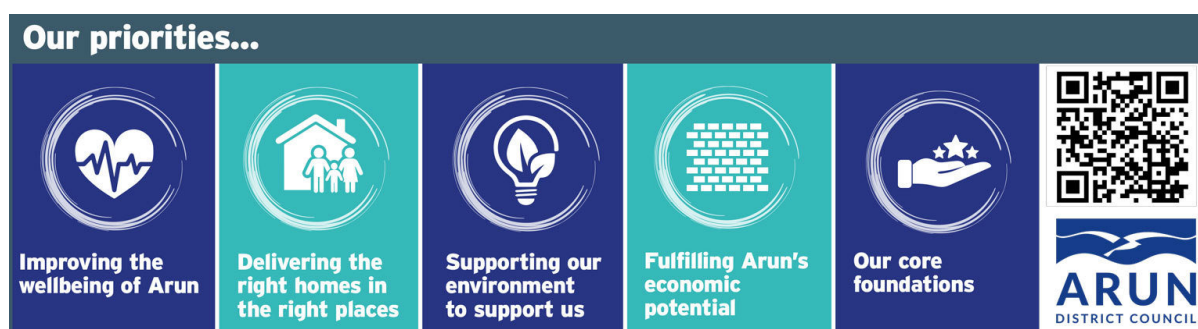


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I have reviewed the application with regards to ecology.

Recommendation: Hold for further details on the location of the nest boxes.

The site is quite constrained for opportunities to enhance biodiversity.
The fox den monitoring report is fine there appears to be no fox active dens on the site.

The landscaping layout and species mix and maintenance is acceptable with regards to ecology.

There are some of discrepancies in the biodiversity enhancement strategy by The Ecology Partnership dated March 2024, that require clarification.

Para 2.3 states the trees are young, and in para 3.3 the strategy states that the log piles will be placed under mature trees. Para 3.5 states there are no mature trees within the site boundary. Also, young trees will not support bird boxes so they cannot be placed on the trees. An alternative option for the nest boxes is required.

I am happy with the proposal to place the log piles within the retained scrub. A mix of horizontal and vertical log piles are recommended.

Regards,

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