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To: "Khela, Harpreet" <HARPREET.KHELA@newport.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Planning Application 25/0226

Hello Harpreet,

For the works to the main bungalow my only concern would be impacts upon bat or birds which may be roosting and nesting in the roof. However as this is a single-storey building or relatively modern construction, and the application is for extension rather than demolition, I think the potential for disturbance is reduced. Therefore I would not ask for a bat survey on this occasion.

In relation to the outbuildings, again these are single storey, and the single-skin corrugated roof is not conducive to roosting bats as it does not have the right thermal properties. Therefore I would not ask for a bat survey but there is a risk of nesting birds in the buildings and the ivy that seems to be growing on them.

We can never totally rule out the presence of a bat roost, so we should attach our Bat Advisory Note to any consent granted. For nesting birds, the Applicant should be reminded that nesting birds are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981: Part 1, 1(1)(b), whereby it is an offence to intentionally take, damage or destroy the nest of any wild bird while that nest is in use or being built.

Matt Harris
Ecology Officer

Bat Advisory Note

Bats often roost in trees, and work on these trees may disturb a bat roost. All bats and their roosts are protected against disturbance under UK and European legislation. If works are planned on a tree in which bats are known to be roosting, Natural Resources Wales (NRW) must be contacted for advice.

If work has already commenced and bats are found, or if any evidence that bats are using the site as a roost is found, work should cease and NRW should be contacted immediately.

Where there is a likelihood that bats are present, or where bats are found to be present, a suitably qualified and experienced ecological consultant should be contracted to provide an assessment of the impact of the proposed works, and undertake bat surveys if necessary.

Where bats or their roosts are found to be present, no works of tree felling or removal of major limbs should take place unless a licence to disturb these species and/or their roosts has been granted in accordance with the relevant legislation. Otherwise, a prosecution may result.

NRW can be contacted at:-

Natural Resources Wales, Tŷ Cambria, 29 Newport Road, Cardiff CF24 0TP, 0300 065 3000

Bat Conservation Trust can be contacted at:-

5th Floor, Quadrant House, 250 Kennington Lane, London, SE11 5DR, 0845 1300228

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Good morning Matt,

Please let me know if you have any comments for planning regarding this application.

Kind regards

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