

Ecology response for F/23/95179 THE LOG CABIN, HILLVIEW MANOR PARK, WINCHESTER ROAD, FAIR OAK, EASTLEIGH, SO50 7HD

Erection of 1no. detached two storey dwelling to replace existing mobile home

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This site is adjacent to Hill Copse, Fair Oak and Horton Heath SINC which is designated as 1A ancient and semi-natural woodland. A buffer of at least 20 m from the woodland edge would be required to avoid impact on the woodland boundary. It is not clear from the proposed site plan how close the proposed dwelling or residential curtilage would be with respect to the woodland boundary. There is another area of woodland to the south of this site which may also be impacted by this proposal.

There are records of bats, common toads, notable invertebrates and hedgehogs in the vicinity of this site. In addition to the woodland buffer, an ecological impact assessment is required before determination to assess whether any protected species would be impacted by this proposal. A surface water drainage plan is also required.

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