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From: Liz Annalls

Sent: 16 April 2020 14:02

To: Amy Myer <Amy.Myer@arun.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Y/33/20/PL - Sunnymede, North End Rd - NEIGHBOUR OBJECTION RE ECOLOGY REPORT

Hi,

Yes that's right, they need to get the Sussex Biodiversity Record Centre protected species report and send it onto us.

Many Thanks

Liz



Liz Annalls

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From: Liz Annalls

Sent: 30 March 2020 14:38

To: Amy Myer <Amy.Myer@arun.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Y/33/20/PL - Sunnymede, North End Rd - NIEGHBOUR OBJECTION RE ECOLOGY REPORT

Afternoon,

I have had a look at the survey and it has been done following the cored methodology and the recommendations following NE guidance.

They have undertaken reptile surveys on site so it is likely that if there was terrestrial habitat on the site for GCN it would have been noted during these survey visits. I have put together some further comments which asks for a copy of the record centre species report / MAGIC mapping which was done for the site, they may not want this published (as you have to purchase this report from the record centre) and we can see what this says and whether the GCN record is present. All records that are sent through irecord have to be verified to make sure they are accurate as it is fairly common that people don't record species accurately with GCN being one of the harder species to identify. It's very difficult in these situations because if the survey has been assessed as not being suitable and meets all the requirements from NE and the CIEEM we have to except the findings really.

In relation to the amphibians onsite, though a common frog was found onsite, these aren't protected species, which is why the site was deemed unsuitable for amphibians as they are referring to protected species such as Great Crested Newts rather than common frogs.

If you have to get back to the neighbour quickly, I would say we are looking into this, and checking the record centre report once we have received it from the ecologist.

Many thanks

Liz



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From: Amy Myer [<mailto:Amy.Myer@arun.gov.uk>]

Sent: 30 March 2020 13:25

To: Liz Annalls

Subject: FW: Y/33/20/PL - Sunnymede, North End Rd - NIEGHBOUR OBJECTION RE ECOLOGY REPORT

Dear Liz,

CDC Ecology were recently consulted on this new planning application.

I have received the below comments from a neighbour, concerned about the accuracy of the applicant's Ecology Report submitted. Please can you review these when you are considering the application and drafting your consultation comments?

Many thanks
Amy

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From: George Bain [REDACTED]

Sent: 29 March 2020 17:12

To: Amy Myer <Amy.Myer@arun.gov.uk>

Subject: Y/33/20/PL

Hello

I am very concerned with a new planning application - Y/33/20/PL - that has been put forward adjacent to my parents property and land, i am especially concerned with the environmental statement on the planing application.

on 01/06/2017 I used the irecord website as advised by the Sussex biodiversity record center to enter my sightings of Great Crested Newts in our pond, the boundary of the proposed development would only be a few meters from this pond.

The environmental statement on the application - section 4.3.2 & 4.3.3 states that there are no records of Great Crested Newts within 2km of the site. it is very worrying that a record of about 2m away was not included! (there are other histoical records of great crested newts within the 2km radius (a pond in Walberton - also not mentioned)

Great Crested Newts are a European protected species. The animals and their eggs, breeding sites and resting places are protected by law. <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/great-crested-newts-protection-surveys-and-licences>

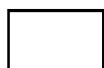
section 4.3.3 also states that a common frog was found during the site visit and then goes on to contradict itself by saying that the site is unsuitable for amphibians.

I must stress again how worrying it is that a environmental statment could be so inaccurate not only with endangered and protected species, but also what constitutes a suitable habitat. I hope this is not the case for the rest of the country and maybe this could be looked at further?

I look forward to your help with this matter

Kind regards

George Bain



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