

Ecology response 22 5 25 for Phase 1 of F/25/99007 EAST HORTON GOLF CENTRE,
MORTIMERS LANE, FAIR OAK, EASTLEIGH, SO50 7EA

Phase 1 (Greenwood Course) - full planning application for the re-siting/ alterations to 1st tee box, fairway and green, enlarging 18th green and creation of event space with associated reprofiling, landscaping, footpath and drainage works following closure of existing driving range.

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New documents have been provided which show the condition of the watercourse along the southern boundary of the Phase 1 site. The damaging activities have been described as regular mowing of the grassland along the watercourse right up to the bank tops. Cessation of mowing in this area is proposed to allow a more natural vegetated buffer to restore marginal habitat and support improved ecological function. This has been entered into the updated BNG metric.

We still need to know how large an un-mowed habitat buffer is proposed to be created along the watercourse. The existing and proposed onsite habitats maps do not show a change in the modified grassland habitat along the watercourse. A proposed watercourse landscape environmental management plan (LEMP) must be submitted which documents this change in management.

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