

Site Name	Field Maple House 34 Lindridge Lane Desford Leicester Leicestershire LE9 9GN	Advice Request	Ecology
Planning Ref	23/01020/OUT	Response Deadline	7 th February 2024
Planning Officer	Matt Jedruch	Completed By	Dean LeFeuvre
Date of Request	24 th January 2024	Date of Issue	8 th February 2024

Stance: Object.

Dear Matt,

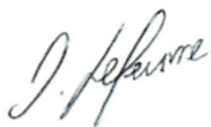
I am writing in respect of ecological matters for the above application advice request regarding the proposed outline planning permission for the construction of up to 5 dwellinghouses (some matters reserved except for access).

Thank you for reconsulting with me following my comments made during November 2023 requesting the provision of supporting ecological information. I can see that a 'Preliminary Ecological Appraisal' has now been completed for the site and issued for my attention.

The 'Preliminary Ecological Appraisal' report dated January 2024 completed by Three Shires Ltd is acceptable. The assessment identified that the site has limited opportunities for protected and notable species largely due to the current management and limited habitat typologies. However, there have been recommendations for further protected species surveys in the form of an internal preliminary roost assessment (PRA) of Building 1 (stable block) which should be completed by an appropriately experienced and licenced ecologist. Tree 1 will also need a further detailed assessment if it is to be lost to the development. It is almost impossible to correctly assess a tree's potential roost features (PRF) from ground level, and therefore a further assessment should be required. This should include the use of aerial climbing equipment to provide a detailed assessment.

Until the above recommendations have been completed, I have a holding objection. Please reconsult once this information has been submitted for review.

Yours sincerely,



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