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Caroline and Katherine,

We are keen to move forward and address consultation comments received to the above application.

Comments from CDC Ecology Dr Charlotte Watkins were published at the end of March 2022 and which flagged that the officer could not locate the DEFRA metric to demonstrate Biodiversity Net Gain.

Please find attached the Metric and accompanying Biodiversity Impact Assessment for the current scheme as submitted.

We would be grateful if you can forward to the Ecology officer to review. Our consultant would also welcome direct discussions with Dr Watkins or a colleague on the matter of the off site scheme for farmland birds so this matter can be satisfactorily addressed.

It may also be worth flagging this submission to your planning policy colleagues as we had contact from Maria Dopazo requesting detail on the site and with regard to the 2021 Environment Act, some of the answers to their queries may be covered also in these documents (as well as the ES).

To advise, a further response to the EA and LLFA latest comments will follow in the next couple of weeks.

I have also informally been sent on an updated layout of the school extension land which OCC are currently considering.

As with the other further submissions, and as agreed, we will pick all additional submissions up in a comprehensive and coordinated way for any formal public consultation/ES update when required but it is extremely helpful if you can continue to accept, publish and consult officers directly as we address issues.

Many thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Kind regards

Claire

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