

Ecology response for H/22/93360 76 ASHTON GARDENS, EASTLEIGH, SO50 4DG

Single Storey Rear Extension

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There are records of bats and breeding swifts nearby, however I do not see any potential bat roost features on the photo of the building on Google maps.

Please could you add the following informative to the decision notice:

In the unlikely event of any bats being found during demolition or construction, all work must stop immediately, and Natural England must be informed. Additional information is available on the Bat Conservation Trust website at <https://www.bats.org.uk/advice/im-working-on-a-building-with-bats/ive-found-a-bat-during-works>.

Biodiversity enhancement is required. A swift nest box mounted on the house would be a suitable enhancement. Further information is available at <https://www.hampshireswifts.co.uk/nesting> and <https://www.swift-conservation.org/OurLeaflets.htm> . If this is not possible, other enhancements can be considered.

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