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Dear David,

APP/17/00275 | Construction of a facilities building on the course to provide separate male and female toilets along with a refreshment/shelter area. | Hayling Island Golf Club, Links Lane, Hayling Island, PO11 0BX 17.0688

Thank you for consulting me on this application. Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to you.

The application is accompanied by a Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (CGO Ecology, November 2016) which provides a useful assessment of the site's ecological features. The proposal is situated within Sinah Common SSSI and therefore has potential to result in impacts to the features for which the site is designated. The footprint of the toilet block comprises a small area of gorse scrub with associated dune grassland. The gorse was removed by hand in late 2016, outside the nesting bird season.

Overall, given the scale of the works and the potential for reinstatement of comparable habitat, I would raise no overriding concerns. I note that Natural England have been consulted using their Discretionary Advice Service and have raised no objection, subject to certain conditions.

If you are minded to grant permission, can I suggest that an ecological mitigation, compensation and enhancement plan is secured by condition.

Prior to the commencement of development activities, ecological mitigation, compensation and enhancement plan shall be submitted for approval to the Local Planning Authority. The plan shall include details of all measures (methods, timings) to protect ecological features and measures to compensate and enhance the site post-development. Development shall then proceed in strict accordance with the approved plan. Reason: to protect biodiversity in accordance with the Conservation Regulations 2010, Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981, the NERC Act (2006), NPPF and with and with Policy CS 11 of the Havant Borough Core Strategy March 2011.

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

Kind regards,

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