

CONSULTATION TEMPLATE RESPONSE FROM LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL:

ECOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY PLANNING ADVICE

COUNTY, DISTRICT OR BOROUGH	Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council
APPLICATION NUMBER	24/01017/HOU
ADDRESS	Lyndale Lindridge Lane Desford Leicester Leicestershire LE9 9GN
DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	Two storey and single storey rear extension
PLANNING CASE OFFICER	Sophie Iliffe
DEPARTMENT	Ecology
PLANNING ECOLOGY OFFICER	Jemma Bett
DATE OF COMMENTS	23 October 2025
ECOLOGICAL DOCUMENTS REVIEWED:	
• Figure 1: Mitigation Plan – Protected Species Survey (Sept 2025) • Ecologist email – Elton Ecology (02/10/2025) • Preliminary Bat Roost Assessment Report - Elton Ecology (July 2025) • BMCL confirmation email (10/3/2025) • Proposed Plans – Dwg No. 03 – Rev B, Dwg No. 02 – Rev C (Oct 2025)	
SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:	
No comment	
No objection (for recommended conditions or informatives- see below)	✓
Recommend Refusal	
Holding Objection - Further information required	
REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:	
• The revised plans have been viewed (Dwg No. 03 – Rev B, Dwg No. 02 – Rev C (Oct 2025)). Subsequent to our previous comments, additional information clarifying the location of the bat roost has been provided by the ecologist, illustrated on plan and therefore, suitably addresses the mitigation required given the level of disturbance to the roost. It is worth noting any destructive works should be undertaken under the Bat Low Impact Class Licence (BLICL). • The location and model details of the permanent bat box and the compensatory bat roost provisions have been illustrated on plan and included on Figure 1 (Sept 2025). • Therefore, this suitably address our comments regarding roost compensation and the requirement for the installation of nesting provisions.	

• Taking the above into the consideration, the development shall be implemented in strict accordance with the revised plans, the compensation measures detailed within Table 9 of the Preliminary Roost Assessment (July 2025) and supporting documents (Figure 1). • We advise applying the following recommended condition, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the LPA.
ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS TO BE APPLIED:
• The development hereby approved shall be implemented in strict accordance with the revised plans (Dwg No. 03 – Rev B, Dwg No. 02 – Rev C (Oct 2025)), the measures within Table 9 of the Preliminary Roost Assessment (Elton Ecology, July 2025) and supporting documents (Figure 1).
ANY RECOMMENDED INFORMATIVES TO BE APPLIED:
• A Bat Licence from Natural England is required to proceed with the development lawfully.
IN THE CASE OF DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS ONLY: (Please confirm which condition(s) is/are being discharged)
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Note for applicants: Please be aware that this advice is provided to the Local Planning Authority through a Service Level Agreement between the Local Planning Authority and Leicestershire County Council Ecology Team. Its purpose is to discharge the legal duties of the determining authority under The Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) Regulations (2000), Regulations 4.

If you have any queries about the content, 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 to the determining authority.

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.

