

30th March 2026

Our Ref: 2025-047

RE: Discharge of Planning Condition – Bat and Bird Boxes, Land East of Summer Lane, Upper Castle Combe (Application Reference: PL/2025/06076)

Background

Smart Ecology has been commissioned by N-Virocycle to prepare details of the bat and bird boxes that will be provided to enable the discharge of planning condition 4, which states:

Prior to the removal of any vegetation required in association with the construction phase of the development hereby permitted, details of the number, design and locations of bat roosts and nesting opportunities for birds (e.g. bat and bird boxes) shall be submitted to the local authority for approval.

The approved details shall be implemented before the first use of the development permitted.

REASON: To provide mitigation / enhancement for biodiversity.

Birds

One Schwegler 1B closed-fronted nest box (32 mm entrance hole) will be installed on a suitably mature tree within a hedgerow to the west of the development site. See Figure 1 overleaf for a plan which shows the location of the tree to which the box will be attached. The box will be installed at least 3 m above ground level, facing between the north and east, and in a position where there are no obstructions such as ivy in front of the entrance hole.

Bats

One Schwegler 1FF bat box will be installed on a suitably mature tree within a hedgerow to the west of the development site. See Figure 1 overleaf for a plan which shows the location of the tree to which the box will be attached. The box will be installed at least 3 m above ground level, facing south, south-west, or south-east, and in a position where there are no obstructions such as ivy in front of the entrance.

Yours faithfully,



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Figure 1 - Location of Bird and Bat Boxes

Land east of Summer Lane, Upper Combe Farm, Upper Castle Combe

-  Site boundary
-  Tree to which bird and bat boxes will be attached

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