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High Peak Borough Council
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Municipal Buildings
Glossop
Derbyshire
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For the attention of James Stannard

Your Ref: DOC/2023/0026

Our ref: DWTHPK593-1

13th July 2023

Dear James,

Proposal: Discharge of conditions 6, 8 & 12 relating to DET/2021/0002

Location: Gow Hole Farm Gow Hole Furness Vale

Application Ref No: DOC/2023/0026

With reference to the above application, I am responding as the Biodiversity Planning Officer responsible for work relating to the Service Level Agreement, which the High Peak Borough Council and the Trust have signed. The following comments are aimed at providing accurate and up to date information on the nature conservation issues associated with the proposed development.

Response

Further to our previous response (letter dated and emailed 24th March 2021), a pre-dawn bat re-entry survey was undertaken on 12th May 2023. No bats were recorded entering the building during the survey; however, occasional foraging and commuting activity was recorded (Rachel



Hacking Ecology Ltd, 2023). Survey work is in line with Good Practice Guidelines (Collins, 2016) and no further surveys regarding bats are considered necessary in this instance.

We advise that **sufficient information** regarding bats has been submitted to enable the condition to be discharged.

It is hoped that the information provided is helpful to the Council. If you require any further information or wish to discuss any of the comments made, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Endnote:

Please see our planning pages <https://www.derbyshirewildlifetrust.org.uk/planning> for ecological advice on submitting a planning application, finding an ecological consultant and information on mitigation and enhancement.