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| Chew Valley Sailing Club  Walley Court Road  Chew Stoke Bristol BS40 8XN | **Our ref: EPR-ZP3821GK**  **Your ref:**    **Date:**  31/01/2013 |

Dear Sir or Madam

**Consultation on environmental permit application**

**Application reference: EPR-ZP3821GK**

**Operator: Wessex Water Services Limited**

**Facility: Emergency Overflow (EO) and Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) at Bishop Sutton Sewage Pumping Station, Ham Lane, Bishop Sutton, Bristol, BS39 5TY**

Wessex Water Services Limited have applied for a permit for an existing intermittent discharge of storm sewage and sewage discharged in an emergency from a Pumping Station at Bishop Sutton. The sewage effluent discharges intermittently to a watercourse approximately 130m upstream of Chew Valley Lake at National Grid Reference ST 58142 60252.

The EO and CSO have been in place for many years. The discharge is of domestic sewage only. Wessex Water are improving the facility by increasing the volume of storm storage and providing improved screening of the discharge.

The storm storage capacity at the pumping station will increase from 0.6m3 to 57.0m3 following the improvements and new fine screens (6mm mesh) will be installed. The proposed improvements will significantly reduce spill frequencies and volumes and improve screening considerably.

I have enclosed a copy of the application forms; please let me know if you require any further information.

I would be grateful if you could let me know if you have any comments to make on this application.

Please let me know when you receive this letter and whether or not you will be commenting on the proposals. You can email jessica.liebig@environment-agency.gov.uk or write to me at Manley House, Kestrel Way, Exeter, Devon, EX2 7LQ.

Please send any comments you have by **28 February 2013**.

Please phone me if you have any questions on 01392 442023 or email me at the address above.

Yours faithfully

**Jessica Liebig**

Permitting Officer – Water Quality