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**To:** Gavin Bennett < <u>Gavin.Bennett@wildlifebcn.org</u>> **Subject:** RE: Summer Leys Temporary visitor centre

Hi Gavin,

The site of the temporary visitor centre (NGR: SP 88589 63339) is in the floodplain and a flood risk activity permit is required for:

"any activity (other than an allowed activity) on a flood plain that is

- (i) more than 8 metres from a non-tidal main river, or
- (ii) more than 8 metres from any flood defence structure or culvert on a non-tidal main river

which is likely to divert or obstruct floodwaters, to damage any river control works or to affect drainage".

However, if planning permission is in place there is no need for a permit.

## Kind regards Sarah

## Sarah Curl

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**Sent:** 27 July 2021 12:32

To: Curl, Sarah < Sarah. Curl@environment-agency.gov.uk >

**Subject:** Summer Leys Temporary visitor centre

Hi Sarah,

Hope all is well with you. I have another flood risk permit querty for you if you can help?

We are applying for planning permission for a temporary visitor centre at our Summer Leys reserve. The centre is only 6x8m and we'll be removing some of the earth bunds in the car park (to off-site) to retain number of car parking spaces, which I would presume would more than replace any loss of floodplain capacity from the VC (and compostable toilets). See plans attached. I am wondering whether this would require a permit from your end for these works?

The grid reference for the car park is SP 88589 63339. If you need any further info please to shout,

Best wishes,

Gavin

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