Dear Jenna

I have been passed your attached consultation response by Samantha Stockley for the above site.

I hope you don't mind me contacting you directly but I thought it would be helpful to provide you with some more information regarding the site.

I note that no information was provided in relation to ecology and apologies it would have been helpful to have addressed this within the Planning Statement. The application site is however already laid to hardstanding (please see attached photo that was taken in September last year). The site itself is not therefore considered to have any potential for protected species as it is devoid from potential habitats (including buildings, structures or vegetation) and as such commissioning of an ecology report does not seem necessary.

I note you refer to the site lying within priority woodland habitat, however as you can see the site itself is not located within the woodland and the proposed containers would not therefore affect the woodland. No external lighting is proposed and a condition could be attached to any grant of planning permission prohibiting the installation of lighting unless otherwise agreed by the LPA.

With regards to Core Policy 50 we are happy to provide for bat or bird boxes as we have done on the adjoining sites, however there appears to be little scope on containers and no other structures are proposed. The adjoining woodland lies outside the applicant's ownership so we cannot propose boxes in there, although we could provide additional bat and bird boxes on the neighbouring site if that would be of assistance.

It would be helpful if we could discuss this with you so that we can agree a suitable way forward, alternatively the submission of biodiversity enhancement measurements could be conditioned and therefore discussed in due course.

Thank you in advance for your time and I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

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