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To: Rob Meynell

Subject: RE: BR/267/21/PL Former Westside Supplies Unit, Durban Road, Bognor Regis

Dear Rob,

Further advice from our ecologists:

"I agree that the size of the site and lack of connectivity in marginal vegetation means that the site is unlikely to be of significant value for commuting and foraging bats. I weighed up the option of requesting a survey of the willow trees to ensure no potential roosting features were present, however the ecology report also stated that the trees should be protected from construction, so I thought that the survey would really be pointless unless the trees were required to be removed.

As plans have now changed, we will require for the trees to be assessed for potential roosting features. This should be undertaken by a suitably trained ecologist and the results of the survey along with any mitigation required should be submitted as part of this application."

This is not something that can be conditioned as we need to be satisfied of no impact on protected species before we can determine the application so we will need the survey of the trees prior to determination. Please advise how long you need to provide these.

Kind Regards

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