

APP/15/01147 | Reserved Matters application for the erection of 1No. two storey dwelling for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale following Outline Permission APP/13/00039 7 North Close, Havant, PO9 2TE 15.1884

Thank you for consulting me on this reserved matters application. An ecological assessment and mitigation scheme was conditioned as part of the previous application.

The application is accompanied by a Phase 1 Ecological Survey (David Leach Ecology Ltd, September 2015) which provides a basic assessment of the application site and its ecological constraints. The site comprises a typical suburban plot containing managed lawns, ornamental plantings and boundary trees and shrubs and is of limited ecological value overall. The key feature is perhaps the small stream running along the eastern boundary.

The site is considered to offer limited potential for supporting legally-protected species although any areas of denser woody vegetation are likely to provide opportunities for small numbers of nesting bird species. In addition, the ecology report suggests that the boundaries support trees with bat roosting potential and recommends that any trees to be felled are assessed individually for their potential to support bats. I note from the submitted arboricultural assessment (James Fuller Arboriculture, October 2015) that there are two trees to be removed and I would therefore ask whether the ecologist's recommendation will be followed-up.

Some measures are proposed for ecological enhancement, namely the use of bat boxes within/on the new dwelling. These are acceptable.

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

Kind regards,

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