

CONSULTATION TEMPLATE RESPONSE FROM LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL:

ECOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY PLANNING ADVICE

DISTRICT OR BOROUGH	Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council	
APPLICATION NUMBER	25/00252/HOU	
ADDRESS	Vilia Close Burbage Hinckley Leicestershire LE10 2EX	
DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	Two storey side extension	
PLANNING CASE OFFICER	Ashleigh Gade	
DEPARTMENT	Ecology	
PLANNING ECOLOGY OFFICER	Michael McCoy	
DATE OF COMMENTS	09/04/2025	
SUMMARY RESPONSE:		
No comment		
No objection		
Recommend Refusal		
Holding Objection - Further information required		✓
Condition recommended		
Informative recommended		
SUMMARY OF ECOLOGICAL DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED:		
N/A		
REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION PROVIDED:		
- We have reviewed ‘Existing, Proposed Elevations, Proposed Floor Plans, Drg No. 1658 2’ (Andrew Moore Architectural services, 2024). - Due to the proposed extension having an impact on the existing roof structure and good connectivity to woodland to the south, a Preliminary Roost Assessment (PRA) will be required. The survey will need to be carried out by a suitably licenced ecologist and can be carried out at any time of year. - Please note that ODPM Regulations require protected species surveys to be submitted prior to determination of a planning application. It is also essential that the extent that they may be affected by the proposed development is established before the planning permission is granted. Reference: Paragraph 99 of ODPM Circular 06/2005 (Biodiversity and Geological Conservation – Statutory Obligations and their Impact within the Planning System). Therefore, any further surveys recommended within the report would need to be carried out prior to determination.		
BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN (BNG) SPECIFIC COMMENTS:		

N/A
FURTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED:
Preliminary Roost Assessment.
AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDED:
N/A
RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS TO BE APPLIED:
N/A
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

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.

