Derbyshire Wildlife Trust

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For the attention of Laura Anthony

Your Ref: AVA/2025/0853
Our ref: DWTAVA2196

23rd January 2026

Dear Laura,

Proposal: Change of use from Class E(b) (café) to Sui Generis to allow operation as a coffee shop with evening bar, live music and events. No external or structural alterations proposed.

Location: Elements Live Lounge 18 Grosvenor Road Ripley Derbyshire DE5 3JF

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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.

Response

We have reviewed the submitted information and is understood that the current application pertains to the change of use which will require only internal alterations. No external or structural alterations are proposed to facilitate the works.

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Based on the proposals and the information submitted, we advise that the application is considered low impact and unlikely to have a substantive adverse effect on biodiversity. We therefore have no further comments to make or any objections to the proposal.

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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