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Att: Henry Thomas

Old Foxes, North End, Kelshall, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 9SE

Single storey detached self-build dwelling including ASHP, parking, cycle store and soft and hard landscaping.

Consultee comments;

Thank you for consulting me, having looked at the submitted documents I would have no ecological objection to the proposal.

The January 2026 Ecological Assessment did not find any evidence of protected species on site, nor does it foresee any ecological impact.

As this application is for a self-build property the statutory requirement for 10% BNG does not apply. Nevertheless, North Herts Local Plan policy NE4 advises development deliver net benefits for biodiversity. The inclusion of integrated features in the built fabric of dwellings such as bird and bat bricks should be considered. It is noted that these are indicated on the plans and this is welcomed.