

Andy Bateson

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Please find below some initial comments on the draft condition fulfilment documents:

Condition 10 – Construction Management Plan – The majority of this condition is not relevant to ecology but just a note on water quality section which states 'Whilst the system will be designed to intercept the majority of any contaminants produced as a result of the construction works, the initial period of the construction phase will be undertaken when the drainage system is not fully operational'. I could not see the reason outlined as to why the works need to start before the drainage scheme designed to deal with it will be operational? Or how much of the works will be done without this scheme in place?

Condition 11 – LEMP

Just a few comments on wording –

2.8 maybe the wording could be that an ecologist will review it at least every five years or more often if required (otherwise there is no requirement in place for an ecologist to review).

5.3 – doesn't state number of bird boxes. Is integration into building fabric possible?

5.33 – doesn't state number or minimum number of hibernacula

Condition 12 – CEMP

No particular issues. It would be helpful to have a plan of the proposed biodiversity protection zones to be fenced off.

Condition 19 – Woodland management plan

No issues with this but it would be useful to include comment on what is envisaged after 30 years.

I did not see anything on fencing and there was previously access for livestock (sheep) which should be fenced out – I may have missed this part though.

Condition 21 – surface water –

Condition 25 – water quality – I couldn't open these documents. But would need to be considered by EA/hydrologist

Condition 29 – Habitat Management Plan

The tree/woodland strip to be created to the North of the woodland seems to be missing from the table EDP 5.1:

Proposed Habitat and Target Condition, with Time to Target Condition for Post-development Habitat Creation.

The metric should be included with this habitat management plan so it can be referenced for monitoring.

It would be good to have some comment on what is envisaged following the 30 years.

Kind regards

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