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PA/2025/2327  
Date  
8 January 2026

FAO: Planning Team

Dear Sir or Madam,

**County of Kent Act 1981 Section 53**

**Re: Vicarage, Ashford Road, St Michaels, Tenterden, Kent TN30 6PY**

Thank you for your email dated 29 December 2025. Following my assessment of Fire and Rescue Service emergency access provisions for application number PA/2025/2327 I would like to make the following observations.

Upon review of the Transport Statement, the fire tender tracking shows the swept path encroaching on the private driveway of Plot 11. There is also a swept path overlaid where a grass verge and trees are proposed beside Plot 14, as shown on drawing reference, Proposed Site Plan - Roof Layout - F1492-09 Rev A1. Please ensure that any turning facilities are provided in accordance with Diagram 13.1 of ADB, Volume 1. Please note, private driveways would not be deemed as suitable fire appliance turning points.

Please be aware that should this proposal be successful it would then be subject to a Building Regulations consultation where the access arrangements would again be examined under section B5.

Fire Service access and facility provisions are a requirement under B5 of the Building Regulations 2010 and must be complied with to the satisfaction of the Building Control Authority. A full plans submission should be made to the relevant building control body who have a statutory obligation to consult with the Fire and Rescue Service.

If you require any further advice, please contact this office using the details above. Please be aware that the Building Safety office hours are 09:00-17:00 Monday to Friday.

Yours faithfully,

Fire Engineering Team

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