

Consultation Response (Biodiversity)

Kirklees Council Conservation and Design Team, Biodiversity Officer

<i>Major scheme consultation response</i>		For office use
Date of response	<i>06/12/2018</i>	<i>Is this a response to an informal consultation request?</i> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Location	<i>land at, former St Luke's Hospital, Blackmoorfoot Road, Crosland Moor, Huddersfield, HD4 5RQ</i>	
Application number	<i>2018_93201</i>	
Responding officer	<i>Tom Stephenson</i>	

Assessment and Advice

I note that this is a reserved matters application that includes landscaping and layout. As the outline permission requires details of landscaping to be submitted as part of the reserved matters application (condition 17) I will need to see this information to comment fully on the proposals. In principle, however, I am satisfied that the majority of biodiversity enhancement measures are concentrated at the periphery of the site. This should be reflected in the landscape planting and locations of bat and bird boxes, which are also required by condition (condition 18).

I note that information on lighting design has been submitted. I will review this information in conjunction with the landscaping design, as both elements may influence the way species use the post development site.

Ecological connectivity should be a key design consideration for landscaping and lighting designs, and the position of habitat boxes.

These comments are also relevant to application 2018/93200.

References