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Subject: RE: 24/0563 - Silver Birches

Hello Vicky,

I have considered the Bat Survey Report V1.0 dated June 2025, and note that the building is confirmed as a bat roost.

In accordance with the NRW Approach to Bats and Planning Good Practice Guide 2015, this roost constitutes a 'Low Risk Case', and so the standing advice is that we do not need to consult NRW on this application. This is with the proviso that the recommendations of the Bat Survey Report are implemented.

In this instance, my advice is that the Bat Survey Report, and in particular its Concluding Remarks and Recommendations (Section 9.0), is suitable for this purpose. Therefore we should use a planning condition to require that all of the avoidance, mitigation and compensation measures set out in Section 9.0 are implemented.

Please note that an EPS Licence issued by NRW will still be needed to allow the proposed works to take place. That licence will be issued subject to a series of conditions, which will include the implementation of the mitigation measures set out in section 9.0 of the Bat Survey Report, together with any other that NRW require.

Matt