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Subject: RE: 23/00432/OUT - Alex Jelley - Ecology Comments

Good morning,

23/00432/OUT | Outline planning application for the erection of up to 475 dwellings, including public open space, land reserved for a primary school together with future expansion land (Use Class F1(a)), drainage, landscaping and associated infrastructure. | Land North Of A47 Normandy Way And East Of Stoke Road Hinckley Leicestershire

I have been reconsulted on the application due to revised plans. The plans make little difference from an ecology perspective therefore my comments remain unchanged.

Kind regards,

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The application is very similar to the previous application for the site (22/00318/OUT) from an ecology perspective, therefore all of the survey work and ecology reports are acceptable.

As this is an outline application, an Ecological Constraints and Opportunities Plan (ECOP) would be my one recommended Condition. The main purpose of this document is to inform and lead the overall design process. It should show the key biodiversity constraints and opportunities associated with the development as currently proposed. The ECOP should identify the following, in accordance with BS 42020:2013 Clause 5.4:

1. Areas and features including appropriate buffer areas that, by virtue of their importance, should be retained and avoided by both construction activities and the overall footprint of the development.
2. Areas and features where opportunities exist to undertake necessary mitigation and compensation.

3. Areas and features with potential for biodiversity enhancement, in line with the submitted Defra metric.
4. Areas where ongoing ecological management is required to prevent deterioration in condition during construction/implementation.
5. Areas needing protection on site and/or in adjacent areas (eg from physical damage on site or pollution downstream) during the construction process.
6. Areas where biosecurity measures are necessary to manage the risk of spreading pathogens or non-native invasive species.

Any reserved matters application must be designed in accordance with the ECOP.

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