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Subject: Response To Application Number 25/00180/FUL at Heather Close Farm Markfield Lane Botcheston Leicester Leicestershire LE9 9FH
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Categories: Yasmin, Karen

Please find attached my representation in response to the above planning submission.

On behalf of
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CONSULTATION TEMPLATE RESPONSE FROM LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL:

ECOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY PLANNING ADVICE

DISTRICT OR BOROUGH	Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council
APPLICATION NUMBER	25/00180/FUL
ADDRESS	Heather Close Farm Markfield Lane Botcheston Leicester Leicestershire LE9 9FH
DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	Extension of existing commercial building including parking and turning area, as well as landscape and biodiversity enhancements
PLANNING CASE OFFICER	Matt Jedruch
DEPARTMENT	Ecology
PLANNING ECOLOGY OFFICER	Michael McCoy
DATE OF COMMENTS	15/04/2025
SUMMARY RESPONSE:	
No comment	
No objection	✓
Recommend Refusal	
Holding Objection - Further information required	
Condition recommended	✓
Informative recommended	
SUMMARY OF ECOLOGICAL DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED:	
Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan (Andrew Large Surveyors Ltd, 2025)	
REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION PROVIDED:	
- The HMMP draft is acceptable, therefore we have no objection. - A full HMMP should be conditioned, taking into account any post-development changes.	
BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN (BNG) SPECIFIC COMMENTS:	
N/A	
FURTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED:	
N/A	
AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDED:	
N/A	
RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS TO BE APPLIED:	
The development shall not commence until a 30 year Habitat Monitoring and Management Plan (HMMP), prepared in accordance with an approved Biodiversity Gain	

Plan, has been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The approved HMMP shall be strictly adhered to and implemented in full for its duration and shall contain the following: a) Description and evaluation of the features to be managed; b) Ecological trends and constraints on site that may influence management; c) Aims, objectives and targets for management - links with local and national species and habitat action plans; d) Description of the management operations necessary to achieving aims and objectives; e) Preparation of a works schedule, including annual works schedule; f) Details and a timetable of the monitoring needed to measure the effectiveness of management; g) Details of the persons responsible for the implementation and monitoring; h) mechanisms of adaptive management to account for necessary changes in work schedule to achieve the required targets; and i) Details of methodology and frequency of monitoring reports to be submitted to the Local Planning Authority to assess biodiversity gain • (To enhance biodiversity, and in accordance with the National Planning Policy Framework and paragraph 13 of Schedule 7A to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990)
RECOMMENDED INFORMATIVES TO BE APPLIED:
• N/A
RECOMMENDED SECTION 106 REQUIREMENT (standard clause, contribution amount, trigger for payment)
• N/A
DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS ONLY:
(Please confirm which condition(s) is/are being discharged)
• N/A

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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.
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