

APP/24/00237 | Proposed gas fuelled capacity mechanism embedded generation plant to support the National Grid. A resubmission of previously approved applications (APP/21/00809) in order to secure changes to the site layout and technology following transfer of ownership of the site (Permitted 26/07/2024). Request to Discharge Conditions 3, 4, 6 & 7 (Received 28/03/2025). | Land at Hermitage Park, Harts Farm Way, Havant

Thank you for consulting me on this application for the discharge of conditions.

The application is accompanied by a Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (The Ecology Co-op, March 2025) and a Construction Environment Management Plan version 2 (Toucan, July 2025). The LEMP includes details of proposed ecological avoidance and mitigation measures covering areas such as habitat clearance (nesting birds, Hazel Dormice, reptiles), watercourse protection, vegetation retention and protection, and artificial lighting. It also includes details of proposed ecological compensation and enhancement measures such as the creation of habitats (grassland, hedgerow) and features such as a 'bee bank' and reptile hibernaculum. These measures are acceptable, and it is clear that for many measures professional ecological support will be required. A timetable for implementation is included, again acceptable.

The amended CEMP now includes all relevant details of measures necessary to protect ecological features during construction and is now acceptable.

Development should proceed in accordance with these two important documents.

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

Kind regards,

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