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**Our ref:** NO/2024/116400/01-L01  
**Your ref:** 4/24/2355/0F1  
**Date:** 13 November 2024

Dear Ms Burns

**COMMUNITY LEISURE CENTRE AND ASSOCIATED PARKING AND  
LANDSCAPING INCLUDING FORMATION OF TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION  
COMPOUND.**

**MILLOM SCHOOL, SALTHOUSE ROAD, MILLOM**

Thank you for consulting us on the above application, received 31 October 2024.

**Environment Agency position**

We have no objections to the development as proposed, however we do wish to make the following comments:-

The application is accompanied by a Flood Risk Assessment (FRA), produced by Geol Consultants Limited (GEOL) (referenced: GEOL22-8471; dated: 20/04/2023).

As a result of the FRA, the applicant, as owners of the existing property, will be aware of the potential flood risk and frequency, and that a small portion of the northwestern edge of the All Weather Sports Pitch to be resurfaced is indicated as being at risk of tidal flooding. The applicant should be satisfied that the impact of any flooding will not adversely affect their proposals.

**Environmental permit - advice to applicant**

Salthouse Pool is a designated statutory main river.

The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 require a permit to be obtained for any activities which will take place:

- on or within 8 metres of a main river (16 metres if tidal)

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Lutra House Walton Summit, Bamber Bridge, Preston, PR5 8BX.  
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- on or within 8 metres of a flood defence structure or culverted main river (16 metres if tidal)
- on or within 16 metres of a sea defence
- involving quarrying or excavation within 16 metres of any main river, flood defence (including a remote defence) or culvert
- in the floodplain of a main river if the activity could affect flood flow or storage and potential impacts are not controlled by a planning permission

For further guidance please visit <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/flood-risk-activities-environmental-permits> or contact our National Customer Contact Centre on 03708 506 506. The applicant should not assume that a permit will automatically be forthcoming once planning permission has been granted, and we advise them to consult with us at the earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely

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