

Thank you very much for consulting Natural England on the above application.

The application site is within 5.6km of the Chichester and Langstone Harbours SPA and will lead to a net increase in residential accommodation. This application will need to comply with Local Plan Policy with regard to Solent Recreation Mitigation Partnership (SRMP) contribution, which applies to all new development of one or more dwellings. Provided that the applicant is compliant with this condition and this is secured with any planning permission, Natural England is satisfied that the applicant has mitigated against the potential adverse effects of the development on the integrity of the European site(s).

Please note we have not assessed the application and associated documents for impacts on protected species. Natural England has published Standing Advice on protected species. Standing Advice is a material consideration in the determination of applications in the same way as any individual response received from Natural England following consultation. If you have any specific questions not covered by our Standing Advice, or have difficulty in applying it to this application please contact us at consultations@naturalengland.org.uk.

Natural England would encourage all new developments to incorporate biodiversity enhancements such as the provision of new bat roosting opportunities within new builds, the provision of bird boxes and the use of appropriate native species in the garden.

Please call if you need any further details.

Kind regards
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