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Ref: Capital Warehouse, Unit A Consort Way, Burgess Hill

Dear Peter

Co-ecology were commissioned by PGQ Property Ltd to provide a letter detailing the ecological value of the site at Unit A Consort Way, Burgess Hill (National Grid Reference (NGR) for the centre of the site: TQ 30196 18749).

This letter provides an outline summary of the ecological value of the site including an assessment of likely habitats present and the likelihood of any impacts to protected species. This assessment has been based solely on viewing freely available aerial images of the site

Site Context

The site is approximately 0.3 hectares (ha) in size and comprises of hardstanding with a narrow grass roadside verge running along the north boundary parallel to Consort Way. No other vegetated habitats are present and the original commercial building onsite has been demolished leaving concrete hardstanding in its place.

The site is situated within an industrial estate, with commercial developments on all aspects. The wider landscape comprises the urban buildings and gardens of Burgess Hill.

Development Proposals

The development proposals comprise of the construction of three new commercial units with associated vehicle access and parking bays. Approximately 2m² of the grass verge will be lost to facilitate a parking bay. There are no further impacts to the grass verge or any other vegetative habitats or buildings.

Summary of Sites Ecological Value

The grassland verge that runs along the northern site boundary has limited ecological value due to its small size and absence of any connectivity to habitats in the wider landscape. The verge, which has a total length of 80m, is surrounding on all sides by hardstanding, buildings and tarmacked roads.

The remainder of the development site comprises hardstanding concrete with no ecological value due to lack of vegetation and lack of opportunity for any legally protected and/or notable species.

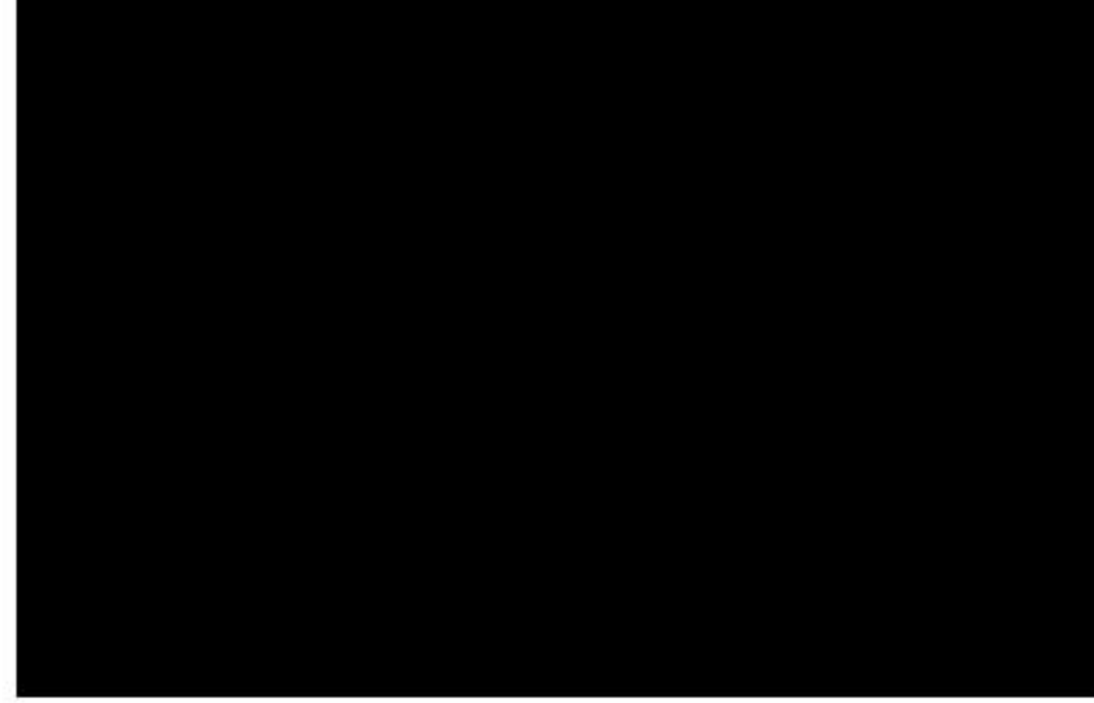
Impact Assessment

The majority of the development proposals are confined to hardstanding apart from a minor loss of grassland verge. The site as a whole has very low ecological value and there are no further perceived impacts to habitats or protected species.

Conclusion

No further surveys or assessment is required due to the nature of the site and the negligible ecological value and negligible risk of the presence of any protected species from the proposed development.

Kind regards



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