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Longridge - Ecology Response

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Dear Ben

App 3/2024/0622 Proposed conversion of barn 1 to two-storey, four bedroom dwelling; demolition of outbuilding 1 and construction of new double garage; construction of new roof and conversion of outbuilding 2 to form single-storey incidental domestic hobby space; creation of new vehicular access, garden and landscaping; new sewage treatment plant and diversion of public footpath.

Thank you for consulting the Ecology Unit on the above planning application

Bats and Barn Owls

The planning statement provided as part of the application states that bat surveys and barn owl surveys have been carried out, but I could not find the actual survey reports on the website. It would be useful to have sight of the primary survey reports.

I do note that the planning statement says that roosting Bats were not recorded but Barn Owls were recorded.

Biodiversity Net Gain

I would accept that, based on the Landscaping Plans provided, the development could achieve the required Net Gain in Biodiversity. I would not regard the on-site Biodiversity Gains to be 'significant', but the long-term Management and Monitoring of the Landscaping should be secured by Condition.

Yours

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