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Dear Sarah,

PLANNING APPLICATION: PL/2025/08677

ADDRESS: SALTERTON DOWN BUILDINGS, HIGH POST, SALISBURY, SP4 6BG

Thank you for meeting me on site on Monday 15th December. Further to our discussions regarding the recent comments received to the above application from the Council's Ecology Officer I am writing to provide some additional information.

Firstly, the proposed soft landscaping has been removed from the site layout. This was originally proposed in order to ensure that it is not possible for this consent and the recent Class R approval at the site to be implemented concurrently. However, due to recent case law, it has been established that the overlapping nature of the consents, and the retrospective aspects of the current scheme, mean that the applicant would not be able to implement both consents as soon as this revised scheme is granted.

As a result of this amendment, there is no requirement to provide for Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) at the site. The proposals will not impact any areas of habitat, with the non-retrospective aspects being solely located on existing hardstanding at the site.

Secondly, an Ecological Enhancement Plan has been produced demonstrating where a bat and bird box will be located at the site. These enhancements have been proposed in accordance with Policy 50 of the Wiltshire Council's adopted Core Strategy (2015). They will be erected at the site within 6 months of approval of the application.

The enhancement for bats will involve the erection of a single crevice-type woodcrete bat box on the southern elevation of the existing barn. This will ensure it is away from any existing access/entrances to the barn, and therefore away from any potential light source. The box will be positioned at least 3m from the ground, with no obstructions near to allow for a clear flight-path for bats.

For nesting birds, one bird nest box will be positioned on the west elevation of the existing barn, between 2m-5m from the ground. This will ensure the position is away from the majority of the farm plant and machinery so as to reduce potential disturbance.

I trust the revised information is sufficient to allow you to determine the planning application, however please let me know if you require anything further.

Yours sincerely

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