

Application address Land South Of Pumping Station Aston Flamville Road Burbage Leicestershire	Planning ref. 26/00314/REM
	Our ref. 2026/0314/04/RM
Description Approval of reserved matters (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) of outline planning permission 23/00673/OUT for 105 dwellings (northern parcel)	Consultation date 14/04/2026
	Response date 21/05/2026
Planning officer Matt Jedruch	Reviewing officer Danielle Degville
Application type Reserved Matters	Extension requested ☐
No concerns ☐	Further consultation required ☒

Lead Local Flood Authority Key Observations

Whilst this reserved matters application does not look to address drainage as an issue, the appearance, layout, landscaping and scale of the site may alter dependent upon the drainage required for the development. Information regarding the drainage plans needs to be submitted to ensure they align with the layout and scale of the proposals, and the commitments made at outline approval.

The National Standards for SuDS (NSS) requires the retention of the first 5mm of rainfall on-site, and NPPF pushes for SuDS on all major applications. Therefore, features such as permeable paving, rain gardens, tree pits, swales, etc. must be provided on site. As this is a reserved matters application this information needs to be included at this stage in order for any approval to fix the layout. The developer needs to clearly indicate how the development proposals are in line with Standard 2 of the NSS. Any departure from the NSS should be substantiated in full.

Leicestershire County Council as the LLFA advises the LPA that the application documents as submitted are insufficient for the LLFA to provide a substantive response at this stage. In order to provide a substantive response information on drainage plans and SuDS is required, to a sufficient detail to support the proposed layout, landscaping and surface finishing.

Note: Reserved matters applications are reviewed by the LLFA in relation to details such as 'access', 'appearance', 'landscaping', 'layout' and 'scale' only, in line with article 2 of the Town and Country Planning Order 2015. This response does not consider any surface water specific conditions which must be consulted on separately once the reserved matters are approved by the LPA.

Standing Advice to the Local Planning Authority

1. Standing Advice – National Planning Policy Framework

When determining planning applications, the local planning authority should ensure flood risk is not increased elsewhere and only consider development appropriate in areas at risk of flooding where informed by a site-specific Flood Risk Assessment (FRA) confirming it will not put the users of the development at risk. Where an FRA is applicable this should be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework and accompanying Planning Practice Guidance.

2. Standing Advice – Consent

Where there are any works proposed as part of an application which are likely to affect flows in an ordinary watercourse or ditch, the applicant will require consent under Section 23 of the Land Drainage Act 1991. This is in addition to any planning permission that may be granted.

Guidance on this process and a sample application form can be found via the following website:
<http://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/flood-risk-management>

Applicants are advised to refer to Leicestershire County Council's culverting policy contained within the Local Flood Risk Management Strategy Appendix document, available at the above link. No development should take place within 5 metres of any watercourse or ditch without first contacting the County Council for advice.

3. Standing Advice – Maintenance

Note that it is the responsibility of the Local Planning Authority under the DEFRA/DCLG legislation (April 2015) to ensure that a system to facilitate the future maintenance of SuDS features can be managed and maintained in perpetuity before commencement of the works.

Additional information and guidance is available here:

<https://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/environment-and-planning/flooding-and-drainage/>

Note: Response provided by the Lead Local Flood Authority under the delegated authority of the Director of the Growth, Environment and Transport Department.