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From: Liz Annalls [REDACTED]
Sent: 28 September 2020 09:36
To: 'George Bain' [REDACTED]
Cc: Amy Myer <Amy.Myer@arun.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Y/33/20/PL - Sunnymede, North End Rd

Morning George,

Thank you for your email below and the information regarding great crested newts. As you may have seen my last comments for the site has asked for species information on Great Crested Newts which was not submitted prior to refusal.

With regards to your information I recommend that you pass this onto the Sussex Biodiversity Record Centre, who hold map data on protected species within Sussex. Ecologists and Local Councils uses this data and mapping to help provide guidance and advise regarding protected species so it is very important that any wildlife sightings are submitted to the centre. Further information on how you can do this can be found here; <https://sxbrc.org.uk/recording/shareData.php>

Kind Regards

Liz



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From: George Bain [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 September 2020 19:08
To: Liz Annalls
Subject: Fw: Y/33/20/PL - Sunnymede, North End Rd

Dear Mrs Annalls

I have attached a video of a great crested newt filmed in the pond adjacent to planning application Y/33/20/PL

I saw your communication with Amy Myer in relation to this application and thought it may be useful to have video/photographic evidence

Ps the video didn't seem to want to send so I have included a couple of screen shots as well. Sorry for the bad quality it was filmed at night this summer

Kind regards
George Bain

From: Amy Myer <Amy.Myer@arun.gov.uk>
Sent: 21 May 2020 16:53
To: George Bain [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Y/33/20/PL - Sunnymede, North End Rd

Hi George,

No problem, her name is Elizabeth Annalls and her email address is: [REDACTED]

Kind regards
Amy

From: George Bain [REDACTED]
Sent: 20 May 2020 17:00
To: Amy Myer <Amy.Myer@arun.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Y/33/20/PL - Sunnymede, North End Rd

Hello Amy

I have just read your communications with the environment officer. Would it be possible to get her email address? the reason being I recorded a short video of a great crested newt the other evening and i

understand the concerns of accurately reporting these things. That video evidence may help in future cases.

thank you for sending her my concerns

kind regards

George

From: Amy Myer <Amy.Myer@arun.gov.uk>
Sent: 16 April 2020 13:21
To: George Bain [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Y/33/20/PL - Sunnymede, North End Rd

Dear George

Thanks for your email.

So, the previous version of the Impact Ecology Assessment was replaced with a new version for administrative purposes, as the only change this had as I understand it, was to the name of the planning agent on the front of the document as this changed during the course of the preparation of the submission (the applicant changed from one planning agent to a different one).

With regard the GCN record – we have asked the applicant/ecologist to request the Sussex Biodiversity Record Centre protected species report for the site, and then pass this onto us and our Council Ecology Officer who will then check and take a look at this. This will then be covered off in the Council's Ecology Officers comments on the scheme, which will then go on the case file online on our website.

Kind regards
Amy

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From: George Bain [REDACTED]
Sent: 15 April 2020 15:54
To: Amy Myer <Amy.Myer@arun.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Y/33/20/PL - Sunnymede, North End Rd

Hello Amy

I have seen that the Impact ecology assessment has been added again to the planing documents im not sure if this is done by the Ecology officer you mentioned would be forwarded my comments in the previous email?

section 4.3.2 There are no records of great crested newts within 2.0km of the site, and previous surveys in the vicinity of Yapton by Lizard landscape design and ecology in 2016 did not record any great crested newts. Great crested newts and their nesting / breeding sites are protected under the Conservation and Habitats and Species regulations (2017) and the Wildlife and Countryside act 1981 (as ammended)

for some reason they have still failed to list my record in 2017 i have no idea why, are you able to find out please?

thank you for your help

George

From: Amy Myer <Amy.Myer@arun.gov.uk>
Sent: 30 March 2020 12:17
To: George Bain [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Y/33/20/PL - Sunnymede, North End Rd

Dear George

Thank you for your email and bringing this to our attention. I do appreciate the concerns you have raised, especially with respect of legally European protected species.

I will request that your email is added to the case file online as a 'comment/objection' and I will also forward your comments to our Ecology Officer, who along with Natural England, will be considering the ecology impacts of the proposals. Within the next 3 weeks or so their comments on the application should be available online, and my officers report will have a section on ecology in relation to impacts and mitigation.

Please rest assured the ecology impacts will be fully considered and mitigation to protect species sort where required.

Best wishes,
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 historical 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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