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Dear Sir

#### **Fire and Rescue Services Act 2004**

**New Housing Development, Brislands Lane, Four Marks, Alton, GU34 5AD**

#### **Notification of Timber Frame Construction**

With reference to your correspondence dated 15 July 2013, the contents are noted.

The local fire station will be informed of the proposed construction and presence of timber frame components on site.

The following recommendations are considered to be best practice and do not form part of any current legal requirement of this Authority.

#### **Timber Framed Buildings**

These types of buildings are particularly vulnerable to severe fire damage and fire spread during the construction phase.

The UK Timber Frame Association publication '16 Steps to Fire Safety on Timber Frame Construction Sites' provides guidance on this issue and is available from:

<http://www.ttf.co.uk/Document/Default.aspx?DocumentUid=E588E0CB-0873-4038-BF4A-B8F83681CB7F>

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This guidance should be read in conjunction with the 'Joint Code of Practice on the Protection from Fire of Construction Sites and Buildings Undergoing Renovation', published by the Construction Confederation and The Fire Protection Association (Sixth Edition, ISBN 1-902790-33-2)

Copies of the 'Joint Codes of Practice' and useful sister publication, 'Construction Site Fire Prevention Checklist' (Second edition, ISBN 1-902790-32-4), are available for purchase from the FPA ([www.thefpa.co.uk](http://www.thefpa.co.uk) <<http://www.thefpa.co.uk>>) and from Construction Industry Press ([www.cip-books.com](http://www.cip-books.com) <<http://www.cip-books.com>>)

## **Fire Protection**

Hampshire Fire & Rescue Service (HFRS) would strongly recommend that consideration be given to include the installation of Automatic Water Suppression Systems (AWSS) as part of a total fire protection package to:

- Protect life;
- Protect property, heritage, the environment and the climate;
- Help promote and sustain business continuity;
- Permit design freedoms and encourage innovative, inclusive and sustainable architecture.
- The use of AWSS can add significant benefit to the structural protection of buildings from damage by fire.

HFRS are fully committed to promoting Fire Protection Systems for both business and domestic premises. Support is offered to assist all in achieving a reduction of loss of life and the impact of fire on the wider community.

Any queries concerning these matters may be directed to the inspector named above but all correspondence should be addressed to me.

**Please quote our reference number on all correspondence.**

Yours faithfully

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for Chief Officer