

Site Name	Kyngs Golf And Country Club Station Road Market Bosworth Nuneaton Leicestershire CV13 ONP	Advice Request	Ecology
Planning Ref	23/00508/FUL	Response Deadline	14 th July 2023
Planning Officer	Christopher Brown	Completed By	Dean LeFeuvre BSC MCIEEM
Date of Request	26 th June 2023	Date of Issue	17 th July 2023

Stance: Object.

Dear Chris,

I am writing in respect of ecological matters for the above application advice request regarding the proposed erection of 9 single storey holiday lodges with vehicle parking and associated works.

I note that there has been previous comments relating to ecology provided by Sue Timms, former ecology team manger in February 2022, which requested a number of protected species surveys (e.g. badger, great crested newt) accompanied by the provision of a Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) assessment.

I have reviewed the most recent documents on the Hinkley & Bosworth Borough Council's online planning portal, and it would seem that none of the requested information has been submitted to support the application. Since the original comments were made, new guidance on the requirement for providing BNG has been issued, which states that small sites (<1ha) with less than 10 dwellings are exempt from BNG requirements until February 2024. So on this occasion BNG will no longer be required for this Site and its current proposals. However, the outstanding protected species surveys will still be required to determine the impacts and provide appropriate mitigation, therefore I recommended refusal until such information is provided.

In the first instance, I would advise that a Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (PEA) is undertaken, which will highlight any potential impacts upon designated sites or protected species (e.g. badgers, great crested newt etc) within the locality of the site. A list of consultants able to do this work is available via the CIEEM website here: <https://events.cieem.net/RegisteredPracticeDirectory/Registered-Practice-Directory.aspx>

Yours sincerely



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