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Sent: 26 July 2024 11:37
To: Planning (HPBC)
Subject: RE: External Consultation Letter - App ref HPK/2024/0190

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Dear James,

Thank you for consulting Derbyshire Wildlife Trust. We write to inform you that we are unable to review the application as **insufficient** information has currently been provided.

Biodiversity Net Gain

The following applies to applications submitted after 12th February 2024 (2nd April 2024 for small sites):

- Unless exempt, all applications must include an Excel copy of the Statutory Metric or Statutory Small Sites Metric, including baseline habitat data as a minimum, along with a habitat plan in line with government guidance:<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/biodiversity-net-gain-what-local-planning-authorities-should-do> Note: We cannot accept any other versions of the metric, or other methods of displaying the metric (e.g. screen capture images)

- If post- development data is included within the metric, **trading rules must be met** except in exceptional circumstances (see section 3 of User Guide)

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/65c60e0514b83c000ca715f3/The_Statutory_Biodiversity_Metric_-_User_Guide_.pdf In such cases, specific justification is required as to why Rule 4 has been applied. If the metric calculations predict less than 10% gain or unsatisfied trading rules, measures to address this should be explored by the applicant to provide the LPA with confidence that the required gains are achievable.

- The BNG hierarchy must be followed, with impacts to medium, high and very high distinctiveness habitats avoided in the first instance, then compensated for onsite where this is not possible. Offsite compensation should be considered once all onsite options have been explored, with statutory credits proposed as a last resort

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/biodiversity-net-gain>

Protected species information required

If a Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (PEA) or Ecological Impact Assessment (EclA) report has been submitted as part of the application, further survey recommendations must be adhered to. All necessary protected species surveys must be completed to determine presence / absence and likely impacts, in line with Paragraph 99 of Circular 06/2005.

Missing information for this application

See below to find which item/s are missing from the application:

- Excel copy of the Statutory Biodiversity Metric. We note that trading rules are currently not met (as in the BNG Assessment Report). The habitat loss must be addressed prior to determination.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you,

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