



Planning and Building Control  
Shepway District Council  
Civic Centre  
Castle Hill Avenue  
Folkestone  
Kent  
CT20 2QY

Your ref  
Y19/1408/FH

Our ref  
PLAN-031117

Date  
09/01/2020

Contact  
Tel 0330 303 0119

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Proposal:** Change of use and conversion of existing vacant bank to an office (Class B1) and residential flat on ground floor and four self contained flats on the upper floors. Erection of rear extension containing three self contained flats.

**Site:** Y19/1408/FH: -Natwest, 48 Cheriton High Street, Folkestone, Kent, CT19 4HB.

Thank you for your letter dated 20/12/2019.

The attached plan shows that the proposed development will lie over an existing public foul sewer which will not be acceptable to Southern Water. The exact position of the public sewer must be determined on site by the applicant before the layout of the proposed development is finalised.

It might be possible to divert the sewer, so long as this would result in no unacceptable loss of hydraulic capacity, and the work was carried out at the developer's expense to the satisfaction of Southern Water under the relevant statutory provisions.

- The public foul sewer requires a clearance of 3 metres on either side of the gravity sewer to protect it from construction works and to allow for future access for maintenance.
- No development or tree planting should be carried out within 3 metres of the external edge of the public gravity sewer without consent from Southern Water.
- No new soakaways should be located within 5 metres of a public sewer.
- All existing infrastructure should be protected during the course of construction works.

Alternatively, the applicant may wish to amend the site layout, or combine a diversion with amendment of the site layout. If the applicant would prefer to advance these options, items above also apply.

In order to protect drainage apparatus, Southern Water requests that if consent is granted, a condition is attached to the planning permission; for example, the developer must advise the local authority (in consultation with Southern Water) of the measures which will be undertaken to divert the public sewers, prior to the commencement of the development.

Furthermore, it is possible that a sewer now deemed to be public could be crossing the development site. Therefore, should any sewer be found during construction works, an investigation of the sewer will be required to ascertain its ownership before any further works commence on site.

Southern Water requires a formal application for any new connection to the public foul and surface water sewer to be made by the applicant or developer. We request that should this application receive planning approval, the following informative is attached to the consent:

A formal application for connection to the public sewerage system is required in order to service this development. Please read our New Connections Services Charging Arrangements documents which has now been published and is available to read on our website via the following link <https://beta.southernwater.co.uk/infrastructure-charges>

The disposal of surface water from this development should be in compliance with the following hierarchy of Part H3 of Building Regulations:

- a) An adequate soakaway or some other adequate infiltration system.
- b) A water course.
- c) Where neither of the above is practicable: a sewer.

The design of the proposed basements and on site drainage system should consider the possibility of surcharging within the public sewerage system in order to provide the protection from the risk of flooding.

For further advice, please contact Southern Water, Southern House, Yeoman Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN13 3NX (Tel: 0330 303 0119).

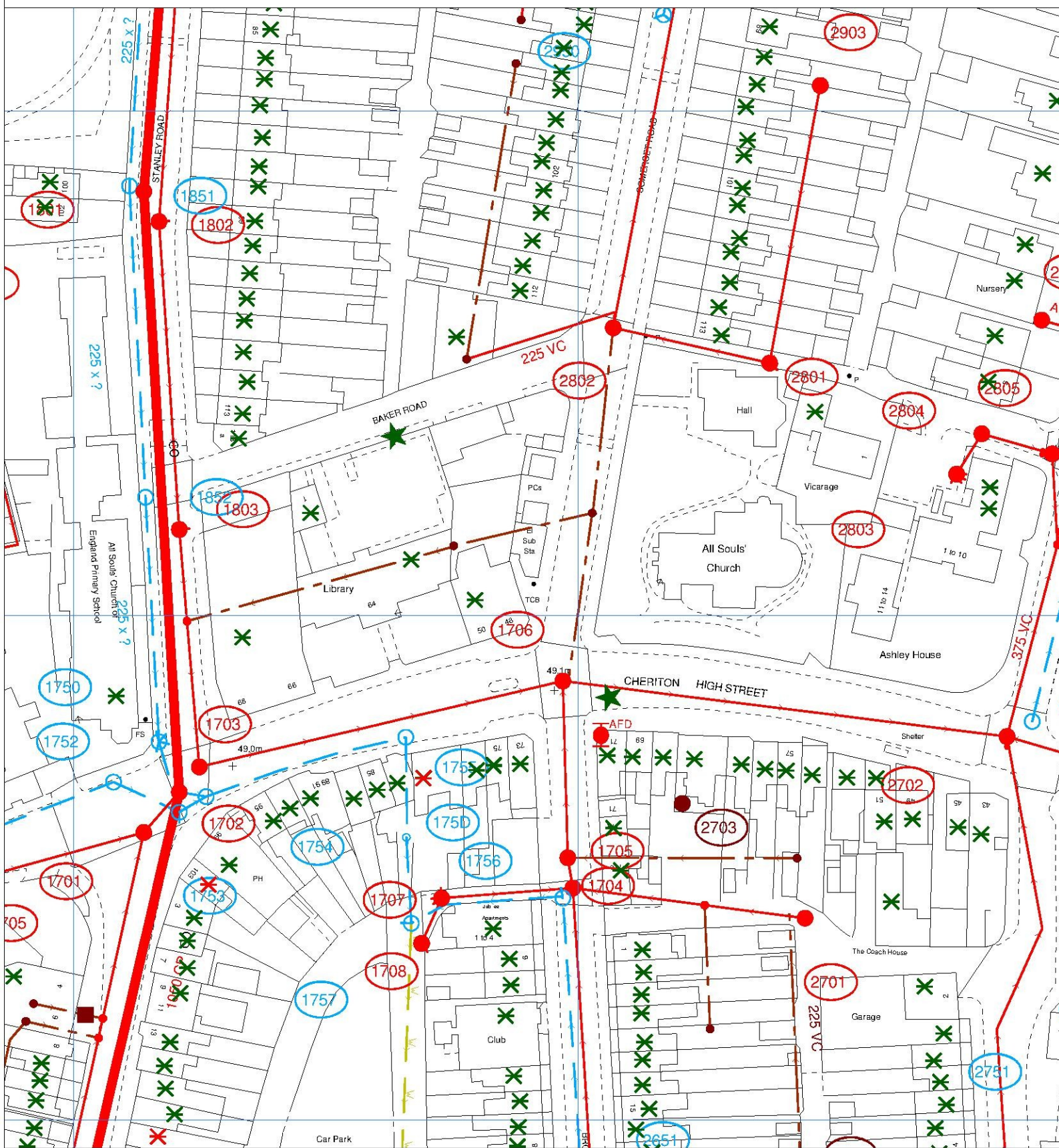
Website: [www.southernwater.co.uk](http://www.southernwater.co.uk) or by email at: [developerservices@southernwater.co.uk](mailto:developerservices@southernwater.co.uk)

Yours faithfully,



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**Business Channels**

# SOUTHERN WATER



The positions of pipes shown on this plan are believed to be correct, but Southern Water Services Ltd accept no responsibility in the event of inaccuracy. The actual positions should be determined on site.

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