

From:

Sent: 08 June 2021 17:13

To: James Kirkham

Subject: Priority species - Polecat

Re: Planning Application Number 21/01123/F
Hatch End Old Poultry Farm OX25 5QL

Dear Mr Kirkham

As you are the case officer for the above application, I wanted to bring to your attention that I have had recent sightings of a Polecat (*Mustela putorius*) adjacent to the site of the proposed development. I believe Cherwell District consider the Polecat to be a Priority species so their conservation should be considered in respect of any planning application. I would appreciate it if you would consider how this species may be affected by the proposed development.

I would be happy to provide further details of the sightings if required.

Please acknowledge receipt of this email.

Regards

Bridget Lewis

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