

CONSULTATION TEMPLATE RESPONSE FROM LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL:

ECOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY PLANNING ADVICE

DISTRICT OR BOROUGH	Hinckley & Bosworth Borough Council
APPLICATION NUMBER	24/00769/FUL
ADDRESS	Kyngs Golf And Country Club Station Road Market Bosworth Nuneaton Leicestershire
DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	Change of use of land and the siting of 9 single storey holiday lodges with vehicle parking and associated works (Revised Scheme 23/00508/FUL)
PLANNING CASE OFFICER	Matt Jedruch
DEPARTMENT	Ecology
PLANNING ECOLOGY OFFICER	Kirsten Hunter
DATE OF COMMENTS	07/02/2025
SUMMARY RESPONSE:	
No comment	
No objection	
Recommend Refusal	
Holding Objection - Further information required	✓
SUMMARY OF ECOLOGICAL DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED:	
• Great Crested Newt District Level Licensing Impact Assessment & Conservation Payment Certificate; and • Preliminary Ecological Appraisal	
REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION PROVIDED:	
• My previous comments issued 18th Oct 2024 requested an update on the BNG metric and PEA including further information regarding the watercourse on Site and completion of outstanding protected species surveys. • The PEA has been updated and clarifies the watercourse lies around 200m north of the Site therefore no impacts are anticipated on the watercourse, nor within 5m of the drainage ditch on Site. Therefore, RCA will not be required. A robust Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) is recommended as a condition to ensure appropriate mitigation is in place to prevent impacts to the watercourse through water-borne pollution and contamination via the connected drainage ditch on Site. • BNG update is still outstanding. BNG Metric is required as full Excel spreadsheet so that review can be undertaken. This should include any indication of degradation of habitat. • A payment certificate for District Level Licencing with regards to great crested newts has been uploaded to the planning portal, indicating the applicant is following a DLL route. This removes the need for further great crested newt surveys.	

PROTECTED SPECIES FURTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED:	
N/A	
BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN (BNG)	
FURTHER INFORMATION IS REQUIRED REGARDING:	
Incomplete or incorrect cells in the statutory metric	
Incomplete or incorrect UK Hab or condition assessment information	
Final pre-development habitat value	
How post-development BNG land will be secured for 30 years	
Description of irreplaceable habitat	
Description of degradation	
BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN (BNG) SPECIFIC COMMENTS:	
See above	
DATE PROVIDED ON STATUTORY METRIC ONCE REVIEWED AND AGREED (for decision notice purposes):	
ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS TO BE APPLIED:	
N/A	
ANY RECOMMENDED INFORMATIVES TO BE APPLIED:	
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	International and national site protection: Ramsar sites (from Ramsar Convention), Habitat and Birds Directives (Natura 2000 sites include

the protection of species and habitats	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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