

# Consultee Comments for Planning Application APP/23/00377

## Application Summary

Application Number: APP/23/00377

Address: Land rear of 25 Mengham Road, Hayling Island, PO11 9BG

Proposal: Conversion and partial demolition of existing bakery and offices to 4 No. self-contained flats comprising 1No. 3 bed, 1No. 2 bed & 2No. 1 bed with associated parking and cycle storage.

Case Officer: Lesley Wells

## Consultee Details

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On Behalf Of: Ecologist

## Comments

Dear Lesley,

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Thank you for consulting me on this application.

The application is not accompanied by any ecological information. I have therefore carried out my own non-exhaustive desk-based assessment using the application documents, online sources and GIS mapping. The application site comprises a relatively modern building with pitched roofs and clad with hanging tiles on all visible elevations. I would not expect the structure to be of particular ecological value and on balance I do not see a justification for requesting additional information.

I would like to see some small ecological enhancements if possible. The building would appear suitable for the installation of external nest boxes for Common Swift. Several of these purpose-built boxes could be attached to the gable apex sections: they are inexpensive and are proven to benefit this declining bird species. I would be happy for the provision of Swift boxes to be secured by condition.

If you have any queries, please dont hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

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