

CONSULTATION TEMPLATE RESPONSE FROM LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL:

ECOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY PLANNING ADVICE

COUNTY, DISTRICT OR BOROUGH	Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council
APPLICATION NUMBER	26/00323/FUL
ADDRESS	142 Cedar Road Earl Shilton Leicester Leicestershire LE9 7HF
DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	Two storey side and rear extension and conversion of existing garage to store room
PLANNING CASE OFFICER	Gwion Russell
DEPARTMENT	Ecology
PLANNING ECOLOGY OFFICER	Michael McCoy
DATE OF COMMENTS	24 June 2026
ECOLOGICAL DOCUMENTS REVIEWED:	
Bat Emergence and Activity Surveys (Clayton Ecology, Jun 2026)	
SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:	
No comment	
No objection (for recommended conditions or informatives- see below)	✓
Recommend Refusal	
Holding Objection - Further information required	
REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:	
- We have reviewed the above document and find this acceptable. - The emergence survey found no bat emergence or activity; therefore, no further surveys are required. - Please see condition and informative below based on recommendations from report	
ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS TO BE APPLIED:	
No development shall take place until a biodiversity enhancement scheme has been submitted to and approved in writing by the LPA. Enhancements shall include at least one woodcrete/integrated bat box and one woodcrete/integrated bird box; the make/model and their locations. Any enhancement measures need to be shown on all relevant submitted plans. All works are to proceed strictly in accordance with the approved scheme.	
ANY RECOMMENDED INFORMATIVES TO BE APPLIED:	
All UK Bat Species are protected by law: Schedule 2 of The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017, the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (WCA) (as amended)	

through inclusion in Schedule 5 and Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000 (CRoW) which makes it an offence Intentionally or recklessly/deliberately injure, take or kill a bat. Therefore, all work must be carried out carefully with the expectation that bats may be found. If bats are observed within the building at any time work must cease immediately and Natural England or the assigned ecologist for this project must be contacted for advice.
IN THE CASE OF DISCHARGE OF CONDITIONS ONLY: (Please confirm which condition(s) is/are being discharged)
N/A

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.

