

**APPENDIX 10.3**  
**CHERWELL COUNCIL ECOLOGIST SCOPING RESPONSE**

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Caroline

With regard to the above scoping request the general measures within section 7 of the outlined scoping report are generally fine as standard however I would comment that the following also needs to be considered within the ES:

Paragraph 7.4 refers to CIEEMs 2006 guidelines. CIEEM's Guidelines for Ecological Impact Assessment version 1.1 (updated September 2019) should be followed.

There is no reference to ecological enhancements beyond mitigation within the outline. This should be fully included particularly if compensatory habitat or contributions are likely to be required in order to achieve the required net gains for biodiversity. A biodiversity Impact assessment tool should be included and discussed.

Within the cumulative impact assessment should be consideration of how the green infrastructure and any wildlife corridors etc.. will complement those of adjacent developments.

Please get back to me on any points if helpful

Kind regards

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