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Sent: 28 May 2021 10:17
To: Oliver, Lewis
Cc: Havant Planning and Development Mailbox New
Subject: APP/20/01127 Mill Rythe Holiday Village, 16 Havant Road, Hayling Island, PO11 0PB 21.0494

Dear Lewis,

APP/20/01127 | Application for full planning permission, pursuant to APP/16/01237, for the redevelopment of the holiday site including the demolition of redundant chalets, use of land for the siting of 112 holiday caravans with areas of open recreational space, cease the use of the land for pitch and putt purposes and retain the remaining pitch and putt area as a managed wildlife area including the provision of an ecology bund & ditch, landscaping, the siting of three bird hides with bat roost in their roof spaces and a mown 'circular wildlife walkway'. | Mill Rythe Holiday Village, 16 Havant Road, Hayling Island, PO11 0PB 21.0494

Thank you for consulting me on this application. Thank you for your patience.

Some additional detail has been provided by the applicant's agent (letter from Michaela Kekerri of Avis Young, dated 21 April 2021) and this includes an amended Habitats Regulations Assessment (Middlemarch, March 2021) and a Winter Bird Survey report (Middlemarch, April 2021). This additional information is welcome, as is the commitment to fulfilling the avoidance and mitigation measures as requested by Natural England and myself.

Overall, I am content with the information provided and consider that the best approach is to secure ecological mitigation, compensation and enhancement measures through conditions. If you are minded to grant permission, can I suggest the following condition wording:

Prior to the commencement of development activities, a detailed Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (LEMP) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. All LEMP measures shall be in accordance with those detailed within the Habitats Regulations Assessment (Middlemarch, March 2021) and the Ecological Mitigation Strategy (Middlemarch, November 2020) unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority. The LEMP shall include (but not necessarily be restricted to): details of all habitat and species mitigation measures; costed management plan for the Solent Wader & Brent Goose site H43/Mill Rythe Holiday Park Site of Importance to Nature Conservation (SINC); details of the location, composition and ongoing management of all compensatory or enhancement habitat; location, type and number of all bat/bird boxes and other ecological enhancements; details of lighting. All ecological compensation/enhancement measures shall be installed/implemented in accordance with ecologist's instructions and retained in a location and condition suited to their intended function. Reason: to protect and enhance biodiversity in accordance with the Conservation Regulations 2017, the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended), the NERC Act 2006, NPPF and Policy CS 11 of the Havant Borough Core Strategy March 2011.

In addition, I would recommend that a Construction Environment Management Plan (CEMP) is secured. This should include full details of all measures to avoid/mitigate construction impacts on the natural environment.

Prior to the commencement of development activities a Construction Environment Management Plan (CEMP) shall be submitted to and agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. This shall

include details of measures to avoid harm to the natural environment, including explicit avoidance and mitigation measures and the roles and responsibilities of those persons responsible for implementing the agreed CEMP. The CEMP shall be in accordance with the measures detailed within the submitted Habitats Regulations Assessment (Middlemarch, March 2021) and the Ecological Mitigation Strategy (Middlemarch, November 2020). Reason: to protect biodiversity in accordance with the Conservation Regulations 2017, Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981, the NERC Act (2006), NPPF and 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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