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**Sent:** 20 January 2026 10:11:59 UTC+00:00  
**To:** "Anna Tidey" <anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** RE: NatureSpace Consultation response/Site visit follow up - DM/25/2463 & 4 - The Barn House, Cuckfield Road, Ansty. (GH1009)  
**Attachments:** 260120\_The-Barn\_House\_GCN\_Appraisal\_Report.pdf

Good morning Anna,

I hope all is well?

I am pleased to attach the GCN report, which was received this morning. I trust this provides everything needed to enable the application to proceed to a positive determination, and if you have any questions then please do not hesitate to ask.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

Rob

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**From:** Rob Harrington  
**Sent:** Friday, January 9, 2026 9:30 AM  
**To:** 'Anna Tidey' <anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk>  
**Subject:** RE: NatureSpace Consultation response/Site visit follow up - DM/25/2463 & 4 - The Barn House, Cuckfield Road, Ansty.

Good morning Anna,

Very many thanks for your email, and I can agree to the EOT until 13.02.2026. I will forward the report to you as soon as I receive it.

I look forward to being in touch again soon.

Best regards,

Rob

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**From:** Anna Tidey <[anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk](mailto:anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk)>  
**Sent:** Friday, January 9, 2026 9:27 AM  
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**Subject:** RE: NatureSpace Consultation response/Site visit follow up - DM/25/2463 & 4 - The Barn House, Cuckfield Road, Ansty.

Good morning Rob

Thank you for your email.

I am glad that there has been progress on this matter, and thank you for the update. I look forward to receiving the Ecologist's report.

In the meantime, please can I request agreement to a further EOT to **13.02.2026**, which should allow time for the reconsultation period?

I look forward to hearing from you, once you have received the report.

Kind regards

Anna

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**Sent:** 08 January 2026 16:05

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**Subject:** RE: NatureSpace Consultation response/Site visit follow up - DM/25/2463 & 4 - The Barn House, Cuckfield Road, Ansty.

Dear Anna,

Happy New Year to you too! I hope is well?

Very many thanks for your email in respect of this. An assessment of the site was carried out by an ecologist before Christmas, and I am anticipating receiving the completed report either tomorrow or early next week.

Can we agree to a further EOT to enable this to be submitted and reviewed?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

Rob

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**From:** Anna Tidey <[anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk](mailto:anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk)>

**Sent:** Thursday, January 8, 2026 3:56 PM

**To:** Rob Harrington <[rh@gouldbaxter.co.uk](mailto:rh@gouldbaxter.co.uk)>

**Subject:** FW: NatureSpace Consultation response/Site visit follow up - DM/25/2463 & 4 - The Barn House, Cuckfield Road, Ansty.

Dear Rob

Happy New Year.

I have reviewed the above applications and our correspondence from November last year, see below.

I note that the agreed EOT date currently runs to tomorrow, 09.01.2026, but these will need to be extended.

Please can you update me with your clients intentions?

Regards

Anna

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**From:** Anna Tidey

**Sent:** 18 November 2025 16:42

**To:** 'Rob Harrington' <[rh@gouldbaxter.co.uk](mailto:rh@gouldbaxter.co.uk)>

**Subject:** RE: NatureSpace Consultation response/Site visit notification - DM/25/2463 & 4 - The Barn House, Cuckfield Road, Ansty.

Hi Rob

Thank you for your email. I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

Anna

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**From:** Rob Harrington <[rh@gouldbaxter.co.uk](mailto:rh@gouldbaxter.co.uk)>  
**Sent:** 18 November 2025 16:29  
**To:** Anna Tidey <[anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk](mailto:anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk)>  
**Subject:** RE: NatureSpace Consultation response/Site visit notification - DM/25/2463 & 4 - The Barn House, Cuckfield Road, Ansty.

Hi Anna,

Very many thanks for your email.

Rest assured this has not been forgotten about, and I am awaiting feedback from an ecologist with a quote for preparing the necessary information. As soon as this is received and agreed with our Client, I will be in a position to update you on progress and timescales.

I look forward to being in touch again soon.

Best regards,

Rob

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**From:** Anna Tidey <[anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk](mailto:anna.tidey@midsussex.gov.uk)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 18, 2025 3:50 PM  
**To:** Rob Harrington <[rh@gouldbaxter.co.uk](mailto:rh@gouldbaxter.co.uk)>  
**Subject:** RE: NatureSpace Consultation response/Site visit notification - DM/25/2463 & 4 - The Barn House, Cuckfield Road, Ansty.

Dear Rob

I am aware that I have yet to receive a reply from you regarding your clients intended approach to the comments from the District Licensing Officer (Great Crested Newts), which I forwarded to you on 05.11.2025?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

Anna

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**From:** Anna Tidey  
**Sent:** 05 November 2025 15:55  
**To:** 'rh@gouldbaxter.co.uk' <[rh@gouldbaxter.co.uk](mailto:rh@gouldbaxter.co.uk)>  
**Subject:** FW: NatureSpace Consultation response/Site visit notification - DM/25/2463 & 4 - The Barn House, Cuckfield Road, Ansty.

Dear Rob

I have received the attached comments today from Laura Downs, District Licensing Officer (Great Crested Newts) for West Sussex regarding this application.

As you can see Laura has **requested additional information** to support the application, as she is of the opinion that there is a **reasonable likelihood** that Great Crested Newts will be impacted by the development proposals. Three recommended approaches are outlined :

-Submit a NatureSpace Report or Certificate to demonstrate that the impacts of the proposed development can be addressed through Mid Sussex District Council's District Licence. This method of licensing often removes the need for survey work and onsite mitigation for great crested newts as it provides compensation habitats off site. (more details can be found at [www.naturespaceuk.com](http://www.naturespaceuk.com)); or

-Provide further information (PEA), in line with Natural England's Standing Advice, to rule out impacts to great crested newts\*, or demonstrate how any impacts can be addressed through appropriate mitigation/compensation proposals\*\*; or

-If it is determined that there is no suitable habitat impacted on site and the likelihood of great crested newts is very low, then a precautionary working statement in the form of Reasonable Avoidance Measures (RAMs)/Non-Licensed Method Statement (NLMS) strategy documents completed by a suitably qualified ecologist may be acceptable for the development.

**Please can you discuss this matter with your client and advise me how he wishes to proceed?**

**Site visit** - Whilst writing I shall be in the Ansty area on Friday afternoon this week. I would like to carry out my site visit to assess the above application on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November, at around 2.30pm -3pm, if that is convenient,**

I do not need to meet anyone at the site, but I will need to enter the garden. The visit should not take longer than 30 minutes. I will take photographs of the building and the surroundings to assist in my report writing. **Please ensure any access gates are unlocked and openable.** If there is any reason why your client would rather I didn't visit then I shall be pleased if you can advise me as soon as possible.

I look forward to hearing from you regarding my visit.  
Thank you.

Kind regards  
Anna

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**Sent:** 05 November 2025 15:17

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**Cc:** planninginfo <[planninginfo@midsussex.gov.uk](mailto:planninginfo@midsussex.gov.uk)>

**Subject:** NatureSpace Consultation- DM/25/2463 | Conversion of the existing timber framed barn outbuilding in to living accommodation for guests of the main house.

Good afternoon Anna,

**Planning reference: DM/25/2463 | Conversion of the existing timber framed barn outbuilding in to living accommodation for guests of the main house.**

Please find attached our consultation comments, should there be any changes to the proposed development, please reconsult us.

Best wishes,

Laura Downs (*she/her*)  
District Licensing Officer (Great Crested Newts) – West Sussex

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