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Ecology and Biodiversity Net Gain response

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Condair Building Artex Avenue Rustington BN16 3LN.

I have reviewed this application with regards to ecology and Biodiversity Net Gain.

Recommendation: I recommend approving this application with conditions.

The BNG assessment and metric shows an increase of 2,517.17% in habitat units. This exceeds the mandatory 10% required. This is achieved through creation of shrub planting and planting 16 urban trees.

The EIA has reviewed impacts to protected species and identified no impacts. There are recommendations for installation of ecological features listed below.

- Incorporation of wall-mounted bird boxes into the building at appropriate heights and orientations, such as a house sparrow terrace, starling box and swift brick, preferable integrated features where possible.
- Installation of an insect box onto the building; at least 2no. small bug hotels. These should be sited on the rear (southern) aspect, away from lighting and windows.

I advise installing 3 integral swift bricks.

I recommend the following conditions:

BNG1
ECOBNG2 – 3 swift bricks, 2 bee bricks/bug hotels and maintenance of the shrubs and trees.

Regards,

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