

From: ENVU Biodiversity and Land Use
Sent: 18 March 2025 11:28
To: Planning ContactCentre
Cc: Joanna Rednall
Subject: 2024/93420 at location adj, 330a, Leymoor Road, Golcar, Huddersfield, HD7 4QL

Hi There,

Please see below some comments with regards to this application.
Further considerations and suggested conditions can be provided once all queries are resolved.

Preliminary Ecological Appraisal

None has been provided.

- There is SAC, SPA, and SSSI (and the site is within an Impact Risk Zone) to the West, and a LNR to the East.
- EPS bat licence records have also returned. Records surround the site.
- Priority Habitats for grassland, healthland, wetland and woodland have also been noted surrounding, or adjacent to the site.
- The site itself looks to have good habitat corridors and so should be resolved further.

Further information is required prior to decision. Several records for protected and priority species and habitats are present within 1km of the site. A Preliminary Ecological Appraisal is therefore required prior to decision to assess the site habitats, the likely presence of protected and/or priority species, and the value of site habitats to protected and/or priority species.
It is appreciated that other applications have occurred on this site, but the PEA must be relevant to this time and this application.

Biodiversity net gain

The BNG reports that a net loss will occur on the site after works. As a result, we cannot accept this.

A gain plan for this application must present a viable proposal for achieving net gain. As this may involve more on-site land than currently allocated within the red line, it is recommended that the proposal is reconsidered prior to determination of the application. This is to ensure the development delivers a biodiversity net gain on site in accordance with Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Many thanks,

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Kind regards

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