

Application No: M/99/21/PL
Registered: 21st July 2021
Site Address: Guernsey Farm Yapton Road Middleton-On-Sea PO22 6DY
Grid Reference: 497483 100973
Description of Works: Change of use of existing farm shop and agricultural buildings to light industrial (Class E(g)) and storage and distribution use (Class B8). This site is in CIL zone 5 (Zero Rated) as other development.

Bats:

The hedgerows and treeline on site are used by bats for commuting and foraging and will need to be retained and enhanced for bats. This will include having a buffer strip around the hedgerows (5m) and during construction fencing should be used to ensure this area is undisturbed. Any gaps should also be filled in using native hedge species to improve connectivity. Conditions should be used to ensure this.

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.

If the proposals change and works to the roof are needed to be undertaken then further surveys are required. 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.

We require that a bat box is installed on the buildings onsite facing south/south westerly positioned 3-5m above ground.

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).

We would like a bird box to be installed on the property / and or tree within the garden of the property.

Hedgehogs:

Any brush piles, compost and 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

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.



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