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Subject: APP/19/00568 | Construction of detached 3 bay garage with room above. (Resubmission). | Antrims Barn, St Peters Road, Hayling Island, PO11 0RT 19.1259

Dear Lesley,

APP/19/00568 | Construction of detached 3 bay garage with room above. (Resubmission). | Antrims Barn, St Peters Road, Hayling Island, PO11 0RT 19.1259

Thank you for consulting me on this application.

The application is not accompanied by any ecological information and I have therefore carried out my own non-exhaustive desk-based assessment using the application documents, online sources and recent GIS mapping.

The proposed garage will be constructed to the south-east of Antrims Barn, within an existing yard area. It is unclear what, if any, vegetation is present within the yard area: if there is unmanaged grassland and herbaceous vegetation/scrub then the area may offer suitable habitat for common reptile species and nesting birds. I would request that recent, good quality photographs of the area are provided.

The land to the immediate west of the site comprises farmland used by large numbers of brent geese associated with the nearby Chichester & Langstone Harbours Special Protection Area. Consequently, the farmland is included within the Solent Waders & Brent Goose Strategy (SWBGS) as Site H60G. There is potential for construction-related noise and visual disturbance to impact birds using the farmland, if carried out during the overwintering period of October to March. Given the scale of the proposed development, and the timber construction materials, I would not expect noise and visual disturbance to be significant. However, if works are to be carried out during the overwintering season I would suggest that some form of opaque screening along the site's western boundary would be prudent.

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

Kind regards,

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