

Susan Haley

From: Jonathan Best
Sent: 23 September 2026 11:42
To: Susan Haley
Subject: RE: P/103/26/HH - 2 Elm Close, Pagham

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Hi Susan,

The evidence provided in the video shows there is a bat foraging in the area. No date or time of the video is provided.

This video does not confirm that there is a roost, just that there is bat activity. The light levels suggest it is dusk. Because of that the roost is likely to be local to the property. The roost is most likely to be a transient day roost. Bats may roost in multiple locations during the active season.

The dwelling concerned is a modern bungalow and the roof and property looks to be in good condition. Bats tend to prefer older buildings pre-1940's because of the roosting features they offer.

I think the risk of this development causing harm to bats or disturbing a roost is very low. Requiring a roost assessment would be disproportionate for the level of proposed development.

I advise that an informative is added to the decision to ensure compliance with current legislation for protected species.

Regards,

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Hi Jon,

Further to our discussion the other day, I have asked the applicant to arrange a survey for the bats which they have emailed to say they have done so, and the neighbour has provided the evidence they mentioned. I have attached the video (been checked by IT) and the photo, which I will upload to the application.

Your thoughts would be welcome.

Thank you
Sue

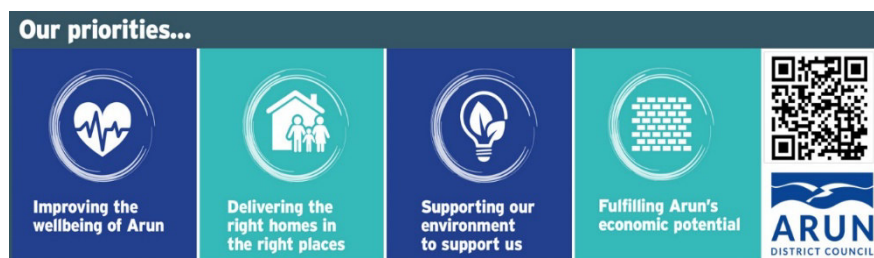
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From: Susan Haley
Sent: 15 September 2026 10:58

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Subject: P/103/26/HH - 2 Elm Close, Pagham

Good morning, Jon

I have had a representation from application P/103/26/HH - 2 Elm Close, Pagham stating that there are bats in the roof space (have attached if that helps). The proposal is for a single storey rear extension.

Please could you offer your opinion regarding the comment about potential bats, and therefore if I need to request further information from the agent.

Many thanks
Sue

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