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Date: 29/10/2024

Dear Melissa,

APPLICATION: 24/02374/DOC
PROPOSAL: Details reserved by Condition 19 (Landscape and Ecology Management Plan) of planning permission reference 23/00750/FP granted on 27.09.2023.
ADDRESS: Land On The North Side Of York Way, Royston, Hertfordshire

ECOLOGICAL IMPLICATIONS

Overall Recommendation:

- ☒ Further information and/or amendments required before I advise that condition 19 can be discharged

Supporting documents:

I have made use of the following documents in providing this advice:

- Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (Ground Control, July 2024)

Comments:

Condition 19

Prior to the commencement of development, a Landscape and Ecological Management Plan should be prepared and submitted to the Local Planning Authority for approval, detailing how it is planned to incorporate biodiversity as part of the development. Thereafter, the works shall be carried out in accordance with the approved Biodiversity and Landscape Plan.

Reason: In order to secure a biodiversity gain.

A Landscape and Ecological Management Plan has been provided and the measures contained within are deemed acceptable in principle.

An annual work schedule has been provided – however to ensure long term biodiversity net gain details should be provided as to how this will be rolled forward i.e. details of both initial aftercare and long-term maintenance (typically the first 5-year period) and a timeframe for reviewing the plan should be included.

Ongoing monitoring and remedial measures should be detailed including measures to replace any of the trees or shrubs which fail.

Responsible persons should detail the body or organisation responsible for implementing the works and ongoing monitoring / maintenance.

Thank you for consulting this office on the above application.

I trust these comments are of assistance,

Regards,

Helen Saunders MCIEEM
Ecology Advisor, Hertfordshire LEADS

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