

Ecology response for H/23/95626 27 HOCOMBE ROAD, CHANDLER'S FORD, EASTLEIGH, SO53 5SN

Retention of 2m boundary fence (facing Kingsway)

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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.

Any closed board fencing must have at least 2 openings (13 x 13 cm minimum) in the base boards to allow free passage of small animals such as hedgehogs. If these are already in place, please provide photos.

Biodiversity enhancements are also required. Information on 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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