

Dear Mr. Ford,

APP/22/00086 | Single storey rear extension. | 48 Jessie Road, Havant, PO9 3TH

Thank you for consulting me on this planning application. Whilst the proposal is for a single storey extension, I notice from the available Street View imagery that the property may support hanging tiles along the rear elevation, which are a feature of potentially high value to roosting bats. In the absence of any information, it is not possible to assess the value of the dwelling for roosting bats and establish if the proposals will adversely affect this group of species which are protected by UK and EU legislation. Therefore, at this stage, I'd request that some good quality photographs of the areas of the building to be affected by the proposed extension is submitted. This may allow to provide a more informed opinion on the likelihood of bats being present and affected by the proposed works. However, I must stress that it is not the role of the LPA to determine ecological impacts; that is the responsibility of the applicant. Should images be insufficient, inconclusive or demonstrate features with potential for bats, then the applicant should contact a suitably experienced ecologist to conduct an ecology survey to an appropriate level.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Kind regards,
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