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Sent: 27 August 2015 14:38
To: Planning.Responses
Subject: RE: Planning Consultation on: BN/29/15/PL

APP NO: BN/29/15/PL

Site Address: Land at Barnhan Court Barnham

Description of Works: Solar park including the erection of solar arrays, inverters, transformers, equipment security fencing, internal tracks, ancillary equipment & ecological mitigation. This is Departure from the Development Plan.

Bats

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.

Badgers

A 20m buffer should be put in place around the active sett and no works should take place within this area and fencing should be used to ensure this area remains undisturbed. However due to disturbance if any works need to be undertaken within 30m of the sett then a licence from Natural England would be required for this disturbance.

If it is not possible for the buffer to be put in place then mitigation would be required and a Licence from Natural England would be required to remove the sett. If this is the case we would require that a mitigation strategy for Badgers is submitted to us for approval prior to determination.

The badgers and other mammals should have unrestricted access to the solar farm field and should be able to forage in the field for their usual food sources; we are pleased to see the incorporation of mammal gates within the boundary fencing.

Reptiles

A precautionary approach should be taken within the site area with regards to reptiles. The grass should continue to be cut regularly so reptile habitat doesn't develop. Any dead wood, or rubble piles should be dismantled by hand and relocated.

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 (with 24 hours of any work).

Management plan

A management plan will need to be constructed with an ecologist and the land over to manage the annual growth of wildflowers and the development of scrub.

Enhancements

There are a number of possible enhancements which we would like to see including;

- Wildflower planting throughout to assist with the green corridor effect
- Hedgerow management including filling in gaps with native hedge species
- Retention of grassland buffer from all drains.

Kind Regards

Liz

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From: planning.responses@arun.gov.uk [<mailto:planning.responses@arun.gov.uk>]

Sent: 10 August 2015 14:33

To: Environmental Strategy

Subject: Planning Consultation on: BN/29/15/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/29/15/PL

Registered: 10th August
2015

Site Address: Land at Barnhan Court Barnham

Grid Reference: 495086 103423

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The Council have received the above application. I shall be pleased to receive any observations you may wish to make.

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

Should you have any comments to make, these should be sent by replying to this email by 10-SEP-15.

You can also monitor the progress of this application through the Council web site:
www.arun.gov.uk/planning

Please be aware that any comments you may make will be available on our website so please do not insert personal details or signatures on your reply.

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

The officer dealing with this application is Richard Temple who can be contacted on telephone number 01903 737591.

Regards
Planning Officer

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