems – designing, constructing, operating and maintaining surface water drainage systems'. It is therefore recommended that the developer engage in consultation with Merthyr Council, as the determining SuDS Approval Body (SAB), in relation to their proposals for SuDS features. Please note, Dwr Cymru Welsh Water is a statutory consultee to the SAB application process and will provide comments to any SuDS proposals by response to SAB consultation.

The applicant may need to apply to Dwr Cymru / Welsh Water for any connection to the public sewer under S106 of the Water industry Act 1991. If the connection to the public sewer network is either via a lateral drain (i.e. a drain which extends beyond the connecting property boundary) or via a new sewer (i.e. serves more than one property), it is now a mandatory requirement to first enter into a Section 104 Adoption Agreement (Water Industry Act 1991). The design of the sewers and lateral drains must also conform to the Welsh Ministers Standards for Gravity Foul Sewers and Lateral Drains and conform with the publication "Sewers for Adoption"- 7th Edition. Further information can be obtained via the Developer Services pages of www.dwrcymru.com

The planning permission hereby granted does not extend any rights to carry out any works to the public sewerage or water supply systems without first having obtained the necessary permissions required by the Water industries Act 1991. Any alterations to existing premises resulting in the creation of additional premises or merging of existing premises must also be constructed so that each is separately connected to the Company's water main and can be separately metered. Please contact our new connections team on 0800 917 2652 for further information on water and sewerage connections.

The applicant is also advised that some public sewers and lateral drains may not be recorded on our maps of public sewers because they were originally privately owned and were transferred into public ownership by nature of the Water Industry (Schemes for Adoption of Private Sewers) Regulations 2011. Under the Water Industry Act 1991 Dwr Cymru Welsh Water has rights of access to its apparatus at all times.

Our response is based on the information provided by your application. Should the proposal alter during the course of the application process we kindly request that we are re-consulted and reserve the right to make new representation.



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If you have any queries, please contact the undersigned on 0800 917 2652 or via email at developer.services@dwrwymru.com

Please quote our reference number in all communications and correspondence.

Yours faithfully,

Maria Evans
Development Control Officer
Developer Services



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