

Officer Liz Anderson – Ecologist
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Ref: 26/01927/FP
Att: Henry Thomas

**Land West Of Park Farm, Park Farm Lane, Nuthampstead, Hertfordshire,
Erection of one self-build agricultural dwelling including provision of 3 parking spaces**

Consultee comments;

Thank you for consulting me on the above application. I have read through the submitted documents and welcome the provision of the July 2026 Preliminary Ecological Appraisal.

The application is not subject to mandatory Biodiversity Net Gain as it is a self-build scheme. I would have no ecological objection to the proposal but to ensure the scheme is delivered in accordance with North Herts Local Plan policy NE4, I suggest the following condition should you decide to grant planning permission;

No development shall take place until an Ecological Enhancement Plan (EEP) for the creation of new wildlife features such as the inclusion of integrated bird/bat and bee bricks has been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. Where height allows swift bricks should be used.

Reason: To ensure development secures biodiversity enhancements in accordance with Policy NE4 of the Local Plan.