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Thank you for requesting advice on this application 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. Any additional information, queries or comments on this advice that the applicant or other interested parties may have, must be directed to the Planning Officer who will seek further advice from us where appropriate and necessary.

Application: DM/25/0712
Location: Hammonds Barn London Road Burgess Hill West Sussex
Proposal: Erection of a garden shed

Thank you for consulting Place Services on the above choose an application.

No ecological objection	☒
Recommend approval subject to attached conditions	☐
Further information required/Temporary holding objection	☐
Recommend Refusal	☐
Subject to Natural England's formal comments on the conclusion of the LPA's Appropriate Assessment	☐

Summary

We have reviewed the documents for this application and note no ecological information has been submitted the scheme. As a result, we have conducted a desk study to confirm the likely impacts upon designated sites, protected and Priority species & habitats. This included a review of Magic Map, local records and aerial imagery.

Following the completion of the desk study, we are satisfied that there is sufficient information is available to support determination of this application, as ecological impacts are not inspected.

This provides certainty for the LPA of the likely impacts on designated sites, protected and Priority species & habitats.

With regard to mandatory biodiversity net gains, it is highlighted that applications are required to deliver a mandatory 10% measurable biodiversity net gain, unless exempt under paragraph 17 of Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and the Biodiversity Gain Requirements (Exemptions) Regulations 2024. As a result, we are satisfied that this application is exempt from mandatory biodiversity net gains, as the development meets the householder exemption.

This will enable LPA to demonstrate its compliance with its statutory duties including its biodiversity duty under s40 NERC Act 2006 (as amended).

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

Yours sincerely,

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Please note: This letter is advisory and should only be considered as the opinion formed by specialist staff in relation to this particular matter.