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Management Plan (CEMP)**
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1 Introduction

1.1 Background and Permitted Development

- 1.1.1 Aspect Ecology is advising Letchworth Investment LLP in respect of land at Starwood House, Letchworth Garden City (see Plan 6948/CEMP1).
- 1.1.2 A planning application was submitted in April 2025 (Ref: 25/01196/FP), with full planning permission subsequently being granted for the development of the site to provide two commercial buildings with associated hardstanding and landscaping.
- 1.1.3 The planning permission is subject to a number of conditions, of which one requires the submission and approval of a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP).

1.2 Planning Condition

- 1.2.1 Planning Condition regarding the Construction Environmental Management Plan states:
- 1.2.2 *'No development shall take place (including ground works or vegetation clearance) until a construction environmental management plan (CEMP: Biodiversity) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The CEMP (Biodiversity) should be informed by the April 2025 Preliminary Ecological Appraisal and include the following.*
 - a) *Risk assessment of potentially damaging construction activities.*
 - b) *Identification of "biodiversity protection zones".*
 - c) *Practical measures to avoid or reduce impacts during construction.*
 - d) *The location and timing of sensitive works to harm to biodiversity features.*
 - e) *Use of protective fences, exclusion barriers and warning signs.*

The approved CEMP shall be adhered to and implemented throughout the construction period strictly in accordance with the approved details, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority. '

1.3 Purpose of the Report

- 1.3.1 This report has been informed by the Ecological Appraisal prepared by Aspect Ecology (Ref: 6948 EcoAp vf1b /JW/MRD, dated April 2025), which accompanied the original outline planning application, as well as an update site survey completed by Aspect Ecology in January 2025 which confirmed the site to remain largely as previously described.
- 1.3.2 The purpose of this report is to provide details relating to the required Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP), in order to address the stated requirement of planning for the full planning permission.
- 1.3.3 Information set out includes protection and mitigation strategies in respect of retained habitats and notable / protected faunal species, with associated responsibilities set out in order to fully safeguard these habitats and species during site clearance, ground works and the construction phase of the development, with reference to the previously submitted information and specific requirements set out in the planning condition where appropriate.

1.4 Aims and Objectives

1.4.1 The overarching aims and objectives of the measures set out in this document shall be to safeguard any protected or notable species, along with other wildlife or existing ecological receptors at the site during the vegetation clearance and construction processes. This will be achieved through:

- Implementing appropriate 'ecological protection zones' around any important retained habitat and faunal features;
- Implementing measures to safeguard and mitigate against any potential effects on retained habitats and protected species during the construction phase to minimise the risk of any potential offence;
- Retaining habitats offering wildlife value and protecting such habitats where appropriate.

1.4.2 The ecological features identified as requiring protection measures of relevance to the Phase 2 proposals include:

- Habitats – safeguards to prevent damage to retained hedgerows, trees and woodland (only as part of the wider permitted development, including Phase 1, particularly in relation to habitats located adjacent to/in proximity to Phase 2);
- Badger and other mammals (including Hedgehog *Erinaceus europaeus*) – construction safeguards;
- Breeding birds – sensitive timing of vegetation clearance / pre-commencement checks.

2 Risk Assessment of Potentially Damaging Construction Activities

2.1 Overview of Ecological Features

2.1.1 The survey work undertaken at the site to date has identified the presence of a number of ecological features requiring protection during construction, including:

- Badger/Other Small Mammals;
- Nesting Birds; and
- Retained Trees and Hedgerow.

2.2 Potentially Damaging Construction Activities

2.2.1 The consented development works will require a range of construction activities which, in the absence of appropriate safeguarding measures, have the potential to be ecologically damaging. Such potentially damaging activities include:

- Vegetation clearance works;
- Site levelling works; and
- Ongoing construction activities (including excavation and storage of materials).

2.2.2 As such, protection measures are to be implemented to fully safeguard these habitats and species / groups.

2.2.3 Prior to works commencing and throughout the duration of works, existing ecological features will be appropriately safeguarded, as set out in Section 3 below. The approach for the implementation of these measures will be flexible and responsive to progress and conditions on site during the works. The protection measures will be incorporated into construction risk registers and, as such, will be implemented as appropriate when particular activities are carried out. Aspect Ecology (or another suitably qualified ecological consultancy) will be retained as the Ecological Clerk of Works, and kept informed of progress during construction by the Site Manager, and provide advice or make recommendations for additional protection measures, if requested/required.

2.2.4 With the measures contained within this document implemented, it is anticipated that all ecological features will be fully safeguarded prior to and during construction.

2.2.5 On the basis of the above information, the habitats forming the majority of the site boundary are of negligible ecological value, with all existing hedgerows and treelines (representing habitats of raised ecological value) will remain protected, and unaffected. Accordingly, risk of damage or disturbance to habitats or features of ecological value within the site under the current works is limited to potential for damage to the retained boundary hedgerows and trees. Nonetheless, where relevant, proposed mitigation measures and safeguards will also be ensured throughout the current works (as detailed above), consistent with the in order to prevent any adverse effects on habitats of ecological value.

2.2.6 In terms of protected species, site clearance work and construction works have some (albeit very limited) potential to affect a number of species, including Badger, bats, other common

mammal species such as Hedgehog and breeding birds. Accordingly, in line with the previously submitted information, construction measures and safeguards are proposed in regard to each of these groups (as set out below), in order to ensure they are appropriately safeguarded.

3 Biodiversity Protection Zones

3.1 Overview

- 3.1.1 Provided below are details of the site-specific biodiversity safeguards required during site preparation and construction with respect to relevant habitats and species. The location of proposed protective fencing and biodiversity protection zones as discussed below is shown on Plan 6948/CEMP2.

3.2 Habitats

Trees and Hedgerows

- 3.2.1 The retained on-site boundary trees and hedgerows will be protected throughout the construction period by protective fencing. The protection fencing shall be erected prior to construction activities commencing, in accordance with arboricultural advice and the Arboricultural Report. The protection fencing will be to the standard stipulated under arboricultural best practice guidance British Standard 5837:2012.
- 3.2.2 Where hedgerow occurs between the proposals and retained trees, a reduced specification barrier is appropriate. This specification comprises heras panels, mounted on pinned feet, secured with a driven scaffold pole or 100x100mm timber post every second panel.
- 3.2.3 The site manager will be responsible for inspections of the protective barriers on a weekly basis, with a record kept by the site manager of fence inspections and any remedial action that has been taken to ensure fencing remains in place and functional to safeguard the woodland, trees and hedgerows.
- 3.2.4 In instances where it is necessary for specific works to be undertaken within the construction exclusion zones, such as the landscaping works, erection of scaffolding, installation of services and other relevant ancillary operations, these activities will be undertaken following the submission of method statements to be prior approved by the arboricultural consultant. Each method statement will include an agreed method of works, extent of direct supervision by the arboricultural consultant, and frequency of site visits to be made for the duration of the works.

4 Practical Measures to Avoid or Reduce Impacts During Construction

4.1 Fauna

Badger/Hedgehog (and other mammals)

Construction Safeguards

- 4.1.1 Badger receive legislative protection under the Protection of Badgers Act 1992, and as such should be assessed as an important ecological feature. The legislation aims to protect the species from persecution, rather than being a response to an unfavourable conservation status, as the species is in fact common over most of Britain. It is the duty of planning authorities to consider the conservation and welfare impacts of development upon Badger and issue permissions accordingly.
- 4.1.2 A number of other UK mammal species do not receive direct legislative protection relevant to development activities but may receive protection against acts of cruelty (e.g. under the Wild Mammals (Protection) Act 1996). In addition, a number of these mammal species are S41 Priority Species and should be assessed as important ecological features.
- 4.1.3 No evidence of Badger has been recorded at the site. Nonetheless a precautionary approach will be adopted in relation to this species as detailed below. As such, in order to ensure that Badgers and other small mammals are fully safeguarded, the following measures will be implemented during general construction activities;
- Any trenches or excavations within the site that are to be left open overnight will be provided with a means of escape should a Badger enter. This could simply be in the form of a gently graded ramp or roughened plank of wood placed in the trench as a ramp to the surface. This is particularly important if the trench fills with water;
 - Any temporarily exposed open pipes (>150mm outside diameter) should be blanked off at the end of each working day so as to prevent Badgers gaining access as may happen when contractors are off-site;
 - Any trenches/pits will be inspected each morning to ensure no Badgers have become trapped overnight. Should a Badger become trapped in a trench it will likely attempt to dig itself into the side of the trench, forming a temporary sett. Should a trapped Badger be encountered a suitably qualified ecologist will be contacted immediately for further advice;
 - The storage of topsoil or other 'soft' building materials in the site will be given careful consideration. Badgers will readily adopt such mounds as setts. So as to avoid the adoption of any mounds, these will be kept to a minimum and any essential mounds subject to daily inspections with consideration given to temporarily fencing any such mounds to exclude Badgers;
 - The storage of any chemicals at the site will be contained in such a way that they cannot be accessed or knocked over by any roaming Badgers;
 - Fires will be avoided where possible, and if necessary should only be lit in secure compounds and not allowed to remain lit during the night; any material to be disposed of by burning, particularly waste from vegetation clearance and tree works, should not be left piled on site for more than 24 hours in order to minimise

the risk of Hedgehogs occupying the pile. If this cannot be avoided, material should be stored within a container such as a skip to prevent animals from gaining access. Any material which has been stored on the ground overnight should be moved prior to burning to allow a thorough check for any animals which may have been occupying the pile;

- Unsecured food and litter will not be left within the working area overnight; and
- A watching brief should be maintained for Hedgehog and other small mammals throughout any clearance works.

Nesting Birds

4.1.4 All wild birds and their nests receive protection under Section 1 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) in respect of killing and injury, and their nests, whilst being built or in use, cannot be taken, damaged or destroyed. Species included on Schedule 1 of the Act receive greater protection and are subject to special penalties.

4.1.5 No clearance of suitable (woody) vegetation should therefore be undertaken during the bird-nesting season (**1st March to 31st August inclusive**). Vegetation clearance activities include any removals of trees and/or hedgerows. If this is not practicable, any potential nesting habitat to be removed should first be checked by the ECoW in order to determine the location of any active nests. Any active nests identified would then need to be cordoned off (minimum 5m buffer) and protected until the end of the nesting season or until the birds have fledged. These checking surveys would need to be carried out no more than two days in advance of vegetation clearance works.

4.1.6 A specific methodology for nesting bird safeguards is set out at Appendix 6948/1.

General Construction Measures

4.1.7 **Pollution Prevention Measures.** As detailed within the previously submitted Ecological Impact Assessment, standard best practice pollution prevention measures, waste management and environmental monitoring will be adopted and would include:

- All hydrocarbons, greases, hydraulic fluids or similar materials will be stored in a secure compound area;
- All plant machinery will be properly serviced and maintained, thereby reducing risk of spillage or leakage;
- All waste produced from construction will be collected in skips with the construction site kept tidy at all times;
- Any excavated soil in relation to the current phase will be stored within the site boundary or removed by a licensed waste disposal unit, and as such will remain removed from sensitive ecological receptors);
- All materials and substances used for construction in relation to the current phase will be stored in a secure compound and all chemicals will be stored in secure containers within the current site boundary to avoid potential contamination (and removed from sensitive ecological receptors);
- Location of spill kit to be known by all construction workers and implemented in the event of spillage or leakage;

- Skips will be used for site waste/debris at all times and collected regularly or when full;
- All hydrocarbons and fluids will be collected in leak-proof containers and removed from site for disposal or recycling;
- All waste from construction will be stored within the site confines and removed to a permitted waste facility;
- The contractor will nominate a member of staff as the environmental officer with the responsibility to ensure best practice measures are implemented and adhered to, with any incidents or non-compliance issues to be reported to project team.

4.1.8 **Fires.** Fires will only be lit in secure compounds and not allowed to remain lit during the night.

4.1.9 **Lighting.** Any temporary construction lighting will be directed away from the site boundaries (in particular the retained trees located east of the current site boundary) and measures put in place to ensure that lighting is turned off when construction activity is not in progress to prevent light spill and disturbance to the nocturnal/crepuscular faunal species (including in particular Badger and bats).

4.2 General Procedures and Measures

4.2.1 Provided below are more general measures relevant to overall ecological protection.

Access and Movement

4.2.2 The site will be accessed at designated access and egress points. These will be sited outside of any tree protection fencing and will minimise crossing areas of land which are not subject to the development proposals in order to avoid soil compaction and damage to retained vegetation.

Air Quality (dust prevention measures)

4.2.3 In order to safeguard the retained trees and hedgerows, dust control and abatement measures will be implemented during construction:

- Machinery, fuel and chemical storage and dust generating activities should not be located close to retained trees, hedgerows and watercourse;
- Should this not be possible then retained trees and hedgerows should be protected by the use of dust barriers / screens where practicable;
- Surfaces and dusty activities will be damped down as required by the use of agreed wet cleaning methods or mechanical road sweepers during periods of dry weather;
- All relevant loads entering and leaving the site should be covered; and
- Stockpiles of materials should exist for the shortest possible period of time and be kept away from retained trees and hedgerows.

Environmental Incidents and Accidents

4.2.4 A plan of action for all environmental incidences and emergencies will be prepared for the construction works, including procedures, contact numbers and a chain of command. Site

staff will be made aware of the procedures as part of the induction process and again with 'toolbox talks' as necessary before starting a new phase of work or process. Specific pollution prevention kits will be maintained on site, with site staff trained in how to operate such equipment.

- 4.2.5 All incidences and emergencies will be recorded. This information will be used to improve future environmental protection measures. In the event of an ecological incident or emergency Aspect Ecology should be contacted for further advice.

Training

- 4.2.6 Site staff will be given inductions before being allowed to work at the site. The inductions will include relevant environmental information such as the occurrence of and protection requirements for the ecological resources listed in Section 4 above.
- 4.2.7 If a suitably qualified ecologist is required on-site to supervise any ecologically sensitive works, the ecologist may choose to provide their own specific 'toolbox talk' prior to the commencement of the works.
- 4.2.8 The roles and responsibilities as detailed below will ensure that the above environmental control measures are implemented and adhered to.

4.3 Roles and Responsibilities

Responsible Persons

- 4.3.1 The Site Manager will act on behalf of the developer, with responsibility for managing the development within the agreed environmental constraints, in conjunction with all other necessary construction processes. The Site Manager will also be responsible for coordinating and managing all the environmental activities during the construction phase on a day-to-day basis. In addition, the Site Manager will provide a key point of contact for the Ecological Clerk of Works.
- 4.3.2 The duties of the Site Manager will include:
- Ensure ecological protection measures are implemented on site through direct liaison with the Project Manager and the Ecological Clerk of Works;
 - Supervise and co-ordinate the site workforce, including subcontractors, material suppliers and utility providers as necessary to ensure compliance with ecological protection measures; and
 - Report any ecological issues encountered during the construction process to the Project Manager and the Ecological Clerk of Works.

Ecological Clerk of Works (ECoW)

- 4.3.3 The Ecological Clerk of Works role will be provided by Aspect Ecology (or other suitably qualified ecological consultancy), and ECOW attendance will be provided when requested by the Site Manager. Where necessary and as requested by the Site Manager, the ECOW will oversee implementation of ecological safeguards and mitigation measures throughout the construction period. The ECOW will also provide feedback to the Project Manager and Site Manager to aid with the review of the CEMP and specialist procedures. Where relevant, contractors and sub-contractors on site will be made aware of ecological matters during the site inductions, with a 'sign in' sheet required to be completed to agree their understanding of the specific site requirements.

5 Timing of Works to Avoid Harm to Biodiversity Features

5.1 Timing of Works

- 5.1.1 A schedule of works has been produced, as detailed below, detailing the timing of sensitive works, the works that require a specialist ecologist present and the responsible persons.

Table 5.1. Timetable for Implementation

Activity	Trigger Point	Time Restrictions	Responsibility
Pre-commencement checks/safeguards			
Installation of protective fencing (where required/relevant in relation to the adjacent development phases)	Offsite fencing to be in place or adjacent development phases sufficiently progressed such that they maintain a continuous barrier to any potential damage or disturbance to offsite trees/hedgerows as a result of works within the current phase.	None	Site Manager (or appointed member of staff) to ensure any relevant fencing is in place before relevant works commence (in combination with the wider permitted development where appropriate)
Nesting bird checks prior to clearance of suitable vegetation.	Ecologist to carry out checking survey no more than three days before any vegetation clearance works commence (if required within the nesting season)	Only required if clearance is carried out during the breeding season (March and August inclusive)	Site Manager (or appointed member of staff) will inform Aspect Ecology / suitably qualified ecologist if / when checks are required. The ecologist will then carry out the check(s) as required.
Safeguards During Construction			
Site-wide construction safeguards	To be adhered to at all times	Ongoing throughout construction	All staff
Mammal safeguards	To be adhered to at all times	Ongoing throughout construction	All staff Site manager to appoint a member of staff to carry out daily checks on excavations/spoil piles, open pipes etc as appropriate
General Monitoring			
Ongoing monitoring, including compliance checks and keeping of formal record/log.	To be adhered to at all times.	Weekly checks during construction and immediately post-completion of construction works.	Site manager to appoint member of staff responsible.

6 Use of Protective Fences, Exclusion Barriers and Warning Signs

6.1 Protective Fences

Retained Hedgerows and Trees

- 6.1.1 All hedgerows and trees to be retained within the proposed development shall be protected through for example the use of suitable protective fencing during construction in line with standard arboriculturalist best practice (BS5837:2012) or as otherwise directed by a suitably competent arboriculturalist. The fencing must remain in place until construction works are completed, and no works are to be completed within fenced areas, an example of which can be found at Appendix 6948/2.

6.2 Warning Signs

- 6.2.1 Once installed, the protective fencing will be suitably signed with Warning Signs to notify all staff working on site of the importance of the protection zones and exclusion barriers with the aim of preventing encroachment or removal, an example of which can be found at Appendix 6948/2.

7 Summary and Conclusions

- 7.1 This report and accompanying plans set out a Construction Environmental Management Plan to ensure that best practice guidance is adhered to with regards to Ecology , in order to address the stated requirements of planning conditions for the site, Starwood House, Letchworth Garden City (Ref: 25/01196/FP).
- 7.2 The permitted development site is dominated by buildings and associated hardstanding areas (mostly car-parking), surrounded by areas of landscape planting beds, comprising ornamental planting and trees. A further area of open grassland has become established on formerly developed land to the east, which has become scrubbed over with time with native and non-native scrub. There is also a small pocket of mixed trees near the southern boundary of the site, comprising mature conifers and deciduous species. Where appropriate, suitable protection measures and safeguards are set out in this report in order to ensure any retained habitat features are sufficiently protected.
- 7.3 In terms of fauna, the vast majority of the site (dominated by the existing building and car parking) is unlikely to provide significant opportunities for protected or notable species, albeit the limited vegetation provides potential for nesting birds and small mammals.
- 7.4 Safeguarding measures include installation of protective fencing; maintenance of ecological protection zones; general construction safeguards; sensitive lighting; mitigation and safeguards to be implemented during construction in regard to faunal species (bats, nesting birds and mammals).
- 7.5 This CEMP provides an overview of the measures to be employed to ensure habitats of value and protected fauna are fully safeguarded throughout the construction phase.
- 7.6 It is considered that, subject to the implementation of the detailed measures set out, this report satisfies the stated requirements of the Construction Environmental Management Plan condition in respect of the permitted development (ref: 25/01196/FP), and subject to the implementation of the measures set out, the relevant requirements of this condition can be safely discharged.

Plan 6948/CEMP1:

Site Location



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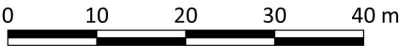
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Plan 6948/CEMP2:

Biodiversity Protection Zone and Ecological Protection Measures



- Key:
- Site Boundary
 - Biodiversity Protection Zones**
 - Vegetation subject to suitable protection measures
 - Vegetation to be removed
 - Ecological Protection Measures**
 - Line of arboricultural protective fencing in line with BS5837 (refer to Arboricultural information: Aspect Arboriculture)
 - Tree protection barrier – Secondary Specification (refer to Arboricultural information: Aspect Arboriculture)



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Appendix 6948/1:

Nesting Bird Safeguards

Ecological Method Statement

Clearance of vegetation within the nesting bird season

1 Legislation

- 1.1 All wild birds and their nests receive protection under Section 1 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) in respect of killing and injury, and their nests, whilst being built or in use, cannot be taken, damaged or destroyed. Species listed in Schedule 1 of the Act receive greater protection and are subject to special penalties.

2 Method Statement for Vegetation Clearance in Respect of Nesting Birds

- 2.1 To avoid any potential offence under the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended), any clearance of woody vegetation (including Bramble scrub) or tree surgery should be undertaken outside of the bird-nesting season (generally taken to be March to August inclusive).

- 2.2 If this is not practicable, any vegetation to be removed should first be checked by a suitably qualified ecologist in order to determine the location of any nests prior to removal. Depending on the nature of the vegetation as determined by the suitably qualified ecologist, this may need to include a check survey undertaken immediately following dawn, with a surveyor typically viewing the vegetation over the course of 30 to 60 minutes¹. In determining the breeding status of birds present within suitable areas of vegetation, the suitably qualified ecologist will apply the following criteria, based on the 'Atlas' surveys of 1988-1991 (Gibbons et al, 1993). This accepts the following activities as denoting breeding:

- Adult visiting probable nest site;
- Nest-building (including excavating nest-hole);
- Distraction display or feigning injury;
- Adult carrying faecal sac or food;
- Adult entering or leaving the nest site in circumstances indicating occupied nest;
- Nest with eggs found, or bird sitting but not disturbed, or eggshells found near nest;
- Nest with young; or downy young of ducks, game-birds, waders and other nidifugous species.

- 2.3 Where a suitably qualified ecologist concludes that no nesting birds are present within the site, clearance work should be completed within 3 days of the completion of the nesting bird survey. By undertaking vegetation clearance works within 3 days of the completion of a check survey, the risk of birds creating nests prior to clearance works commencing is minimised.

- 2.4 In the event that any nests, or birds exhibiting any of the above nesting behaviour, be identified as part of this check survey, any such nests will be cordoned off and protected until the end of the nesting season or until the birds have fledged. This cordon will provide a buffer zone

¹ Buisson, R. S. K., Wade, P. M., Cathcart, R. L., Hemmings, S. M., Manning, C. J. & Mayer, L. (2008). *The Drainage Channel Biodiversity Manual: Integrating Wildlife and Flood Risk Management*. Association of Drainage Authorities and Natural England, Peterborough.

extending to at least 5m around the nest, in order to prevent on going site works disturbing the nesting birds.

- 2.5 Site staff will be notified of the presence of birds' nests within the vegetation, and the site manager given a tool box talk to ensure that site staff explicitly understand that no further site works can be undertaken within the cordoned off area until all nesting behaviour is complete. The completion of nesting behaviour will only be confirmed through undertaking further nesting bird survey(s); only when a suitably qualified ecologist has confirmed that nesting birds are no longer present within the area of vegetation in question may clearance works proceed within the previously cordoned off area during the nesting period.
- 2.6 It should be noted that nesting birds receive protection all year round should they be nesting, albeit the likelihood of birds nesting outside of the nesting season is sufficiently low that clearance works are unlikely to encounter nests, and need not employ formal checks. Nonetheless, site staff should maintain a watching brief at all times of the year and should any nesting birds be encountered at other times of the year, works should immediately cease and a suitably qualified ecologist contacted for further advice.

METHOD STATEMENT SUMMARY

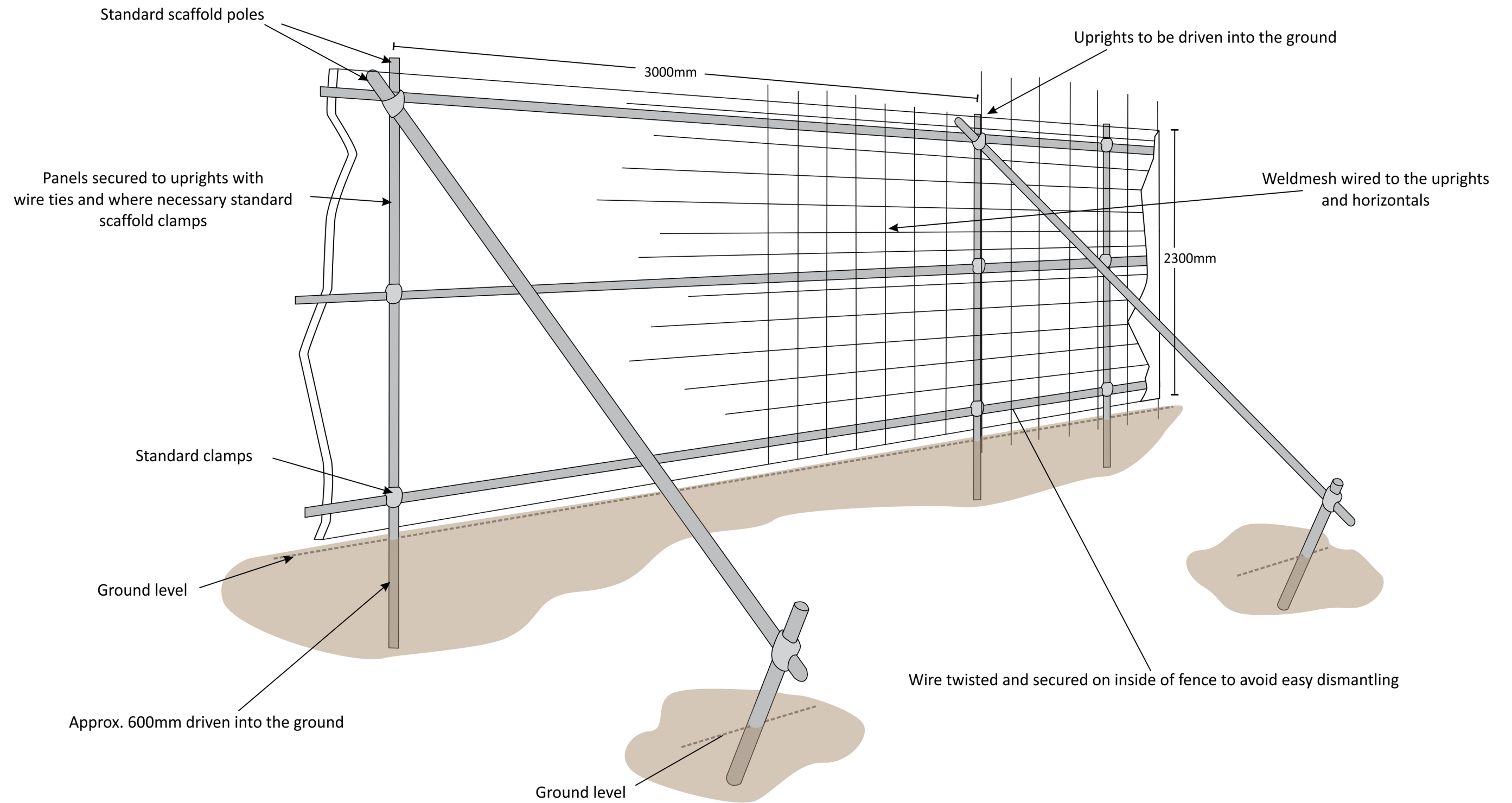
Timings: Any clearance of woody vegetation or tree surgery should ideally be undertaken outside of the bird-nesting season (i.e. outside of March to August inclusive), under a watching brief.

Nesting Bird Safeguards: Should vegetation clearance work be required between March and August (inclusive) then the following formal safeguards need to be employed;

- Any vegetation to be removed should first be checked by a suitably qualified ecologist in order to determine the location of any nests prior to removal;
- Where a suitably qualified ecologist concludes that no nesting birds are present within suitable areas of vegetation, clearance work should be completed within 3 days of the completion of the nesting bird survey;
- In the event that any nests are identified as part of this check survey, any such nests will be cordoned off and protected until the end of the nesting season or until the birds have fledged (as confirmed by a suitably qualified ecologist).

Appendix 6948/2:

Example Fencing and Warning Sign Provision





WILDLIFE PROTECTION ZONE

**NO WORKS ARE PERMITTED WITHIN THIS
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