

**Consultation Response from KC,
Ecology Unit**

2023/93782 14, Firth Street, Huddersfield, HD1 3BA

Erection of extensions and alterations to form 16 student apartments

Date Responded: 26/06/2024

Responding Officer: Gareth Hey

Responding Ref:

Following on from my previous comments, a bat emergence survey has been undertaken at the site and a report submitted. The survey demonstrated the likely absence of roosting bats within the surveyed building and as such, the proposed works present little risk of impacting upon bats or their roosts.

Overall, I have no objection to this scheme, subject to the following condition:

1. Prior to the commencement of the development, a plan detailing the positioning, location and specification of two integral bat boxes (PRO UK Build-in WoodStone Bat Boxes, Vivara Pro Build-in Woodstone Bat Tubes, or suitable alternative) shall be submitted to and approved in writing to the local authority. The boxes shall be installed and retained as detailed in the approved plans.

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