

Client: Reside Developments

Location: East Sussex

Sectors: Residential

Services: Sustainable Drainage Systems, Transport Planning

Project overview: A review and update of the drainage strategy helped to alleviate inspector concerns and win an appeal to build 21 homes.

Added value:

- Much-needed new housing
- Pedestrian safety and accessibility enhanced
- New children's play area delivered

Land West of Oxbottom Lane, Newick

Reside Developments recently celebrated a positive outcome for an application to build 21 homes on a greenfield site in Newick, East Sussex. An appeal was upheld following a protracted process involving three planning committee reviews.

Resolution to grant outline consent was received in 2023 but the application was called back because of a procedural dispute. After the second committee meeting, a decision was postponed due to questions about proposed drainage arrangements. The development was later refused on landscaping grounds.

The Motion infrastructure team was then invited to review and update the drainage strategy to alleviate concerns at appeal stage. The inspector concluded that any earlier issues about drainage had been addressed, and was satisfied that the layout and drainage strategy were achievable with a design controlled by planning conditions.

The site has since been sold for development. Once built, the scheme will deliver a children's play area and much-needed affordable homes. Safety and accessibility will be enhanced with new footways, upgraded bus stops and road crossing points. Transport planning advice was also provided by the Motion team.



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