

Subject: APP/23/00415 | Installation of fencing and lights to form two Padel Tennis courts. |
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Dear Lesley,

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Thank you for consulting me on this application. I have reviewed the latest Lighting Technical Report (DFL, August 2024). I welcome the inclusion of lighting mitigation measures including hoods, individual control of lights, and the confirmation that lighting will be limited to a maximum of 200 lux during the period April to October inclusive. These mitigation measures should be secured by condition.

As you know, I also commented on the proposed native 'natural screening' to replace trees and shrubs being impacted: this screening is fundamental to the anticipated light spillage mitigation. I noted that we did not have any firm details on how and in what timeframe this screening will function as a robust barrier to excess light spillage. If you are minded to grant permission, can I suggest that details of this screening are secured by condition.

In summary, I think we are now in a place where reasonable ecological mitigation measures have been incorporated into the design. If you are minded to grant permission, can I suggest that all ecological avoidance, mitigation, and compensation measures are secured by condition.

Prior to the commencement of development activities, a Landscape & Ecological Management Plan shall be submitted to an approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The Plan shall be in accordance with the ecological avoidance, mitigation, and compensation measures as detailed in the Lighting Technical Report (DFL, August 2024) and Baseline Bat Activity Assessment (Imprint Ecology, July 2024) unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. It shall include, but not necessarily be restricted to: full details of all measures to avoid and mitigate the potential impacts of artificial lighting on bat species; full details of proposed native vegetation screening, including location, area, composition, establishment and ongoing management, monitoring and responsibilities. Reason: to provide ecological protection and enhancement in accordance with the Environment Act 2021, Conservation Regulations 2017, Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981, NPPF, NERC Act 2006 and Policy CS 11 of the Havant Borough Core Strategy March 2011.

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

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