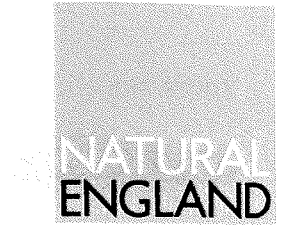


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Dear Mrs Lealan,

Planning consultation: Engineering works to improve drainage, groundworks to remodel golf course and landscaping works to increase land levels.

Location: Portsmouth Golf Club, Crookhorn Lane, Waterloo, PO7 5QL

Thank you for your consultation dated and received on 29 July 2011.

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

This proposal does not appear to affect any statutorily protected sites or landscapes, or have significant impacts on the conservation of soils, nor is the proposal EIA development. It appears that Natural England has been consulted on this proposal to offer advice on the impact on a protected species.

Natural England's advice is as follows:

We have adopted national standing advice for protected species. As standing advice, it is a material consideration in the determination of the proposed development in this application in the same way as any individual response received from Natural England following consultation and should therefore be fully considered before a formal decision on the planning application is made.

The protected species survey has identified that species protected by domestic legislation may be affected by this application.

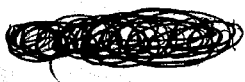
We have not assessed the survey for badgers, barn owls and breeding birds¹, water voles, widespread reptiles or white-clawed crayfish. These are all species protected by domestic legislation and you should use our standing advice to assess the impact on these species.

For future applications, or if further survey information is supplied, please refer to our standing advice to decide if there is a 'reasonable likelihood' of protected species being present and whether survey and mitigation requirements have been met.

If you would like any advice or guidance on how to use our standing advice, or how we used the standing advice to reach a conclusion in this case, please contact us on the number above.

¹ Unless protected by Schedule 1 of the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended).

Yours sincerely



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