

APP/25/00695 | Extension to existing Bowling Clubhouse in matching details and materials to create a seamless extension and to unify the building. The use remains unaltered, but the extension facilitates indoor mats to extend the playing season and for use in inclement weather. | Bedhampton Bowling Club Bidbury Mead Bidbury Lane, Havant, PO9 3JG

Thank you for consulting me on this application, which is not accompanied by any ecological information. Whilst the proposals are not likely to result in significant ecological impacts, any claim of exemption from mandatory Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) needs to be evidenced. BNG exemptions and supporting explanations can be found on gov.uk web pages [Biodiversity net gain: exempt developments - GOV.UK](#). It is my understanding that this proposal would not meet the self-build and custom exemption and so therefore in order to be exempt it would need to demonstrate compliance with the de minimis exemption. A development is exempt if:

Does not impact a priority habitat and impacts less than:

- 25 square metres (5m by 5m) of on-site habitat
- 5 metres of on-site linear habitats such as hedgerows

A development 'impacts' a habitat if it [decreases the biodiversity value](#).

It is the responsibility of the applicant to provide evidence to justify a claimed BNG exemption. The value of habitats must be determined using the BNG Statutory Metric in accordance with Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, again available from gov.uk.

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

Kind regards,

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