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Subject: Re: Request for EOT / Ecologist revised comments for DM/24/2735 North Hall Cottage

Hi Anna

Sore throat bug going around now!

We agree to anyone eto of 28th Feb

Regards

Jo

On Wed, 29 Jan 2025, 10:06 Anna Tidey, <anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear Jo and Mel

Thank you for your email. I apologise for my delay in responding to you, as I have been on sick leave earlier this week.

I have not visited the site with Emily, but I did review the site layout on my visit to post the site notices before Christmas (on 13.12.2024), when I saw your client in the garden.

I have asked Emily if she wants to revisit the site with me. If a joint visit is required I will let you know, after her current involvement with a Public Inquiry.

I have forwarded your email to Gen Broad, the Council's Ecologist. I expect to hear from her after her consideration of the points that you and your client have made. She is due to reply by 19th February 2025.

I note that the Decision Target Date is tomorrow, 30.01.2025. Due to the above reconsultation I shall be grateful for your agreement to an Extension of time for the determination of this application to 28th February 2025.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

Anna

Submit your planning application online.

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From: Jo Saady <jo@ecotecture.co.uk>

Sent: 26 January 2025 15:42

To: Anna Tidey <anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk>; Melanie Laurie <mel@ecotecture.co.uk>

Subject: Ecologist revised comments for DM/24/2735 North Hall Cottage

Dear Anna

Please have you visited North Hall with Emily yet, it would be good to meet you there to answer any questions if you have them, or if you have please can you let me know what your thoughts processes, and if any issues , other than Dormice(!)please do get in touch.

Please can you check that the ecologist is clear this application is for the rear extensions to the house, NOT the culvert, which was the previous application?

If this is not the case, is it the issue with the coppicing of the hazel in the tree report please, which is potentially a habitat on the boundary, as this work has already been undertaken, see photographs below.

In the ecologists response it still refers to damming the stream you see which is not the case.

As the works will involve temporarily damming the stream on the western boundary, we support the Precautionary Method Statement for aquatic species in Section 5 of the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (The Ecology Co-op, July 2023). This should be secured by a condition of any consent.



Here are the photographs of the work that has been done.



My client and I have been corresponding on this and I concur with his comments so wondered please could this be checked?

I now believe the mouse issue is a consequence of Marks tree report and my interpretation.

As you did mention during our latest telephone conversation, it is a direct consequence of my nominated materials route from Mallions.

When I discussed the route with Mark, the concern was RPA's, not mice. Pollarding the hazel was to prevent damage to the large branches overhanging the lane and unloading area as shown on his report.

I accepted the consequences that the root protection area would impose.

The hazel in question has already been pollarded, by me soon after the report was finalised. Mark said on several occasions that I was entitled to do so, and also it was historically a technique undertaken for years. Probably since pre tutor times.

Dormice where not flagged as a problem for the Culvert which had many hazel trees in that area of the site.

I'll give you a call tomorrow to clarify if that's OK?

Thank you

Kind Regards Jo

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