

Sent: 13 December 2019 11:03

Subject: 10A The Pallant, Havant

Dear Peter,

Following the Preliminary Roost Assessment visit on the 11th December at 10a The Pallant, Havant, we can confirm that there was no internal evidence of bats within the art shop. Externally there are negligible to low potential roosting opportunities for crevice dwelling bats behind the wooden soffit board, wooden chipboard and the wooden shop front. There was no evidence that the loft has been used by nesting birds, however there was evidence that birds have used the main part of the building historically to roost in.

There are gaps between the walls of the two buildings creating further potential roosting opportunities for bats, and cavities and crevices to the external brickwork at the rear of the 'Streets' shop.

Due to potential roosting features and being unable to access the internal roof area and the eastern side of the 'Streets' shop we will need to determine if bats are using any parts of this building as a roost. Following the Good Practice Guidelines (2016) for bat surveys we recommend one presence/absence bat survey between the months of May to August before demolition takes place. Once the bat presence/absence survey has been completed and the bat survey report written, the report can be submitted with the planning application.

If bats are seen to be emerging from any of the potential roost features, a European Protected Species Licence will need to be applied for before works take place. This would need to be applied for as soon as planning permission is granted.

As detailed within our fee proposal, we will order local bat group records in order to establish what species of bats are using the local area.

Please do get in contact if you have any queries.

Kind Regards,

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