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Mr M. Peacock Planning Officer Welwyn Hatfield Council Welwyn Garden City Hertford

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Dear Mr Peacock

Planning Application: S6/2011/2816/FP; York House, Salisbury Square, Hatfield. Erection of new staircase extension with lift, erection of two storey side extension to form two B1 studio units, external alterations to elevations including re-cladding brickwork and render.

Phase 1 Bat Assessment. PV Ecology. November 2011.

A day time inspection of the building took place on 23rd November 2011.

No signs or evidence of roosting bats was found and it was concluded that the building is of negligible to low suitability for roosting bats.

However, the report recommends that a precautionary approach is taken.

HBRC recommendations.

The following condition should be attached to any permission granted:

Development works will take place during the period mid-October to the end of February inclusive. In the event of bats being found, work must stop immediately and ecological advice taken on how to proceed lawfully.

Yours sincerely,

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