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Ask for: B. Tranter  
Our Ref:  
Your Ref: S6/2013/2381/FP  
Tel: 01992 555220  
Date: 26/11/2013

Dear Mr Peacock,

**Planning Application: S6/2013/2381/FP. 12 Ramsey Close, Brookmans Park.  
Erection of single storey front and side extension and two storey rear extension  
following demolition of existing garage**

Thank you for consulting us on the above application.

**1. Database and ecological evaluation**

The LRC database does not hold any biological records (habitats or species) for 12 Ramsey Close or the immediate surrounding area. From the documents supplied and aerial photographs we assess the dwelling proposed for conversion and the garage proposed for demolition as being suboptimal as bat roost sites and we consider that it would be unreasonable for the LPA to require a bat assessment survey to be submitted in support of this application.

**2. Conclusions**

We conclude that there are no known ecological constraints regarding the proposed development and the application can be determined accordingly.

We trust these comments are of assistance and should you require any further information or advice, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

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