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Dear Planning

Re App 3/2024/1000 Barn at Greengore Hill Lane Hurst Green - Change of use of land to form extended residential curtilage and construction of residential storage building. Formation of new vehicular access from Hill Lane for new agricultural building.

The BNG Report provided with the above planning application appears to have only included the area of land proposed to accommodate the agricultural storage building, and has not assessed the area proposed to form the extended residential curtilage. I would advise that the BNG Report is revised to provide a more accurate baseline habitat assessment. The inclusion of the proposed new garden space may increase the habitat creation required to achieve at least a 10% gain in biodiversity.

In this location, the installation of new bird nesting and bat roosting boxes on the new building(s) would be a useful biodiversity enhancement.

Apart from the above query, I would raise no fundamental objections to the proposals on ecology grounds.

Yours

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