

Andrew Horrell

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 30 June 2025 20:14
To: Andrew Horrell
Subject: Fw: GCN report for job 1971

Hi Andrew,

Please see email below from Frances King-Smith at Ecology Works.

Kind regards,
Simon.

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[REDACTED]
Sent: Monday 30 June 2025 at 19:40:18 BST
Subject: Re: GCN report for job 1971

Hi Simon,

It's a good idea to send your case officer the negative GCN result, as this proves an absence of this species from your pond and negates the need for further surveys, or for participation in the District Level Licence. The risk of fish and ducks predating newt larvae and eggs may well be associated with their absence from this pond. Furthermore, waterfowl cause a significant decrease in water and habitat quality for GCN caused by pollution from droppings and consumption of the emergent plants required for egg-laying female newts. Waterfowl also disturb the water environment, which increases turbidity and reduces visibility newts require for courtship displays, predator vigilance and navigation.

I hope your plans go well, do come back to me if you have any further queries.

Kind regards,

Frankie

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