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Date: 8 September 2015

Dear Sir/ Madam

Re: 15/01326/OUT 15/01128/OUT 15/01365/F

These applications do not fall within any of the categories of development in our External Consultation List. The list includes types of development for which we are a statutory consultee, as well as those we wish to be consulted on because of their potential impact on the environment.

Using the list when deciding whether to consult us on applications will ensure that we are only consulted on the correct types of proposed development, and save time and resources for both you and us. I have attached a copy of the list with this email.

Please note that while we are not providing comments on these planning applications, this letter does not indicate that permission will be given by the Environment Agency as a regulatory body. We have a regulatory role in issuing legally required consents, permits or licences for various activities.

Since 15 April, we are no longer statutory consultees for surface water for sites over one hectare. Responsibility for assessing surface water drainage proposals for major applications is passed to the relevant Lead Local Flood Authority (LLFA) from this date which in this case is Oxfordshire County Council. We may still comment on surface water drainage concerning contamination or pollution prevention.

The applicant should contact 08708 506 506 or consult our website to establish if consent will be required for the works they are proposing. Please see <u>https://www.gov.uk/</u><u>environmental-permit-how-to-apply/overview</u>.

Any works in, over, under, or within 8 metres of the top of the bank of a designated Main River will also require our formal consent. Please contact 08708 506 506 to find out more information about Flood Defence Consents.

If you have any specific queries relating to a planning application, please contact planning-wallingford@environment-agency.gov.uk.

Yours faithfully,

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