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By email only:

Thank you for requesting advice on this discharge of condition from Place Services' ecological advice service. This service provides advice to planning officers to inform Mid Sussex District Council planning decisions with regard to potential ecological impacts from development.

Application: DM/25/1324
Location: East Grinstead Town Council Council Offices East Court College Lane
Proposal: Discharge of planning conditions No: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 relating to planning application DM/24/1340.

Thank you for re-consulting Place Services on the above discharge of condition application. We can only comment on conditions related to ecology.

Conditions

Condition 11: Recommend discharge

"A Biodiversity Enhancement Layout, providing the finalised details and locations of the enhancement measures contained within the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (JWK Wildlife Surveys, 30th April 2024) shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The enhancement measures shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details prior to occupation and all features shall be retained in that manner thereafter."

Reason: To enhance protected and Priority species and allow the LPA to discharge its duties under the s40 of the NERC Act 2006 (as amended). To be in accordance with policy DP38 of the Mid Sussex District Plan and national policy contained within the National Planning Policy Framework 2024.

Comments

We have reviewed the Biodiversity Enhancement Layout Rev 3 (JWK Wildlife Surveys, May 2025, submitted July 2026) which has been submitted in order to discharge Condition 11.

We note that the orientation of the four Woodstone nest boxes is now given as facing north, the height of erection as above 1.5m and the location as within the existing boundary scrub vegetation. We also note that the bat access tile previously facing east has been relocated to face south as recommended.

We are now satisfied that the submitted information includes the detail required by this condition.

Recommendation

Subject to implementation in full of the submitted details, we recommend discharge of Condition 11.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries in relation to this advice.

Yours sincerely,

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