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Dear Melissa,

24/02439/DOC

Details reserved by Condition 5 (Landscape and Ecology Management Plan) of planning permission reference 23/00750/FP granted on 27.09.2023

Land On The North Side Of York Way Royston Hertfordshire

ECOLOGICAL IMPLICATIONS

Overall Recommendation

- ☒ Condition 5 can be discharged

Supporting documents

I have made particular if not exclusive use of the following documents in providing this advice:

- Landscape and Ecology Management Plan, Ground Control, December 2024
- Soft Landscape Proposals Plan Rev: B, Ground Control, 1 May 2024

Comments

Thank you for your letter of 29 October 2024 and subsequent email of 20 February 2025 which refer, and for consulting Herts LEADS (Ecology); I apologise for the delay with this reply.

I don't believe we made comment on the original application though we have made observations on similar cases nearby and on the closely related 24/02374/DOC relating to the similar Condition 19.

This application is accompanied by a Landscape and Ecology Management Plan (LEMP) which closely resembles those submitted in support of these other applications previously found acceptable. Given the circumstances of the setting of the proposed development, this one is no different **and I recommend the condition can be discharged.**

As an aside, so closely does the LEMP resemble other applications that the text refers to Condition 14 (and not Condition 5) suggesting it was in fact first submitted in support of 20/01017-FP across the road known as Land South of Durham Way.

Perhaps the applicant may wish to correct this error to avoid unnecessary confusion.

Yours sincerely,

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