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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/26/1990
Location:	Slaugham Garden Nursery Staplefield Road Slaugham Haywards Heath
Proposal:	Discharge of planning condition no's 3,4,5,6,7,8,9 and 12 relating to planning application DM/24/2409

Thank you for consulting Place Services on the above discharge of Condition application. We can only comment on Conditions related to ecology. In addition, we have no comments in relation to Great Crested Newt, as we have been instructed by the Council to leave all comments relating to the European Protected Species to the NatureSpace Partnership. As a result, our comments only related to Condition 6.

Condition

6) Prior to commencement of works a Biodiversity Enhancement Layout for biodiversity enhancements listed in the Ecological Impact Assessment (ACD Environmental, August 2023), shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The content of the Biodiversity Enhancement Layout shall include the following: o detailed

designs or product descriptions for biodiversity enhancements; and o locations, orientations and heights for biodiversity enhancements on appropriate drawings. 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 & habitats and allow the LPA to discharge its duties under paragraph 187d of the NPPF 2024 and s40 of the NERC Act 2006 (as amended) and to accord with Policy DP38 of the Mid Sussex District Plan 20142031.

Comments

We have reviewed the Biodiversity Enhancement Plan (Elite Ecology Ltd, June 2026) and the Enhancement Map (Elite Ecology Ltd, June 2026) which has been submitted in order to discharge Condition 6.

We are satisfied that the submitted information includes appropriate details and locations for the proposed bespoke enhancements and that the proposals are proportionate to the scale of development.

Recommendation

Subject to implementation in full of the submitted details, we recommend discharge of Condition 6.

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

Yours sincerely,

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Place Services provide ecological advice on behalf of Mid Sussex District Council.

Please note:

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

We are unable to respond directly to applicants/agents or other interested parties. Any additional information, queries or comments on this advice that the applicant/agent or other interested parties may have, must be directed to the Planning Officer at the relevant LPA, who will seek further advice from us where appropriate.

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