

Bury Metropolitan Borough Council
Knowsley Street, Bury, BL9 0SW

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Application to discharge condition 13 - Details of impacts to and measures to protect private water supplies on planning permission 66947 - Proposed works for and use of replacement section of aqueduct, including earthworks and ancillary infrastructure including: new valve house buildings and kiosk with permanent vehicular access provision; installation of tunnel shafts and open cut connection areas within a temporary construction compound, to include site access, storage areas, plant and machinery, drainage infrastructure and a residents' parking area. In addition, mine grouting works, to facilitate main tunnelling works.

Land to east of M66 motorway, connecting Rochdale Road, Edenfield to Woodgate Hill WTW Compound, Bury

Dear Helen Leach,

Thank you for contacting the Environment Agency on the above application on 15 July 2026.

Environment Agency Position

We note the applicant's confirmation dated 15/07/2026 that no dewatering activities will take place during Phases 1 and 2 at Woodgate Hill.

On the basis of this confirmation, we have no objection to the discharge of Condition 13 in respect of Phases 1 and 2 of the Haweswater Aqueduct Resilience Programme. Condition 13 requires the identification of private water supplies and any necessary mitigation measures on a phase by phase basis.

It is noted that additional information relating to dewatering activities proposed within future phases of the development will be submitted, in accordance with the Environment Agency's consultation response dated 10/07/2026.

The Environment Agency's position in relation to those future phases remains unchanged.

Should dewatering be required during subsequent phases, it is strongly recommended that any necessary abstraction licence application is submitted at the earliest opportunity, as current determination timescales are approximately 6 to 8 months.

Please forward a copy of this letter to the applicant.

If you have any questions regarding our response, please contact
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Yours sincerely,

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