

App No: FG/6/20/PL

Address: Hangleton Farm Livery Stables Wadars Animal Rescue Centre
Hangleton Lane Ferring BN12 6PP

Proposal: Development of Animal Rescue Centre, to include new buildings for reception, training & education, cattery, kennels & associated ancillary accommodation, conversion of existing barn into staff accommodation along with driveways, car parking & landscaping. This application is a Departure from the Development Plan.

Bats

As detailed within the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (April 2020), there is potential for bats to be roosting within the property on site. Due to this and as recommend within the survey further bat emergence 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.

Reptiles

Following submission of the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (April 2020), we are happy that the mitigation proposed would be suitable. A condition should be used to ensure this takes place.

Badgers

As a precaution any trenches should be covered overnight, or a means of escape made available and any hazardous chemicals need to be suitably stored away so animals cannot access them.

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).

A check will also be required for birds' nests within the building prior to work commencing. If nesting birds are found, works in the area will need to be avoided and the nest protected until after the young have fledged.

Enhancements

We require a number of enhancements are incorporated within the scheme and shown with the landscaping strategy. These include;

18.05.2020

- Any trees removed should be replace at a ratio of 2:1
- Wildflower meadow planting used
- Filling any gaps in tree lines or hedgerows with native species
- Bat and bird boxes installed on the site
- Grassland areas managed to benefit reptiles.
- Log piles onsite
- We require that gaps are included at the bottom of any fences to allow movement of small mammals across the site
- A hedgehog nesting box included on the site

Kind Regards

Liz



Liz Annalls

Environment Officer
Environmental Protection
Chichester District Council

<http://www.chichester.gov.uk>

