

**Consultation Response from KC,
Ecology Unit**

2023/91477 75, Birkby Lodge Road, Birkby, Huddersfield, HD2 2BL

Listed Building Consent for demolition of existing side extension and erection of replacement single storey side and rear extensions with associated alterations of grade II listed building (within a Conservation Area)

Date Responded: 16/06/2023

Responding Officer: Gareth Hey

Responding Ref:

Assessment

A bat survey report has been submitted with the application, which is welcomed. The report details that the site is considered to have a Negligible Potential to Support Bats and no further surveys are recommended. Given the above, I have no objections to this planning application.

However, in line with the recommendations of the submitted report, in order to provide a biodiversity net gain at the site in line with national and local planning policy, an integrated bat box should be installed within the cavity wall on the south elevation of the extension. This recommendation can be secured through an appropriately worded planning condition, as detailed below.

Suggested Condition

1. Prior to the commencement of the development, a plan detailing the positioning, location and specification of a bat box (Schwegler 3FE Bat Box or similar) shall be submitted to and approved in writing to the local authority.

Reason: to provide an enhancement to biodiversity in line with LP30 and the requirements of section 15 of the National Planning Policy Framework.