Comment for planning application 6/2023/1354/COND

Application Number 6/2023/1354/COND

Location

71 Station Road Cuffley EN6 4HG

Proposal

Submission of details pursuant to conditions 1 (Contamination), 2 (Footway crossovers and dropped kerbs), 3 (Construction Management Plan), 4 (Drainage), 5 (Materials), 6 (Fence height), 7 (Noise Impact), 8a (Accessible and adaptable housing), 9 (Biodiversity), 10 (Energy and sustainability), 11 (Cycle provision, refuse and recycling), 16 (External lighting), 17 (Bollards for car parking) and 20 (Parking allocation) on planning permission 6/2021/0456/MAJ

Case Officer

Mr David Elmore

Organisation Type of Comment

Comment

Type

neighbour

Comments

The proposal to include two wall mounted bird boxes is insufficient to discharge this condition. Such a scheme will be insufficient to provide a meaningful enhancement including the provision of favourable habitat for red listed species. Swift, house sparrow and house martin which are all suffering severe population declines will not be benefitted by such a scheme as all are colonial nesters requiring the provision of large numbers of nest sites in order for them to breed successfully. It would be much more beneficial for swift nesting bricks to be provided (which can also be used by other nesting birds such as starling, house sparrow and house martin). RSPB guidance suggests that least one brick per new unit should be provided, or in the case of commercial space, 1 per 1000 sq metre. The condition should not be discharged without reference to these guidelines. I attach some information on swift bricks and a technical note provided as guidance to planners by the RSPB.

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Attachments

The following files have been uploaded:

- Facts about swift bricks.pdf
- Biodiversity_TAN_LF_Update_300321 (1).pdf