

Dear Mr. Watt,

DM/26/2158 - Land East of Wineham Lane, Wineham, West Sussex, BN5 9AY.

Representation on the discharge of Planning Condition No. 5 relating to Planning Application DM/21/2276.

This application relates to the biodiversity of the site and mitigates the effects of the development.

We are concerned that not enough evidence has been given to MSDC before the works commence, and that there should be rigorous safeguards in place to protect the ecology and wildlife on and around the proposed BESS site.

Whatever the mitigating factors in place, the biodiversity and wildlife are still affected, it is just to what degree these effects are felt. The Applicant may have more “flexible” standards and interpretation of guidelines, than those of specialist ecologists and MSDC. Who will monitor the compliance before, during and after the work takes place on this site?

We ask that careful consideration be given to Condition 5 prior to its approval, in order that no undue ecological disturbance is caused to the site and its natural habitat.

It is our opinion that a **new planning application should be submitted for the whole site**, rather than seeking to amend the original planning application on a piecemeal basis via the Conditions, as some important factors may be overlooked, when the BESS development is not viewed as a whole.

Yours sincerely,

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