

2305 – Galteemore Farm – Ecology Enhancements

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Site Address: Galteemore Farm, Beckhampton, Wiltshire, SN8 1FE

Application Type: Discharge of Conditions

Application references – PL/2024/09439 & PL/2024/09812

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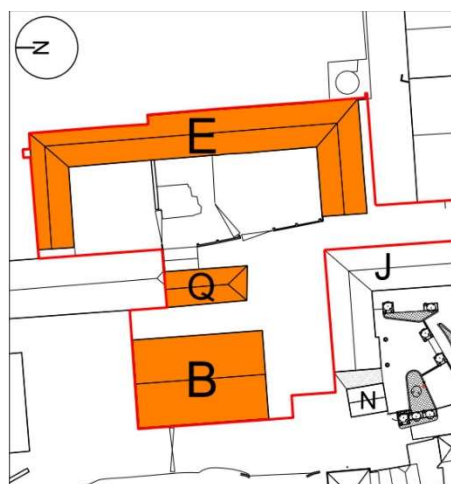
This report is intended to be read in conjunction with all application drawings and documents submitted as part of the above statement applications.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

The following information has been prepared for the purpose of discharging planning condition items 5. outlined within the Wiltshire planning decision notice dated 22/05/2025 under planning application reference number: PL/2024/09439. For ease of reference these conditions are noted as follows:

5. – Prior to commencement of any works, including vegetation removal and demolition, details of specific wildlife enhancements, including the number, design and locations of bat and bird boxes or other features that will enhance the site for wildlife, shall be submitted to the local authority for approval.

1.1 Key Plan



The above key plan indicates the block references noted within this and the associated planning application documents. Condition discharge information outlined within this document specifically relate to all highlighted Blocks.

2.0 CONDITION RESPONSES

2.1 Condition item 5. – Ecological enhancements.

As part of the original application a Bat Scoping survey and Nesting Bird Report was submitted by CSM Ecology, the conclusion of which outlined that the building's referred to within the report had "negligible potential for supporting bat roosts" and that there was an "absence of active birds' nest or any evidence of historic breeding".

Despite this conclusion outlining no visible presence of bat or bird' activity, the following features are proposed for the site in order to provide beneficial wildlife enhancement:

- Bat and Bird box provisions to be provided to the site to provide wildlife enhancement.
- Bat boxes are to be product type - Schwegler 2FE wall-mounted Bat Shelter. (*see fig 01*)
- Bird boxes are to be product type – Woodstone Build in house sparrow Nest Box – Ark Wildlife UK. (*see fig 02*)
- Enhancement boxes to be positioned so that they are mounted to external face of buildings 3.5-4m in height from the existing ground level.
- Due to buildings Block E & Q being of a lower overall height when compared to Block B (*see 1.1 key plan*), it is proposed that bat and bird boxes be located on the south and west elevations of Block B.



Fig 01



Fig 02

2.2 Location of wildlife enhancements



Site photo of Block B indicating proposed locations for bat and bird boxes.

Bat and bird boxes will be located on the south and south west elevations of the existing barn Block B. This location has been chosen due to Block B being the taller of the three buildings within the application. The taller south elevation will locate bat and bird enhancement at a height of 4m from ground. The lower West elevation shall provide bat and bird enhancement at a height of approximately 3.5m.

3.0 Conclusions

The information set out within this document demonstrates that the appropriate wildlife enhancement methods are to be applied that are proportionate to the recommendations set out within the previously submitted ecology report provided at planning submission. Accordingly, the details provided should be considered sufficient to fully discharge the relevant planning conditions referred to within this report. Should it be deemed appropriate, a written statement from a suitably qualified ecologist can be obtained to further support the methods outlined.