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For the attention of Laura Anthony

Your Ref: AVA/2022/0187
Our ref: DWTAVA1652a

19th July 2022

Dear Laura

Proposal: Proposed two storey rear extension

Location: Red House Nursery 109 Mansfield Road Alfreton Derbyshire DE55 7JP

Application Ref No: AVA/2022/0187

With reference to the above application, I am responding as the Biodiversity Planning Officer responsible for work relating to the Service Level Agreement, which the Amber Valley Borough Council and the Trust have signed. The following comments are aimed at providing accurate and up to date information on the nature conservation issues associated with the proposed development.

The Further Bat Surveys (Peak Ecology, June 2022) did not record bats emerging from the site and therefore no licensing is required for the works. This report provides sufficient information for the council to determine the application and to discharge its duty in respect of the requirements of The Conservation of Habitats and Species (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019.



The development shall be carried out in strict accordance with the biodiversity enhancement measures recommended in Section 4.3 of the Bat Activity report and shall include the installation of two bat boxes, in line with specifications provided in Section 4.3 in order to achieve biodiversity net gain. Additionally, we strongly advise the council to attach a lighting condition to this application to limit any impact to nocturnal species, i.e. bats. Guidelines detailing lighting strategy can be found in "Guidance Note 08/18 – Bats and Artificial Lighting in the UK (BCT and ILP, 2018)". Such approved measures shall be implemented in full.

It is hoped that the information provided is helpful to the Council. If you require any further information or wish to discuss any of the comments made, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Endnote:

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