

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to make a representation in relation to the Local Development Policy FRD01. Whilst I appreciate the public consultation for the Local Development Plan has closed. It has only come to our attention following a recent planning appeal that a new or existing access road within a flood plain would no longer be approved (see Planning Appeal Reference 2024/A0059), this is a change to how the previous policy PPS 15 was applied, despite there being very little change in the wording between the previous PPS 15 Policy and the new Local Development Plan Policy FRD1. The interpretation also highlights a conflict between the Policy FRD1 and Policy FRD4 which permits the construction of an access over a river/floodplain.

Due to this change in interpretation we would request that the following exception be added to FRD1 within undefended areas to avoid ambiguity:

Development which uses an existing access or the construction of a new accesses in accordance with FRD4

I do appreciate that this response is after the LDP consultation has closed, however we were not expecting other public authorities to change there interpretation of what is effectively the same policy.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

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Flood Risk Assessments: Drainage Assessments: Drainage Design: River Modelling: Discharge Consents

