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Subject: APP/20/00610 | Replacement sheet piled quay wall with concrete capping beam. | Sparkes Marina, 38 Wittering Road, Hayling Island, PO11 9SR

Dear Lesley,

**APP/20/00610 | Replacement sheet piled quay wall with concrete capping beam.
| Sparkes Marina, 38 Wittering Road, Hayling Island, PO11 9SR**

Thank you for consulting me on this application.

Further information has been provided of discussions between the applicant and Natural England. The discussions related to the loss of intertidal habitat within the adjacent marine protected areas, with an estimated 98m² loss overall. The proposed removal of two existing pontoon births, equating to c.200m², is proposed as compensatory habitat. Natural England have advised that this is welcome and that the applicant's Habitats Regulations Assessment refers to the works as 'compensation' rather than 'mitigation'.

On the basis that Natural England have provided positive comments on the proposed scheme I advise that Havant Borough Council can conclude that all measures are acceptable.

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

Kind regards,

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