

Webb, Alex

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To: Webb, Alex
Subject: F/22/93168 LONG MEADOW, STROUDWOOD LANE, LOWER UPHAM, SOUTHAMPTON, SO32 1HG

Hi Alex,

I have reviewed the documents provided.

There are records of bats and nesting birds in the vicinity, so it is likely that the hedgerows and trees on the northern and southern boundaries of the property would be used by foraging, commuting and roosting bats and nesting birds. There are records of badgers in the vicinity and small mammals such as hedgehogs and brown hares have also been recorded.

The surface water drainage arrangements are sufficient.

Biodiversity enhancement such as bat or bird boxes is required. Built in boxes such as bat bricks or bird bricks are preferable, as they don't require maintenance and cannot fall off. This can be agreed prior to determination, or conditioned, as below. Further information is available on the RSPB and Bat Conservation Trust websites:

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/our-work/conservation/conservation-and-sustainability/farming/advice/managing-habitats/farm-buildings/> and <https://www.bats.org.uk/our-work/buildings-planning-and-development/bat-boxes>.

Recommended conditions

No development shall start until details of biodiversity enhancement features such as bat or bird boxes, which will be incorporated into the building and/or the surrounding area, have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

Reason - To ensure biodiversity net gain as required by the National Planning Policy Framework.

During construction any excavations or pipes must be covered at night or provided with small mammal escape ramps.

Reason- to protect small mammals from becoming trapped.

No external lighting shall be installed on the building. During construction if lighting is required, it must not be allowed to shine on the trees or hedgerows.

Reason- to avoid disturbance to wildlife including foraging, commuting or roosting bats, nesting birds, and foraging or commuting badgers.

Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Kind regards,

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