

CONSULTATION TEMPLATE RESPONSE FROM LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL:

ECOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY PLANNING ADVICE

COUNTY, DISTRICT OR BOROUGH	Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council
APPLICATION NUMBER	25/00861/FUL
ADDRESS	174 Newbold Road Barlestone Nuneaton Leicestershire CV13 0DT
DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of replacement self-build dwelling
PLANNING CASE OFFICER	Ashleigh Gade
DEPARTMENT	Ecology
PLANNING ECOLOGY OFFICER	Jemma Bett
DATE OF COMMENTS	30 September 2026
ECOLOGICAL DOCUMENTS REVIEWED:	
• Landscape Plan - 248-04 - Rev C - (09/09/2025) • Proposed Floor Plans, Elevations, 3D Visuals - 248-02 - Rev E - (01/09/2025) • Bat Mitigation Strategy – Fauna Forest Ecology (August 2026)	
SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION:	
No comment	
No objection (for recommended conditions or informatives- see below)	✓
Recommend Refusal	
Holding Objection - Further information required	
REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:	
• Following on from our previous comments, a Bat Mitigation Strategy has been submitted and reviewed. This includes suitable provisions for roosting bats in regard to a temporary replacement roost located towards the rear of the garden and a permanent provision integrated into the build. • Revised plans have also been provided, showing the bat and swift box locations on an elevation plan, along with suitable models proposed. Therefore, this suitably address our previous comments and must be adhered to. • The following condition is therefore recommended. The following informative should also be attached to any permission. • We note that the individuals who carried out the survey are identified on page 15 of the report, and a licence number has subsequently been provided separately. However, in our	

most recent comments, we requested confirmation of the individual to who this licence number relates to. • In this instance, we accept the information provided alongside the submitted Bat Mitigation Statement. However, for any future emergence surveys, we would expect the information submitted to identify the individual associated with the licence number. • We have no objection.
ANY RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS TO BE APPLIED:
• The development shall be implemented in strict accordance with the Landscape Plan - 248-04 - Rev C - (09/09/2025), Proposed Floor Plans, Elevations, 3D Visuals - 248-02 - Rev E - (01/09/2025) and the Bat Mitigation Strategy – Fauna Forest Ecology (August 2026)
ANY RECOMMENDED INFORMATIVES TO BE APPLIED:
• This development will require a bat license from Natural England to make it lawful. You must be aware that to proceed with the development without first obtaining a licence could result in prosecution. • All new planting should be composed of native species of local provenance and species to attract pollinating insects as identified in the RHS' 'Plants for Pollinators' database. Recommended hedging species mix: 80% hawthorn (<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>), plus any one or more of the following: field maple (<i>Acer campestre</i>), dogwood (<i>Cornus sanguinea</i>), dog rose (<i>Rosa canina</i>) and holly (<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>).
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.

