Rachel Tibbetts

From: Caroline Ford
Sent: 03 June 2020 13:12
To: DC Support

Subject: FW: 20/00293/OUT - Bicester Gateway Business Park

Please can you record and scan onto the above application file?

Thanks Caroline

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From: Charlotte Watkins < Charlotte. Watkins@Cherwell-DC.gov.uk>

Sent: 03 June 2020 12:48

To: Caroline Ford <Caroline.Ford@Cherwell-DC.gov.uk> **Subject:** RE: 20/00293/OUT - Bicester Gateway Business Park

Caroline

Apologies for the late response.

I have no objections to the proposals on ecological grounds. The off-setting scheme has already been previously extensively viewed and is acceptable such that an overall net gain is very likely to be achieved. The additional enhancements on site and the landscaping proposed are appropriate and likely to be beneficial overall. I would support the BOS request for inclusion of Sorbus species in the landscaping.

General protection measures for species on site (e.g. nesting birds) and retained vegetation should be submitted within a CEMP for biodiversity. The exact locations of proposed enhancements and features to be integrated into the buildings (i.e. swift bricks and bat tubes) should be submitted to ensure they are on plans as they cannot be added retrospectively if missed. As such, a biodiversity enhancement condition to include locations, types and numbers of all nesting, roosting and habitat box/brick features should be included on any permission. A full LEMP will be required showing how retained and created habitats will be managed for ecological benefit with details of funding etc.. as per standard condition will be required.

A full lighting strategy which takes into account BCT/ILP guidance on creating bat friendly dark corridors across the site should be conditioned to ensure bat foraging and commuting and use of installed bat features is continued/encouraged.

Beyond this I have no further comments but am happy to discuss any part of this further. Kind regards
Charlotte

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