

Ecology response 7 9 26 for H/26/101632 67 LAKEWOOD ROAD, CHANDLER'S FORD,
EASTLEIGH, SO53 5AE

First floor side & single storey rear extensions, integral garage conversion and part conversion of detached garage.

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Summary: No objection. Locations of proposed enhancements to be shown on a plan.
Informatives required on decision letter.

I have reviewed the Update Bat Survey Report by Hampshire Ecological Services Ltd. (September 2026). The update walkover was done in August 2026. Due to the presence of several potential bat roost features one emergence survey was carried out in 2024.

Due to the presence of foraging and commuting bats in the area, a precautionary working method is required.

All site operatives must be briefed on the areas with potential bat roost features and how to recognise signs of bats.

Roof tiles must be removed carefully, one at a time, in the areas with potential roost features shown in the report. If any bats or signs of bats are found, the tile must be replaced, and all work must stop immediately. An ecological consultant and Natural England must be called for further advice. 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>.

The recommendations in the report are appropriate and must be followed.

This includes:

At least one integrated bat box/brick must be installed in the new extension.

At least one integrated swift next box/brick must be installed in the new extension or added to an exterior wall.

A woodstone bird box suitable for use by blue tits and great tits must be attached to one of the mature trees in the rear garden (or attached to the exterior wall of the building).

Any changes to exterior lighting must follow the guidelines set out in section 5.6.2. Further information is available at [Guidance Note 8 Bats and Artificial Lighting | Institution of Lighting Professionals \(theilp.org.uk\)](https://www.theilp.org.uk/Guidance-Note-8-Bats-and-Artificial-Lighting).

The location of these enhancements must be marked on a plan to ensure that they are on the appropriate elevations. This can be agreed before determination or can be conditioned.

Additionally, planting flowering plants to attract pollinators as food for bats and birds is also important. Section 12 of the report contains additional information on recommended plant species.

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