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Land North East of Fringford Study Centre adjoining Rectory Lane, Fringford

With regard to the above application, the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal from a former application has been submitted however this is satisfactory as little is likely to have changed in the interim period. I consider the recommendations within the report to be valid. The precautionary working practices for birds, bats, amphibians and hedgehogs within section 5.4 of the report are fine to serve as a CEMP for biodiversity and can be conditioned as they are.

An overall net gain for biodiversity must be achieved on site and sections 5.2 and 5.3 make some good recommendations in this regard. A biodiversity enhancement scheme should be conditioned which must show the planting proposed on site, the location and type of integrated bat and bird features and any other features proposed such as hedgehog highways, log piles, insect hotels etc..

I have suggested conditions below, please reword as required

Kind regards

Charlotte

Biodiversity Enhancement – CON

A method statement for enhancing biodiversity on site, to include, but not limited to, details of planting and integrated bat/bird provisions, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority prior to the development reaching slab level. Thereafter, the biodiversity enhancement measures approved shall be carried out prior to occupation and retained in accordance with the approved details.

Reason: To ensure that the development will conserve and enhance the natural environment and will not cause significant harm to any protected species or its habitat in accordance with Government guidance contained within the National Planning Policy Framework and ESD10

Accord with Ecological Survey – TL

The development hereby permitted shall be carried out in accordance with the recommendations set out in Section 5.4 of the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal by Windrush Ecology dated February 2021 unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority.

Reason: To protect habitats and/or species of importance to nature conservation from significant harm in accordance with Government guidance contained within the National Planning Policy Framework.

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