

CONSULTATION TEMPLATE RESPONSE FROM LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL:

ECOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY PLANNING ADVICE

DISTRICT OR BOROUGH	Hinckley & Bosworth District Council
APPLICATION NUMBER	24/00560/HYB
ADDRESS	Land Off Station Road Market Bosworth Leicestershire
DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	Hybrid planning application seeking full planning permission for residential development of 138 dwelling houses along with landscaping, public open space, drainage infrastructure and new access following demolition of two existing dwellinghouses; and outline planning permission (all matters reserved except for point of access) for 0.55ha of employment uses (Classes E (g) (i, ii and iii), B2 and B8
PLANNING CASE OFFICER	Tim Hartley
DEPARTMENT	Ecology
PLANNING ECOLOGY OFFICER	Kirsten Hunter
DATE OF COMMENTS	6 th January 2025
SUMMARY RESPONSE:	
No comment	
No objection	✓
Recommend Refusal	
Holding Objection - Further information required	
Condition recommended	✓
Informative recommended	
SUMMARY OF ECOLOGICAL DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED:	
• Illustrative Landscape Masterplan - Drg No. P23-1884_EN_0007_D_0001; • BNG Statement; and • BNG Metric	
REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION PROVIDED:	
• The updated BNG metric is satisfactory with a slight increase in BNG gain compared to the earlier BNG Statement uploaded to the planning portal. This metric should be submitted for validation. • Recommended conditions as per the previous comments issued on 2nd December 2024 are given below.	

There are no further updates to documents pertinent to ecology to review on the planning portal, therefore I have no further comments and no objection to the proposed development.
BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN (BNG) specific comments:
See above
FURTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED:
AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDED:
RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS TO BE APPLIED:
As previously recommended: - Bat-sensitive lighting plan as recommended in Section 4.35 of the Ecological Appraisal. - RAMMS as recommended in Section 4.55 in the Ecological Appraisal. - Biodiversity Enhancement Management Plan (BEMP) - Construction Environmental Management Plan for Biodiversity (CEMP: Biodiversity) - A Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan (HMMP) should be produced once the application is accepted however a draft plan can be submitted prior to determination as evidence the above landscape scheme will be achievable to the conditions stated and maintained for 30 years.
RECOMMENDED INFORMATIVES TO BE APPLIED:
RECOMMENDED SECTION 106 REQUIREMENT (standard clause, contribution amount, trigger for payment)
DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS ONLY: (Please confirm which condition(s) is/are being discharged)

Note for applicants: Please be aware that this specialist advice is provided to the Local Planning Authority through a Service Level Agreement between the Local Planning Authority and Leicestershire County Council.

If you have any queries about this advice, please correspond directly with the Planning Officer assigned to the planning application or discharge of condition application. We are unable to respond directly to applicant enquiries regarding the advice that we have provided as part of this service.

The following legislation is used to assist in the assessment of planning applications:

Legislation source	Reference
National Planning Policy Framework	Paragraphs relevant to biodiversity, biodiversity net gain, ecological connectivity and protected species
Environment Act 2021	Mandatory Net Gain Biodiversity Duty Local Nature Recovery Strategy
District or Borough Local Plan and supporting SPD's	Local Plan policy
ODPM circular 06/2005: Biodiversity and Geological Conservation	Requirement for species survey work and mitigation recommendations to be carried out prior to the determination of a planning application. Paras. 98 and 99
NERC Act 2006	Biodiversity Duty (see also Environment Act 2021)

	Section 41, habitats and species of Principal Importance (previously BAP)
Various International, European and National laws in relation to the protection of species and habitats	International and national site protection: Ramsar sites (from Ramsar Convention), Habitat and Birds Directives (Natura 2000 sites include SAC's and SPA's), SSSI's, National Nature Reserves, Local Wildlife Sites, Local Nature Reserves. Habitats and Species protection: Habitat and Species Regulations (protected sites and species). Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended including special Schedule 1), Natural England Standing Advice. Badger Act.