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Cc: Sarah Postlethwaite; Jennifer Lucas
Subject: 23/01172/FUL - Sullivan Archer - Ecology Comments

Good morning,

23/01172/FUL | Change of use of agricultural buildings and associated hardstanding to flexible commercial/business use (Use Class E(g) and storage and distribution (Use Class B8), including diversion of access road, ancillary car parking, landscaping, and other works. | Hill Farm Fenn Lanes Fenny Drayton Nuneaton Leicestershire CV13 6BJ

From aerial imagery the area of works appear unlikely to support protected species or notable habitats, therefore I do not feel it necessary to request any ecology surveys. However it appears that a few sections of hedgerow will need to be removed for car park access, therefore I recommend the hedgerows proposed are species rich and consist of native species as compensation. Given the length of the hedgerow proposed compared to the loss, this would also provide ecological enhancements.

I recommend the following condition is attached to any planning permission:

- No development shall take place until details of the species-rich native hedgerow planting has been submitted to and approved in writing by the LPA. Details should include species proposed, size of specimens, specimen spacing and timing of the planting. Any hedgerows need to be shown on all relevant submitted plans. All works are to proceed strictly in accordance with the approved scheme.

I recommend the following informative:

- Nesting birds are protected under the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended); therefore all removal of trees/shrubs/hedges should take place outside the breeding season (March to August inclusive) unless carefully checked beforehand by a suitably qualified person.

Kind regards,

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