

Ecology response amended for H/23/94707 74 HURSLEY ROAD, CHANDLER'S FORD,
EASTLEIGH, SO53 1JB

Demolition of garage, extension of porch at front, first floor rear extension, ground floor rear
and side extension and patio at the rear

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24/4/23

I have reviewed the photos and don't see any potential bat roost features.

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 called. 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](https://www.bats.org.uk/advice/im-working-on-a-building-with-bats/ive-found-a-bat-during-works).

What is the current surface water drainage system? The plans appear to show a surface water
drainage inspection chamber in the front garden and an aco drain with new paving in the
front garden.

A tree is proposed to be removed and a new tree planted in the corner of the garden with
new planting to the front boundaries. Flowering plants to attract pollinators as food for bats
can be included in this planting area. Further information is available at:
[https://www.wildaboutgardens.org.uk/sites/default/files/2022-
03/WAG16%20Bats%20updated%202022%20WEB.pdf](https://www.wildaboutgardens.org.uk/sites/default/files/2022-03/WAG16%20Bats%20updated%202022%20WEB.pdf) - Stars of the Night, guide to attract bats into
your garden.

Biodiversity enhancements can be conditioned but should include at least one bat brick and
one swift brick on the appropriate elevations.

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4/4/23

There are records of bats very close to this property and the proposals involve extensive
works to the roof. There are also records of hedgehogs and swifts nearby.

Please could you send close up photos of the roof, fascia, flashings, soffits and any areas of
the house and gardens that will be affected by the proposals.

Biodiversity enhancements will be required. A bat brick and a swift brick may be appropriate
for this building.

The Bat Conservation Trust recommends installing a bat brick/box at least 4 m above the ground, away from artificial light sources, sheltered from strong winds and exposed to the sun for part of the day, facing south, south-east or south-west. ([https://www.bats.org.uk > our-work > putting-up-your-box](https://www.bats.org.uk/our-work/putting-up-your-box))

Swift nest boxes are best positioned under the eaves or on walls facing north, northeast or north-west out of direct sunlight, five metres above the ground, with clear adjacent airspace so swifts can access them in a high-speed direct flight.

(<https://www.swiftconservation.org/Nestboxes%26Attraction.htm>)

Additional information is available at:

<https://sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk/discover/in-your-garden/article/31>, planting for bats

<https://www.rhs.org.uk/science/conservation-biodiversity/wildlife/plants-for-pollinators>

<https://www.bats.org.uk/our-work/buildings-planning-and-development/bat-boxes>

<https://www.hampshireswifts.co.uk/nesting>

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/advice/how-you-can-help-birds/nestboxes/nestboxes-for-small-birds/>

<https://www.swift-conservation.org/OurLeaflets.htm>

<https://www.hedgehogstreet.org/help-hedgehogs/hedgehog-homes/>

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