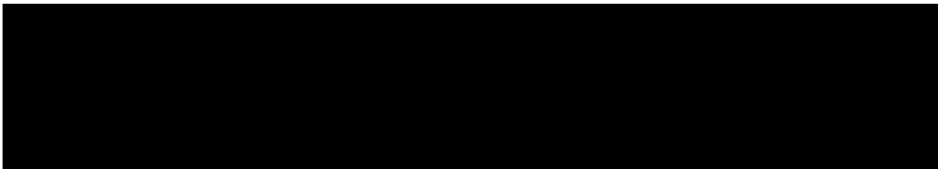




Further Ecology Advice "Need for Badger Survey"



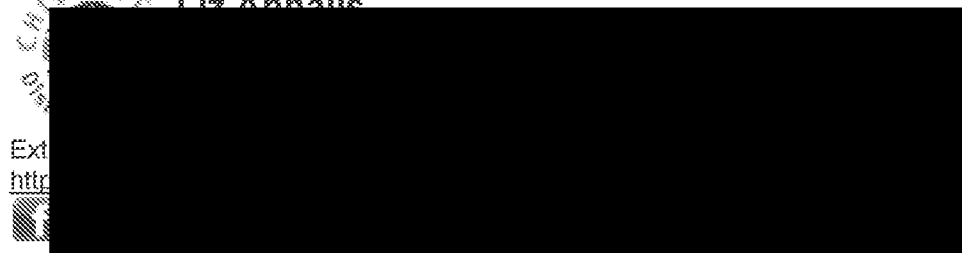
Afternoon,

Badgers are highly mobile creatures and due to habitats onsite and the likelihood of badgers to be in the wider landscape there is potential that badgers can move into a site which is why we ask that an updated badger survey is done a month before works commence to make sure there haven't moved into the site. It's not an onerous survey, more of a walkover done by an ecologist looking for signs of badgers or sett activity. Though this is just for access works, these works could impact a sett if it was found elsewhere on a site (which is why badger setts have large exclusion zones) and why I feel it is necessary. You could potentially amend the condition that if works don't take place within 12 months of the PEA (Jan 2020) an updated walkover survey for badgers would be required which may satisfy them.

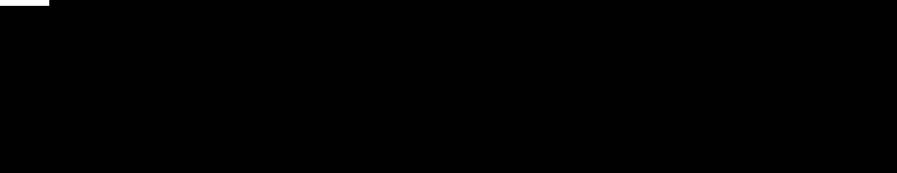
Many thanks

Liz

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Hi Liz,

Hope you are well and managing to work from home if that's the case.

On this application, the applicant has queried the need for a badger survey (see their comments attached). As the condition is to be worded as a pre-commencement condition, we cannot impose it unless they agree. Can you advise whether this condition is essential or whether it can be removed? Please also note that this application concerns only the vehicle access to the site so the red edge only covers a small area of the field.

Kind Regards

