

DECLARATION OF WORKS

Building over (or close to) a public sewer or lateral drain

Declaration of works at

House No _____

Street _____

Town _____

Postcode _____

Property Owners

Names _____

Are the legal owners of the above property OR I _____

Confirm that I have power of attorney to act on behalf of the legal owners.
(Please provide a copy of the power of attorney with this form)

Contact Details

Telephone _____ Email _____

Nature of Proposal

South West Water will consider providing consent to build over or close to public sewers and lateral drains if the build relates to the extension of a domestic property only

The proposed construction will be

Over a public sewer/lateral drain

Close to a public sewer/lateral drain

Side extension

Front extension

Rear extension

Other – Please specify _____

If you are BUILDING OVER a public sewer or lateral drain please complete ALL questions, if you are BUILDING CLOSE to a public sewer please complete questions 1-10.

- 1 I/we are not aware of any historic blockages, flooding, odour or other operational issues with the sewer/lateral drain.
- 2 I/we are not aware of any easements or restrictive covenants which would prohibit build works over or close to the sewer or lateral drain.
- 3 The sewer/drain is gravity based foul, storm water or combined from domestic properties (i.e not pumped)
- 4 Depth of pipe from the existing ground level to the pipe channel (invert) is less than 2m.
- 5 The diameter of the sewer/drain is 225mm or less.
- 6 The sewer is made of: Clay Concrete Plastic Other (please state).....
- 7 The proposed structure will not be built over any access point (manhole, inspection chamber or rodding eye). No access point will need to be moved and there will be a minimum easement of 500mm between any access point and new build.
- 8 The development proposals will utilise strip/trench fill foundations.
- 9 Where foundations are within 1m of the sewer/lateral drain (horizontally), they will be formed at a depth of no less the 150mm below the pipe invert level.
- 10 When building close to a public sewer or lateral drain, please confirm the shortest horizontal distance from the external face of your building to the pipe. Distance in metres.....

If you are BUILDING OVER a public sewer or lateral drain, please also answer the questions below

- 11 I/we have either verified that the sewer/lateral drain which I/we propose to build over is in good condition as confirmed by a CCTV survey **OR**:
 I/we intend to verify the condition of the sewer/lateral drain by exposing the whole length of the pipe which is intended to be built over. I/we acknowledge that liability for rectifying any defects with the sewer/drain rests with me/us and that any works to the sewer/drain will need to be agreed in advance with South West Water as detailed in the build over guidance notes.
- 12 There is no change in diameter, direction, material or gradient beneath the area of the proposed build.
- 13 The proposal does not involve an infill structure from one boundary to another where there are already structures on both sides – e.g an extension which extends across the whole width of the garden, in instances where adjoining terraced properties have already done this.
- 14 If the sewer/lateral drain passes through a load-bearing wall, it will be protected in line with H4 (Building Regulations 2000) and/or supplementary technical drawing set out in our guidance document.
- 15 Excluding where the sewer may pass through a load-bearing wall, 500mm horizontal clearance will be achieved between the edge of the new foundations and the sewer/lateral drain.
- 16 A minimum 300mm headroom will be achieved between the underside of a suspended floor

I/we confirm that my/our development proposals comply with the above points. I/we also accept that any discrepancies with information relied upon within this document which is later revealed, or any failure to adhere to elements such as establishing the pipe condition (repairing any defects) will render South West Water's consent invalid.

Signed: _____ **Dated:** _____

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