

Planning ContactCentre

From: ENVU Biodiversity and Land Use
Sent: 14 April 2025 15:49
To: Planning ContactCentre
Cc: Emma Thompson
Subject: 2025/90707 at location Fenay Bridge Nurseries, Brewery Yard, Fenay Bridge, Huddersfield, HD8 0AR

I understand that this is a review of reserved matters in outline permission 2020/91155.
Please see commentary below:

BNG

The Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment (21st Feb 2025), and accompanying metric are reasonable and acceptable.

The report and metric confirm an on-site significant net gain (>0.5 biodiversity units) of 1.19 habitat units, and 0.01 hedgerow units. The following below is recommended:

A Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan (the HMMP), prepared in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Gain Plan and including:

- *a non-technical summary;*
- *the roles and responsibilities of the people or organisation(s) delivering the HMMP;*
- *the planned habitat creation and enhancement works to create or improve habitat to achieve the biodiversity net gain in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Gain Plan;*
- *the management measures to maintain habitat in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Gain Plan for a period of 30 years from the completion of development; and*
- *the monitoring methodology and frequency in respect of the created or enhanced habitat to be submitted to the local planning authority, has been submitted to, and approved in writing by, the local planning authority.*
- *Notice in writing shall be given to the Council when the:*
 - *HMMP has been implemented; and*
 - *habitat creation and enhancement works as set out in the HMMP have been completed.*
- *Within 6 months of the development being in use:*
 - *the habitat creation and enhancement works set out in the approved HMMP have been completed; and*
 - *a completion report, evidencing the completed habitat enhancements, has been submitted to, and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority.*
 - *The created and/or enhanced habitat specified in the approved HMMP shall be managed and maintained in accordance with the approved HMMP.*
 - *Monitoring reports shall be submitted to local planning authority in writing in accordance with the methodology and frequency specified in the approved HMMP.*

Reason: To ensure the development delivers a biodiversity net gain on site in accordance with Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

Ecological Design Strategy

The document dated March 2025 is not acceptable at this time:

- It does not reference the updated BNG report, as reference above.
- As a HMMP does not exist, it is not in line with one specifically made for the site.

- It is not a suitable standalone document that includes site assessment commentary, post development (mitigation, compensation, enhancements) measures, monitoring and evaluation, appropriate and species landscaping schedule and drawings, habitat creations and restoration, and mention of any habitat boxes.

Hope this helps.

Many thanks,

Katie

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