Consultation Response from KC, Ecology Unit
2023/91179 Land adjacent to, 137, Meltham Road, Lockwood, Huddersfield, HD4 7BG
Outline application for erection of one dwelling
Date Responded: 29/08/2023 **Responding Officer: Gareth Hey** **Responding Ref:**

Following on from my previous comments, additional information has been provided with the application, detailing the current habitats present at the site. This information, coupled with site visits undertaken by KC Ecology determined that the site is of minimal ecological value, and that the proposed scheme will have minimal ecological impacts.

I have no objection to this scheme, however, the following condition is recommended in order to ensure that the development is able to comply with national and local planning policies pertinent to biodiversity.

1. Prior to the commencement of development, a Plan shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority of: integral bat roosting and bird nesting features (for species such as House Sparrow and Swift) within the proposed building. The agreed Plan shall show the number, specification of the bird nesting and bat roosting features and where they will be located, together with a timetable for implementation and commitment to being installed under the instruction of an appropriately qualified bat consultant. All approved features shall be installed prior to first occupation of the dwelling on which they are located and retained thereafter.

   Reason. To maintain and enhance biodiversity in accordance with Local Plan Policy LP30, NPPF, and BS 42020:2013