

Biodiversity Checklist and Statement for Householder Applications

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The following assessment has been carried out on the above property to identify if the proposal may potentially have an adverse impact on designated sites, priority or other notable habitats or legally protected or notable species.

A separate Biodiversity Statement will accompany this assessment if answers to any of the questions have confirmed a potential risk demonstrating the following:

- Information about the site, species, habitats or features that could be affected (such as location, size, abundance, importance)
- Likely impacts of the development on habitats, sites or species identified in this Checklist
- How alternative designs and locations have been considered
- How adverse impacts will be avoided
- How any unavoidable impacts will be mitigated or reduced
- How impacts that cannot be avoided or mitigated will be compensated
- Any proposals for enhancements of biodiversity

SECTION 1 – Sites and Habitats

1.1	Is the application site on or within 50m of a SSSI, SAC, SPA or Ramsar site?		NO	
1.2	Are any of the following present on or within 50m of the application site? NB: If Yes, there may be a SINC (Site of Importance for Nature Conservation), Priority Habitat (natural or semi-natural habitats that have been identified as being at risk) or other important feature within or adjacent to the application			
a)	Broad-leaved woodland		NO	
b)	Veteran (particularly old / large) trees		NO	
c)	Water courses (rivers or streams)		NO	
d)	Lakes or ponds		NO	
e)	Wetlands or marshes		NO	
f)	Flower-rich meadow / grassland		NO	

g)	Water meadow		NO	
h)	Heathland		NO	
i)	Mature hedgerow		NO	

SECTION 2 - Species

2.1	Will the proposed works affect Existing buildings with ANY of the Following features?				
a)	<i>buildings with hanging tiles, timber cladding /weatherboarding where the building is within 200m of woodland or water</i>		NO		
b)	<i>pre-1960 buildings or structures within 200m of woodland and/or water</i>		NO		
c)	<i>pre-1914 buildings or structures within 400m of woodland and/or water</i>		NO		
d)	<i>pre-1914 buildings with gable ends, traditional clay tile roofs or slate roofs, hanging tiles or weatherboarding regardless of location</i>		NO		
e)	<i>structures where there is known current or historic bat use</i>		NO		

2.2	Will the proposal affect trees with ANY of the following features?				
a)	<i>Old and veteran trees</i>		NO		
b)	<i>Trees with obvious holes, cracks, Cavities aor heavy vegetation</i>		NO		
c)	<i>Trees with a circumference greater Than 1m at chest height</i>		NO		
2.3	Are there streams, rivers or lakes on or within 25m of the application site that would be affected (including their banks and adjacent habitat) by the development?		NO		
2.4	Will the proposals affect any of the Following features?				
a)	<i>Deciduous (i.e. not mainly conifer) Woodland?</i>		NO		

b)	<i>Field hedgerows over 1m tall and over 0.5m thick?</i>		NO		
c)	<i>Areas of scrub well-connected to woodland and/or hedgerows?</i>		NO		
2.5	Is the proposal within 200m of a pond, where the surface area of the pond, when water is at its highest level excluding flood events), is 25m ² (c.15m x 15m)?		NO		
2.6	Will the proposal affect mature/overgrown gardens over 0.25ha, or any rough grassland, derelict/brownfield land, railway land or allotments?		NO		
2.7	Will the proposal affect flower-rich meadows or grassland on or directly adjacent to the site?		NO		

SECTION 3 - Conclusion

RISK LEVEL

LOW

The Proposals have been assessed as having a LOW risk of impacting designated sites, priority or other notable habitats or legally protected or notable species.

FURTHER INFORMATION REQUIRED?

NO

We believe that a separate Biodiversity Statement is not required.

CONCLUSION

The above checklist confirms that the property is of low risk to protected or notable species or habitats. The proposed works to the above property are considered to be of minimal impact and therefore further specialised reports and surveys should not be required as part of the planning application process.

Should any suspected protected or notable species be encountered during the works in the absence of an Ecologist, all works will cease immediately, and advice will be sought from a suitably qualified professional.