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Dear Sir/Madam

**Blofield: Blofield Primary School East side of Plantation Road Blofield Norwich NR13 4PL: Discharge of Planning Condition No. 23 (Fire Water Tank and Hydrants) of planning permission reference FUL/2022/0055: Executive Director Of Children's Services**

I refer to your application for the discharge of condition number 23 in relation to planning permission reference FUL/2022/0055, dated 13.03.24.

I can confirm that, following consideration of the details submitted, condition 23 is hereby discharged in part. Please note that in connection with the information relating to the proposed alternative scheme to tackle any property fire, Norfolk Fire & Rescue Service (NFRS) require that evidential recording of the water level is put in place to ensure that maximum capacity is maintained at all times, and this shall be written into the Operation and Maintenance manuals as a requirement, in addition to the periodic inspection and maintenance of the tank. They also require the access chamber to be in a suitable location which opens directly into the main body of the tank.

NFRS require the underground fire water storage tank to be installed by an approved specialist sub-contractor, complete with access turrets and inspection ladders, air vents and suction pipework, with a fire hose connection kit in accordance with BS 336. Suitable access for a fire appliance is required within 8 metres of the hose connection, and Emergency Water Supply (EWS) signage shall be provided and approved by Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service.

They state that the pit excavation shall have a well compacted gravel base >150mm thick and backfill around and over the tank shall be with round-grained gravel; maximum grain size 8/16. Temporary trench side supports will be needed and shall be removed when no longer required. The tank shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's

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instructions and their recommended clearances around the tank shall be observed while the trench is open.

Please note that condition 23 cannot be fully discharged until the hydrant serving the property has been provided to the satisfaction of the Council in consultation with Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service.

Please also note that the following conditions relating to application ref: FUL/2022/0055 will need to be discharged at the appropriate time as follows:

- Prior to the first use of the development – conditions 4,5,9,10
- Within 6 months of the first occupation of the development – condition 11
- Following completion of the development – conditions 12,14,15,16,17
- Within the first planting season (October to March) following completion of the development – condition 13.

If you have any queries, I should be pleased if you would contact the case officer, Kate Lawty, at this office on 01603 222751.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nick Johnson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Nick Johnson  
Head of Planning