

CONSULTATION TEMPLATE RESPONSE FROM LEICESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL:

ECOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY PLANNING ADVICE

DISTRICT OR BOROUGH	Hinckley & Bosworth Council
APPLICATION NUMBER	24/00761/FUL
ADDRESS	Land Adj New Reservoir House Reservoir Road Thornton Leicestershire
DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT	Construction of new stable block, concrete yard and additional area of hardcored access.
PLANNING CASE OFFICER	Sullivan Archer
DEPARTMENT	
	Ecology
PLANNING ECOLOGY OFFICER	
	Kirsten Hunter
DATE OF COMMENTS	
	19 th December 2024
SUMMARY RESPONSE:	
No comment	
No objection	☒
Recommend Refusal	
Holding Objection - Further information required	
Condition recommended	☒
Informative recommended	
SUMMARY OF ECOLOGICAL DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED:	
• Block plan; • Site Location Plan; • BNG Metric; • BNG Report; • Pre- and Post-development Habitat Plans; and • Proposed Block Plan	
REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION PROVIDED:	
• The requested BNG information is satisfactory and provides suitable evidence that the proposed plans are feasible. The proposed landscape scheme is acceptable. • As previously advised, a Construction Environment Management Plan for biodiversity (CEMP: Biodiversity) should be adequate to address ecological concerns such as ensuring retained habitat is protected and works are conducted in a sensitive manner. This can form a pre-commencement condition. • A Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan (HMMP) is recommended as a pre-commencement condition to evidence that the proposed tree habitat will be created and	

managed to the condition stated, with suitable remedial measures, and 30-year monitoring scheme.
BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN (BNG) specific comments:
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FURTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED:
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AMENDMENTS RECOMMENDED:
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RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS TO BE APPLIED:
• Construction Environment Management Plan for biodiversity (CEMP: Biodiversity) • Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan (HMMP).
RECOMMENDED INFORMATIVES TO BE APPLIED:
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RECOMMENDED SECTION 106 REQUIREMENT (standard clause, contribution amount, trigger for payment)
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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 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 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.
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