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Subject: RE: 25/0310

Hello Lydia,

Looking at NRW's response of 30th May 2025, I note they have considered the impacts upon the nearby Gwent Levels SSSI and proposed a planning condition to address these concerns, which I support.

In relation to Water Voles we can from assume from NRW's response that they would be likely to issue a WCA licence for the works to proceed based upon the mitigation measures set out in the EcIA dated February 2024. NRW have asked that these measures be secured by planning condition, and I support this also.

I still cannot see any specific biodiversity enhancement measures which are relevant to this location, so we should use a planning condition to secure the submission and implementation of a biodiversity enhancement plan for this site.

Matt