

Ecology Response for H/25/100325 36 CHURCH ROAD, BISHOPSTOKE, EASTLEIGH,
SO50 6BJ

Replace wooden windows with Black upvc Flush Casement Fittings consistent with
existing format and detailing.

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No Objection

I have reviewed the photographs and I don't see any potential bat roost features.

Please could you add the following informative to the decision notice:

In the unlikely event of any bats being found during demolition or construction, all
work must stop immediately, and Natural England must be informed. 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>.

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There are records of reptiles, bats, hedgehogs and badgers near to the site. The site
is also within the Great Crested Newt Amber Impact Risk Zone.

Amber (suitable habitat, likely to be present) – *When development falls into the red or
amber zones on the impact risk map, developers MUST prove to their local planning
authorities that their development plans pose 'no risk' to great crested newts.*

The proposals will not be impacting on great crested newt habitat.

This application has been flagged up as being close to known bat roosts. All bats and
their roosts are protected by law in the UK. Even though the roof will not be directly
affected by the window replacement, the noise, vibrations and dust generated during
construction could affect bats sleeping during the daytime. Workers must remain
vigilant of the potential presence of bats, not obstruct their roosts or do anything that
could cause harm to a bat. If bats or any signs of bats are found during construction,
all work must stop immediately, and Natural England must be called. The Bat
Conservation Trust website (<https://www.bats.org.uk/>) explains why bats are protected

and what to do if you find a bat at <https://www.bats.org.uk/advice/im-working-on-a-building-with-bats/ive-found-a-bat-during-works>.

To determine whether any bat surveys will be required I need to review close-up photos taken in good light of all of the windows, all areas of the roof, fascia, soffits (standing next to building and looking upwards), flashings, hanging tiles, the elevations to be affected by the proposal and any potential gaps or openings.

The Bats and Buildings brochure from the Bat Conservation Trust (<https://cdn.bats.org.uk/uploads/pdf/Bats-and-Buildings.pdf?v=1634310101>) has a very good diagram to show places bats may use in buildings on page 3 of the brochure.

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