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Dear David

Application: Submission of details pursuant to condition 6 (sample of materials) and 7(details of external lighting scheme) on planning permission 6/2019/0085/MAJ"

Address: Chancellors School, Pine Grove, Brookmans Park, Hatfield, AL9 7BN

Reference 6/2020/1066/COND

Thank you for consulting Hertfordshire Ecology on the above condition, which I have quoted in full below, followed by my comments:

No development above ground level in any phase of the development shall take place until details of an external lighting scheme have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority (including vertical lux diagrams which show potential light trespass into windows of nearby residential properties). This scheme must meet the requirements within the Institution of Lighting Engineers guidance notes for the reduction of obtrusive lighting. Subsequently the development shall not be carried out other than in accordance with the approved details.

REASON: To minimise the potential for light pollution, in the interests of visual amenity, ecology, highway safety and the living conditions of neighbouring occupiers in accordance with Policies R20 and D1 of the Welwyn Hatfield District Plan 2005; Policy SADM11 and SADM18 of the Welwyn Hatfield Borough Council Draft Local Plan Proposed Submission August 2016; and the National Planning Policy Framework 2019.

The accompanying lux diagram shows that the light spill from the proposed lighting scheme does not extend greatly beyond the building and car park. The Luminaries design reduce or prevent the amount of light being cast upwards or sideways and the nearby Local Wildlife Site (LWS) of George's Wood should be unaffected. Consequently, from an ecological perspective I am happy to advise **Condition 7 can be discharged.**

I trust these comments are of assistance,
Yours sincerely

Simon Richards
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