

- **Details of any assessments that have been made of existing ecology of the watercourse/ ditch, and further assessments of any environmental impacts on Foxwood stream. This should include BNG report and environmental mitigation measures.**
The ditch is accounted for in the BNG as being associated with Hedgerows H3 and H5 'Species rich hedgerow associated with a bank or ditch'.
The ditch is not classed as a ditch under the watercourse habitat assessment in the BNG since it is not likely to hold water for more than 4 months per year. Therefore, no assessment is required for the ditch in the BNG, since it is included within the Hedgerow BNG assessment.
Foxwood stream will remain unchanged and therefore no assessment in the BNG is required for The Folds.

I would be grateful if you can review and pass back to the EA for their comment, hopefully we have addressed all their concerns and they can confirm no objection.

Do let me know if you need anything else on this.

Regards
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