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Bernadette

Apologies for the late response on this one.

In general the landscaping locations broadly follow those set out in the outline application and I have no particular issues with them. My main comment would be that it would be preferable if they would sow more interesting grassland rather than having amenity grass only, particularly in areas where there is unlikely to be a need for amenity use such as the roundabout and areas of grass at the entrance. A meadow grass seed mix managed for wildlife (i.e. left long in parts) would have much greater benefits for invertebrates as well as other species. These aspects are difficult to assess without an overall LEMP yet in place giving reasoning and objectives for planting choices in each location.

There will be impacts on the current ecology of the site from the enabling works and the landscaping proposed for Phase one. The measures to be taken to ensure that no biodiversity on site will be harmed during these works needs to be submitted within a full CEMP. This is conditioned for each phase within the Hybrid application and needs submitting pre commencement.

Please get back to me with any queries. I am working on Monday (21st) morning.

Kind regards Charlotte

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