

Consultee Comments for Planning Application APP/24/00056

Application Summary

Application Number: APP/24/00056

Address: 2 Alexandra Avenue, Hayling Island, PO11 9AL

Proposal: Erection of 1No. 3 bed chalet bungalow with new access to Alexandra Avenue.

Case Officer: Tina Pickup

Consultee Details

Name: Consultee Principal Ecologist

Address: Public Service Plaza, Civic Centre Road, Havant PO9 2AX

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On Behalf Of: Ecologist

Comments

Dear Tina,

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Thank you for consulting me on this application.

The application is not accompanied by any ecological information. I have undertaken my own non-exhaustive desk-based assessment using the application documents, online sources and GIS mapping. Whilst I would not raise overriding concerns in relation to ecological matters, the proposal will result in the loss of hedgerow, grass lawn and (although this is not clear) smaller trees/shrubs. Two larger trees are to be retained and protected during construction.

There is a risk of impacts to protected species such as nesting birds within hedgerows and any other dense woody vegetation. If you are minded to grant permission, can I suggest that the following informative note is added to any permission to remind the applicant and their appointed agents of their legal obligations in respect to protected species.

Attention is drawn to the provisions of the Environment Act 2021, the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended, the Conservation (of Habitats and Species) Regulations 2017, the Natural Environment and Rural Communities (NERC) Act 2006, and to other wildlife legislation (for example Protection of Badgers Act 1992, Wild Mammals Protection Act 1996).

It is an offence to kill or harm the following species, and to damage or disturb their breeding sites and resting places:

Bats (all species)
Badgers
Hazel Dormouse
Otter
Water Vole
Reptiles
Great Crested Newt
Wild bird species active nests, eggs, young and adults
Certain other mammal species
Certain invertebrates
Certain plant species

It is the legal responsibility of the developer and their appointed agents to ascertain whether any protected or notable species are present on site, before works commence, and to ensure that offences are not committed. If such species are found or their presence is suspected, you must cease work immediately and obtain professional specialist advice before works recommence. Licences may be required for proposals that would affect certain protected species or their habitat. Planning consent does not over-ride the need to obtain such licences.

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

Kind regards,

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