

Subject: APP/24/00157 | Proposed erection of a first-floor side (south) extension and the provision of three additional bedrooms (Class C2). | Oak View Residential Care Home, 49 Beach Road, Hayling Island, PO11 0JB

Dear David,

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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. Overall, I am content that the proposal is not likely to result in ecological impacts. Works to the building will affect roof materials and any roof voids below. The building is in good condition, with tight-fitting roof slates, uPVC soffit and fascia and with refurbished/modern exterior cladding. On that basis I would consider the potential for protected species such as bats and nesting birds to be very limited/negligible.

The proposal would benefit from minor ecological enhancements. I would suggest the installation of two integral or wall-mounted nesting boxes for Common Swifts: these are inexpensive and can be matched to existing exterior finishes. Boxes should be placed at minimum 4m height, ideally under eaves or at a gable end.

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

Kind regards,

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