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**Our ref:** LT/2009/107748/01-L01
**Your ref:** 09/00178/FUL

**Date:** 09 April 2009

Dear Mr Wright

**ERECTION OF AN AGRICULTURAL DWELLING**
**BREACH FARM BREACH LANE EARL SHILTON LEICESTER LEICESTERSHIRE.**

Thank you for referring the above application which was received on 25 March 2009.

The proposed development will only be acceptable if a planning condition is imposed requiring a scheme to be agreed to ensure that the great crested newt population found on site is protected.

CONDITION
Prior to the commencement of development a plan is required for the protection and/or mitigation of damage to populations of great crested newt, a protected species under Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981, and its associated habitat during construction works and once the development is complete. Any change to operational, including management, responsibilities shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The great crested newt protection plan shall be carried out in accordance with a timetable for implementation as approved.

REASON
To protect the great crested newt and its habitat within and adjacent to the development site. Without it, avoidable damage could be caused to the nature conservation value of the site contrary to national planning policy as set out in Planning Policy Statement 9 and Planning Policy Statement 1. The applicant could also be liable to criminal prosecution under the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981.

We ask to be consulted on the details submitted for approval to your Authority to discharge this condition and on any subsequent amendments/alterations.

Applicant Information: survey licence requirements.
Please note that a licence will be required from Natural England to survey for, and, where any proposals are made as a last resort, to re-locate legally protected species.

I have sent a copy of this letter to the agent.

The Agency needs to compile reports to meet DEFRA high level targets and consequently a copy of the required decision notice should be forwarded following determination of the application.

Yours sincerely

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