



Dear Lesley,

**APP/24/00291 | Erection of first floor rear and side extensions and dormer extension. Retention of ground floor shop (Class E1 commercial unit) and change of use of ground floor, first floor and second floor ancillary storage and office accommodation to 8No bed HMO. | 39 London Road, Cowplain, Waterloooville, PO8 8DF**

Thank you for consulting me on this application.

The application is now accompanied by a Bat Emergence Survey Report (Sylvatica Ecology, August 2024). No bats were observed emerging from the building and it is considered that roosting bats are not currently a constraint.

If you are minded to grant permission, can I suggest that the following informative note is added to any permission:

*Bats and their roosts are protected under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017. All work must stop immediately if bats, or evidence of bat presence (e.g. droppings, bat carcasses or insect remains), are encountered at any point during development works - should this occur, further advice should be sought from Natural England and/or a professional ecologist.*

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

Kind regards,

Tristan

**Tristan Norton**

**Principal Ecologist |** 

