

Consultation Response: Kirklees Council Conservation & Design (Biodiversity)

<i>Is this a response to an informal consultation request?</i> Yes ☐ No ☒	
Date	14/06/2017
Officer responding	Tom Stephenson
Application number	2016/93243
Purpose	Review of submitted ecological information, pre-determination
Location	Thirstin Mills, Thirstin Road, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6JG

Assessment and Recommendation

Having reviewed the submitted landscape proposals in relation to my earlier comments, I am satisfied that, subject to minor amendment, the proposed landscaping will provided a significant ecological enhancement consistent with the requirements of chapter 11 of the NPPF.

In relation to proposed species, seed mixes and tree species appear appropriate for the site. However, Virginia creeper (*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*) is an invasive non-native species listed on Schedule 9 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) (see: <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1981/69/schedule/9>) and should be removed from the proposals.

Assuming the above alteration is made, I have no objection to the proposals and recommend a condition to secure implementation of the landscape proposals and their maintenance for at least 5 years.

Suggested Condition(s)

Please contact me to discuss suitable conditions.

References

There are no sources in the current document.