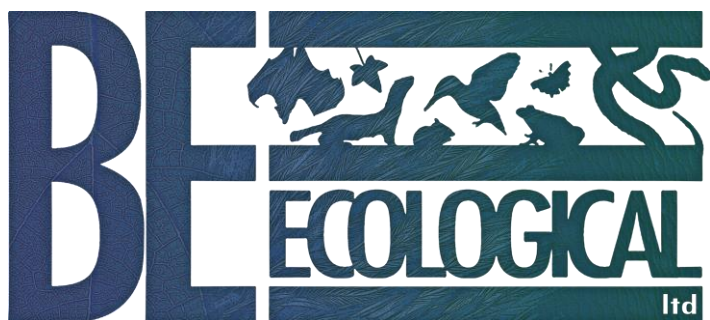




Technical Note

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Dear Matthew Davies,

We are writing to you with regards to your request for a letter regarding a brief walk over, compensation measures and enhancements at the above site.

The habitat present is comprised of amenity grassland with an extremely short sward, hard standing and a non-native hedge that is well trimmed and managed.

The area subject of the development is extremely small. The buildings will be sited on amenity grassland that is regularly mown, the second on hard standing. A small amount of the non-native managed hedgerow will need to be removed in order to facilitate the development.

The site is unlikely to support reptiles due to its managed nature.

It is always possible that a bird will nest within the hedge, hedgerow removal will be undertaken outside of the breeding bird season (march to September) unless it has been checked by a suitably qualified ecologist.

Invertebrates will use the site, however, this is likely to be limited to common and widespread species only due to the sites' managed nature and the species being affected.

There is no vegetation on the site that is suitable for roosting bats. There is a timber garden shed which will be removed to facilitate the development, however, this is completely sealed and not suitable for roosting bats. Bats will be able to continue foraging over the site on completion of the development.

No other evidence or potential for any other protected species was found on site

Due to the limited number of habitats to be affected and the managed nature of the site, it is considered unlikely that there will be any impact on protected species

All external lighting will face downwards and be set on timers to ensure that bats can use the area should they wish. In addition to this, any onsite lighting will conform to the following guidelines:

<https://theilp.org.uk/publication/guidance-note-8-bats-and-artificial-lighting/>

Compensation/Enhancements

Bats

A Schwegler 1FF bat box will be attached to the eastern elevation of the bowls club. Should the 1FF prove difficult to source, an eco bat box (crevice box) <https://www.nhbs.com/title?slug=eco-bat-box> will be installed in its place. The bat box will not be illuminated and the eastern boundary of the site will remain unlit to allow bats to make use of the bat box undisturbed.

Birds

A Schwegler 1SP Sparrow Terrace or the following <https://www.nhbs.com/sparrow-terrace-nest-box> will be attached to the eastern elevation of the property.

Invertebrate

An insect tower will be stationed within the grounds of the site. .

[https://www.nhbs.com/4?slug=insect-boxes&q=&fR\[hide\]\[0\]=false&fR\[live\]\[0\]=true&fR\[shops.id\]\[0\]=4&fR\[subsidaries\]\[0\]=1&fR\[subjects_equipment.lv1\]\[0\]=Other%20Nest%20Boxes%2C%20Habitats%20%26%20Feeders%20%3E%20Insect%20Boxes&qtview=200553](https://www.nhbs.com/4?slug=insect-boxes&q=&fR[hide][0]=false&fR[live][0]=true&fR[shops.id][0]=4&fR[subsidaries][0]=1&fR[subjects_equipment.lv1][0]=Other%20Nest%20Boxes%2C%20Habitats%20%26%20Feeders%20%3E%20Insect%20Boxes&qtview=200553)

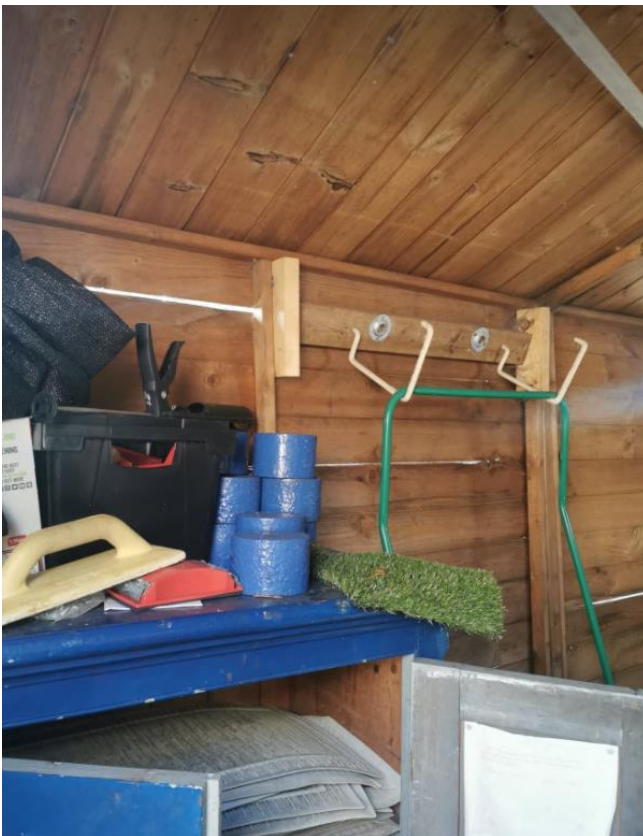
Plate 1- Shed to be removed to facilitate development

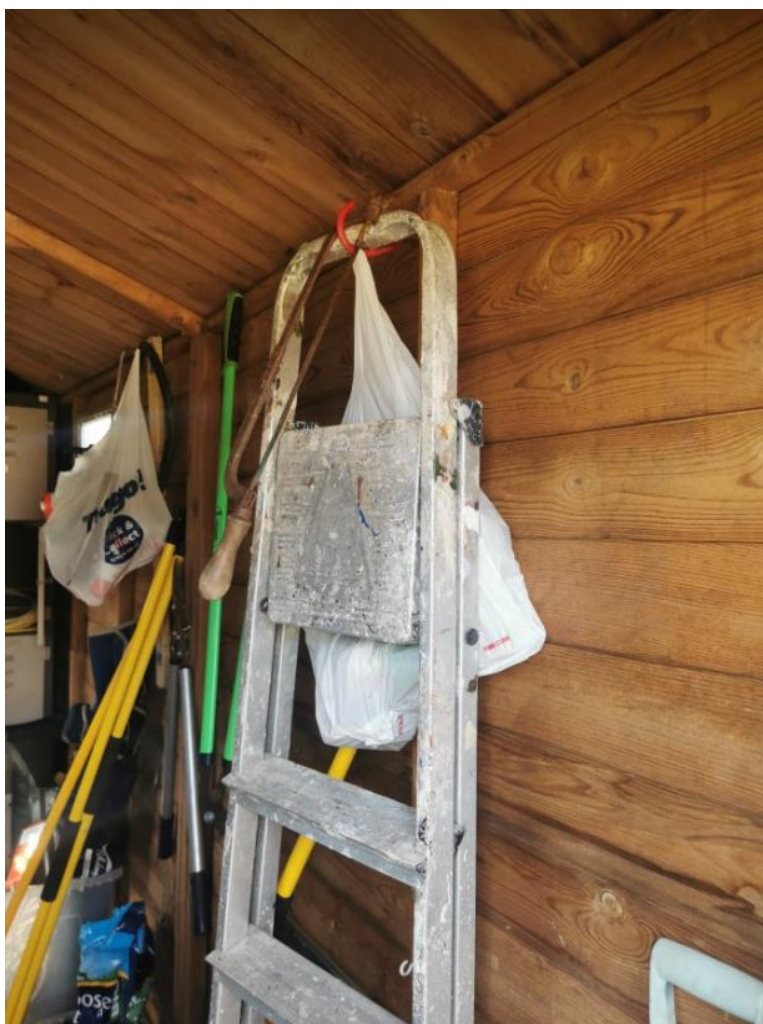


Plate 2- Area for proposed changing rooms



Plate 3- shed interior





If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you,

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