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Subject: RE: Planning Consultation on: BN/172/21/PL

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Application No: BN/172/21/PL
Site Address: Eastergate Pumping Station Fontwell Avenue Eastergate PO20 3RZ
Description of Works: Installation of ground mounted solar panels. This application is in CIL Zone 3 (zero rated) as other development.

Bats

As detailed within the Preliminary ecological appraisal (Aug 2021) there is potential for bats to be roosting within the ash trees onsite. Due to this and as recommend within the survey further bat surveys are required to determine if bats are roosting onsite prior to determination. This survey needs to be undertaken by a suitably qualified ecologist during the active breeding period (May – September) and submitted for our approval with the planning application. If bats are found to be roosting within the building mitigation will be required and a mitigation strategy should be produced and also submitted with the planning application prior to determination.

The lighting scheme for the site will need to take into consideration the presence of bats in the local area and the scheme should minimise potential impacts to any bats using the trees, hedgerows and buildings by avoiding unnecessary artificial light spill through the use of directional light sources and shielding.

Guidance outlined in the new Bats and Lighting Publication produced by the Institution of Lighting Professionals and the Bat Conservation Trust "Guidance Note 08/18 Bats and artificial lighting in the UK Bats and the Built Environment series publication should be adopted into the site plans

(http://www.bats.org.uk/news.php/406/new_guidance_on_bats_and_lighting)

Dormice

We disagree with the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (Aug 2021) which states that dormice surveys are not required onsite. Due to the requirement to fell the ash trees onsite we require that further dormice surveys are required, and following guidance from Natural England, the NPPF and the Biodiversity and Geological Conservation Circular 06 we require that these surveys are undertaken prior to determination. These surveys will need to take place during the active period April to October by a suitably qualified ecologist. If dormice are found to be present onsite mitigation will be required and a mitigation strategy should be produced and also submitted with the planning application prior to determination.

Nesting Birds

Any works to the trees or vegetation clearance on the site should only be undertaken outside of the bird breeding season which takes place between 1st March – 1st October. If works are required within this time an ecologist will need to check the site before any works take place (within 24 hours of any work).

Hedgehogs

Any brush, compost and/or debris piles on site could provide shelter areas and hibernation potential for hedgehogs. These piles must be removed outside of the hibernation period mid-October to mid-March inclusive. The piles must undergo soft demolition.

A hedgehog nesting box should be installed within the site to provide future nesting areas for hedgehogs.

Habitats

As detailed within the Preliminary ecological appraisal (Aug 2021) the grassland onsite must continue to be undergo minimal management to allow seeds to disperse and any deadwood from the felled ash trees should be retained onsite along the southern boundary .

Kind regards

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From: planning.responses@arun.gov.uk [<mailto:planning.responses@arun.gov.uk>]
Sent: 25 January 2022 14:04
To: Environmental Strategy
Subject: Planning Consultation on: BN/172/21/PL

To: Ecology Advisor

NOTIFICATION FROM ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)
Town and Country Planning (Development Management Procedure) (England) Order 2015 - Articles 16 & 18 Consultation before the grant of permission

Planning Permission

Application No: BN/172/21/PL
Registered: 21st January 2022
Site Address: Eastergate Pumping Station Fontwell Avenue Eastergate PO20 3RZ
Grid Reference: 494775 106481
Description of Works: Installation of ground mounted solar panels. This application is in CIL Zone 3 (zero rated) as other development.

The Council have received the above application.

[Click here to view the application details](#)

Should you have any comments to make, these should be sent by replying to this email by 24th February 2022 . You can also monitor the progress of this application through the Council web site:

<https://www.arun.gov.uk/planning-application-search>

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In the absence of a reply within the period stated, I shall assume that you have no observations to make

Yours sincerely

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