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Dear [REDACTED]

EIR Reference: EIR/ID/493

Thank you for your request for environmental information. We appreciate your interest, and we want to let you know that your request has been carefully considered in accordance with the Environmental Information Regulations (EIR).

Your request

We understand that Manchester City Council consulted you earlier this year as a statutory consultee, regarding the proposal by MMU, Step Places and Southway Housing to build on Ryebank Fields in Chorlton, Manchester.

We wondered whether you would be willing to share your response with us, as Manchester Council do not publish any responses on the Planning Portal until 5 days before the relevant planning committee, and we would find it very helpful to have seen the different responses from key organisations before that time.

Our response

We can confirm that we are happy to share our response with you which we have attached. For information, although United Utilities is not a statutory consultee in the planning application process, our planning team proactively reviews applications which are published on Local Authority websites to identify any proposals that might impact our assets and services, in addition to planning applications that are sent directly to the team for comment.

Through our responses to planning applications, we seek to mitigate the risk to UU assets and infrastructure and the services we provide to our customers. If appropriate we recommend conditions to be attached to subsequent Decision Notices to control how drainage is delivered, and assets and infrastructure are protected.

Whilst we can make comments, recommend planning conditions and where appropriate, object to planning applications, the final decision on any application proposal, and whether planning conditions should be included, rests with the Local Planning Authority as decision maker. Any interaction we have within the planning system must reflect our statutory obligations, which include a developer's right to connect to the public sewer network.

We hope that this response answers your request. However, if you're not satisfied with how we've handled it, you can request an internal review. To do this, please write to us at Environmental Information Office, Haweswater House, Lingley Mere, Warrington, WA5 3LP or email us at EIRRequests@uuplc.co.uk, addressing your request to [REDACTED]

██████████ and explaining why you're unhappy with our response. We'll be very happy to review your request and ensure we've done everything we can to assist you.

Any request for an internal review should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this response, and we will reply within 40 working days from receipt of the request for internal review.

Kind regards