

Dear Sir/Madam

Our ref: 560875

Your ref: APP/26/00709

Planning consultation: Application to Discharge Conditions 18 (Car Park Barrier Details), 27 (Tree Survey and Updated Arboricultural Method Statement and Tree Protection Plan), 28 (Landscaping Details), 36 (Ecological Mitigation, Compensation and Enhancement Measures) for Phase 9 (Visitors Centre) Relating to Planning Permission Ref: APP/24/00312.

Location: Havant Thicket Reservoir Site

Thank you for your consultation.

FURTHER CONDITIONS

Natural England currently has no comment to make on the discharge of condition 18, 27, 28 and 36.

If any of the conditions relate to protected species, please note the following:

We have not assessed this application and associated documents for impacts on protected species.

Natural England has produced [standing advice](https://www.gov.uk/protected-species-and-sites-how-to-review-planning-proposals)^[1] <https://www.gov.uk/protected-species-and-sites-how-to-review-planning-proposals>¹¹ to help planning authorities understand the impact of particular developments on protected species. We advise you to refer to this advice. Natural England will only provide bespoke advice on protected species where they form part of a Site of Special Scientific Interest or in exceptional circumstances.

Should the proposal be amended in a way which significantly affects its impact on the natural environment then, in accordance with Section 4 of the Natural Environment and

Rural Communities Act 2006, Natural England should be consulted again. Before sending us any further consultations regarding this development, please assess whether the changes proposed will materially affect any of the advice we have previously offered. If they are unlikely to do so, please do not re-consult us.

Yours faithfully

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Natural England offers two chargeable services - the Discretionary Advice Service, which provides pre-application and post-consent advice on planning/licensing proposals to developers and consultants, and the Pre-submission Screening Service for European Protected Species mitigation licence applications. These services help applicants take appropriate account of environmental considerations at an early stage of project development, reduce uncertainty, the risk of delay and added cost at a later stage, whilst securing good results for the natural environment.