

Ecology response for H/23/95674 27 HOCOMBE ROAD, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 5SN

Construction of outbuilding to provide a home office

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This site is in a red impact risk zone for great crested newts with nearby records of bats, hedgehogs, and stag beetles.

I have no objection to the location of the home office out building on this site as there is a road between the property and Castle Copse which is woodland priority habitat.

A surface water drainage plan, precautionary working method to protect great crested newts, hedgehogs and stag beetles will be required. Biodiversity enhancements are also required.

A green roof would be an appropriate biodiversity enhancement. Additional information on other biodiversity enhancements is available at:

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

<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

<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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