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Subject: RE: 2024/90839 - Rose And Crown Inn, 132, Knowl Road, Golcar, Landscape Response NN18

Please accept this email as my formal response.

Following on from my previous comments, an updated bat survey report has been submitted with the application, with details of the single emergence survey provided, in line with current bat survey guidelines, The report details that roosting bats are likely absent from the building and as such, the development can proceed with minimal impacts to roosting bats.

As such, I have no objection to the above, subject to the following conditions.

1. Prior to the commencement of the development, a plan detailing the positioning, location and specification of three bird boxes (WoodStone Starling Nest Box, Vivara Pro Seville 28mm WoodStone Nest Box and Vivara Pro Barcelona WoodStone Open Nest Box), or similar), five bat boxes (PRO UK Build-in WoodStone Bat Boxes, Vivara Pro Build-in Woodstone Bat Tubes, or suitable alternative) and seven bee bricks (one on each dwelling) shall be submitted to and approved in writing to the local authority. The boxes and bricks 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.

2. In order to avoid impacts to nesting birds, vegetation clearance works should be undertaken outside the period 1st March to 31st August. If this timeframe cannot be avoided, a close inspection of the vegetation should be undertaken immediately, by qualified ecologist, prior to the commencement of work. All active nests will need to be retained until the young have fledged.

   Reason. To protect nesting and breeding birds during construction by avoiding direct impacts to protected species, and to accord with Kirklees Local Plan Policy LP30.

Best wishes
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