

Dear Tina,

APP/21/00586 | Erection of purpose built balcony approx. 6m long (along face of building) by 2m wide (extending from face of building), positioned on the south elevation of 90a Southwood Rd, Hayling Island PO11 9QF | 90A Southwood Road, Hayling Island, PO11 9QF 21.0672

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

The proposal is for a balcony on the southern elevation of a dwelling facing towards an area of wintering bird supporting habitat. The proposed works are c.30m north of Site C19, an area of shingle habitat used by significant numbers of roosting waders during high-tide periods.

Whilst the proposed works are highly localised and will presumably not extend for an especially long time period, there is a risk of noise disturbance if the works are carried out at times when roosting birds are present in Site C19. Natural England have requested that a Construction Environment Management Plan (CEMP) is submitted. This should provide details of how potential impacts to Site C19 will be avoided. The most straightforward avoidance measure will be to ensure that works are completed outside the period 1 October to 31 March, thereby avoiding any potential for impacts. If works will occur within this period then it will be necessary to explore any measures necessary to minimise potential disturbance from noise. I would imagine that the works would not require any plant or machinery likely to result in excessive noise disturbance but this should be demonstrated.

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

Kind regards,

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