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Good evening,

23/00978/OUT | Outline planning permission for the construction of up to 20 dwellings with associated infrastructure (some matters reserved except for access and layout) | Land Off Barton Road Congerstone Leicestershire

No biodiversity net gain calculations have been submitted with the Ecological Appraisal, which are required prior to determination.

Measurable biodiversity net gain will need to be demonstrated, using the DEFRA 4.0 (or later) Metric. The NPPF (section 180. d) states that 'opportunities to improve biodiversity in and around developments should be integrated as part of their design, especially where this can secure measurable net gains for biodiversity or enhance public access to nature where this is appropriate'. DEFRA have released biodiversity net gain calculations (Metric 4.0), further details can be found here <http://publications.naturalengland.org.uk/publication/6049804846366720> which can be used to confirm whether the requirements of the NPPF have been met. Metrics should be submitted (in Excel format) with an accompanying biodiversity enhancement report/plan.

Kind regards,

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