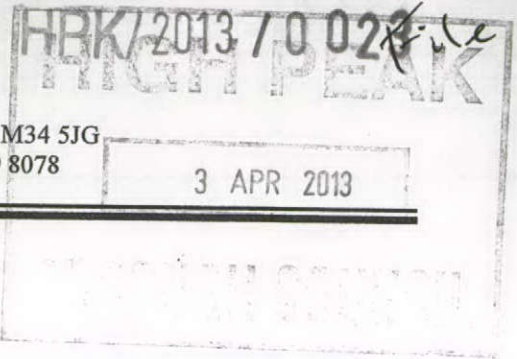


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For the attention of Hayley Gallacher

Dear Hayley

Re: Bankwood Mill Planning Application B8 to B1

Further to your request for a Flood Risk Assessment in your letter of 16th January 2013, we set out below the risks, interpretation and suitability of the above scheme in accordance with the Planning Policy Statement 25 – Development and Flood Risk (revised March 2010).

I have set out below each zoning (1, 2 and 3) and appropriate use classes of each. This application is in ZONE 2.

Zone 1 Low Probability

Definition: This zone comprises of land assessed as having a less than 1 in 1000 annual probability of river or sea flooding (<0.1%).

Appropriate uses for Zone 1

All uses of land are appropriate in Zone 1.

The second assessment is with regard to the existing agricultural buildings which require consent from B8 to B1 on the lower part of the site, these are clearly sited in flood Zone 2 (as illustrated on the attached Environment Agency Flood Map for the Etherow Valley).

Zone 2 Medium Probability

Definition: This zone comprises of land assessed as having between a 1 in 100 and 1 in 1000 annual probability of flooding (1% - 0.1%), or between 1 in 200 and 1 in 1000 annual probability of sea flooding (0.5% - 0.1%) in any year.

Appropriate uses for Zone 2

The water compatible, less vulnerable and more vulnerable uses of land and essential infrastructure in Table D2 are appropriate in this zone.

Table D2 lists the following

Essential Infrastructure:

- Essential transport infrastructure (including mass evacuation routes) which has to cross the area at risk.
- Essential utility infrastructure which has to be located in a flood risk area for operational reasons, including electricity generating power stations and grid and primary substations; and water treatment works that need to remain operational in times of flood.
- Wind turbines.

More Vulnerable:

- Hospitals.
- Residential institutions such as residential care homes, children's homes, social services homes, prisons and hostels.
- Buildings used for: dwelling houses; student halls of residence; drinking establishments; nightclubs; and hotels.
- Non-residential uses for health services, nurseries and educational establishments.
- Landfill and sites used for waste management facilities for hazardous waste.
- Sites used for holiday or short-let caravans and camping, **subject to a specific warning and evacuation plan.**

Less Vulnerable

- Police, ambulance and fire stations which are **not** required to be operational during flooding.
- Buildings used for: shops; financial, professional and other services; restaurants and cafes; hot food takeaways; offices; general industry; storage and distribution; non-residential institutions not included in 'more vulnerable'; and assembly and leisure.
- Land and buildings used for agriculture and forestry.
- Waste treatment (except landfill and hazardous waste facilities).
- Minerals working and processing (except for sand and gravel working).
- Water treatment works which do **not** need to remain operational during times of flood.
- Sewage treatment works (if adequate measures to control pollution and manage sewage during flooding events are in place).

Water-compatible Development

- Flood control infrastructure.
- Water transmission infrastructure and pumping stations.
- Sewage transmission infrastructure and pumping stations.
- Sand and gravel workings.
- Docks, marinas and wharves.
- Navigation facilities.
- MOD defence installations.
- Ship building, repairing and dismantling, dockside fish processing and refrigeration and compatible activities requiring a waterside location.
- Water-based recreation (excluding sleeping accommodation).
- Lifeguard and coastguard stations.
- Amenity open space, nature conservation and biodiversity, outdoor sports and recreation and essential facilities such as changing rooms.
- Essential ancillary sleeping or residential accommodation for staff required by uses in this category, **subject to a specific warning and evacuation plan.**

Clearly these buildings and structures are also entirely suitable in Zone 2.

The third assessment is with regard to Zone 3. This can be clearly seen from the attached Environment Agency Flood Map for the Etherow Valley. None of the application is in Zone 3, so whilst I have included D2 listings it is not applicable to this application.

Zone 3a High Probability

Definition: The water compatible uses and less vulnerable uses of land in Table D2 are appropriate in this zone.

Table D2 lists the following

Less Vulnerable

- Police, ambulance and fire stations which are **not** required to be operational during flooding.
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We therefore conclude that the application for change of use from B8 to B1 is entirely appropriate to its zoning and no further works or investigations are required.

Should you require any further information, please contact us.

Yours sincerely


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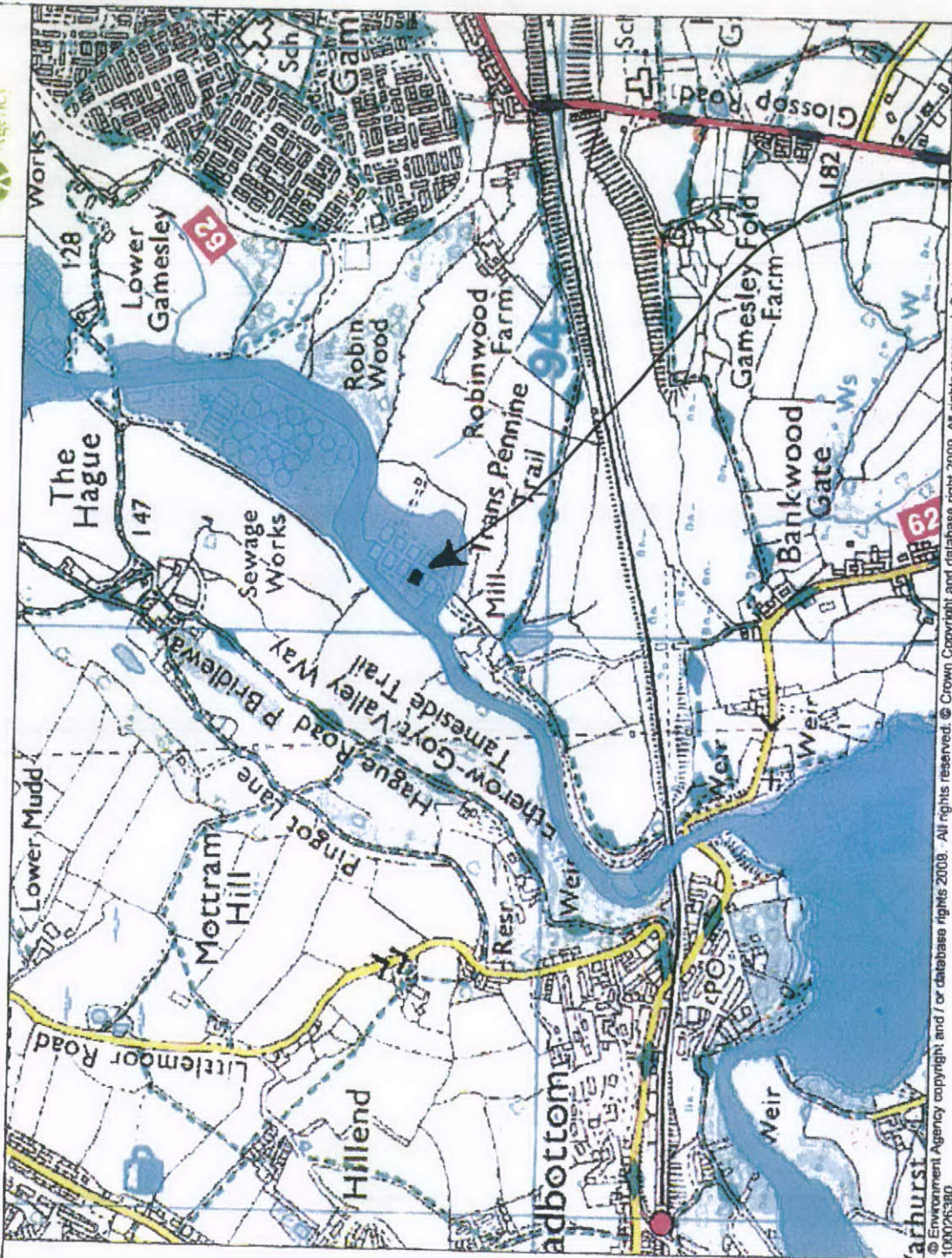
Flood Map centred on Bankwood Mill Bankwood Charlesworth SK13 5ER.



- Legend**
- Flood Map - Defences
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 - Flood Map - Flood Zone 3
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Flooding Potential

Being adjacent to the River Etherow a standard flood enquiry to the Environment Agency has revealed all existing or proposed residential dwellings are outside flood zones 2 and 3, all other buildings are in flood zone 2 and only paddock land along the fringes of the River Etherow are in flood zone 3. The above copy plan from the Environment Agency confirms this.



LOCATION OF APPLICATION BUILDING B8 TO B1