

**Consultation Response from KC,  
Ecology Unit**

**2026/91468 Land Adj, 18, Broadacres, Honley, Holmfirth, HD9 6ND**

**Erection of one dwelling and associated works**

**Date Responded: 24/06/2026**

**Responding Officer: Z. Hanshaw**

**Responding Ref: 2606/68**

Good afternoon,

I have reviewed the information submitted with this application and I note that no ecological information has been provided. However, from a desk based assessment, it is considered that there is a low likelihood of the site having ecological significance. There are no Priority Habitats identified within 500m of the site, the proposed development is small scale, and there is unlikely to be any protected species present onsite. I would recommend that good practise mitigation, for species such as hedgehogs, and breeding birds, is include in a Construction Environmental Management Plan: Biodiversity and secured as a condition of any consent.

### **Recommended conditions**

#### **Lighting strategy**

No works are to commence unless a detailed lighting scheme, developed in accordance with established guidance (e.g. Bat Conservation Trust and Institute of Lighting Professionals (2023) Bats and Artificial Lighting at Night), has been drafted and agreed with the council. The Sensitive Lighting Strategy will demonstrate that the proposed lighting will not impact upon ecological networks and/or sensitive features. Thereafter the agreed lighting scheme shall be implemented, subject to any variations approved in writing by the planning authority. All external lighting shall be installed strictly in accordance with the specifications and locations set out within the Lighting Strategy.

***Reason: In the interests of biodiversity and in accordance with Policy LP30 and NPPF15***

#### **Construction Environmental Management Plan for Biodiversity**

No works shall take place until a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP: Biodiversity) has been submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The CEMP (Biodiversity) shall include the following:

- a) Summary of potentially damaging activities
- b) Identification of "biodiversity protection zones"
- c) Practical measures (both physical measures and sensitive working practices) to avoid or reduce impacts during construction (these may be provided as a set of method statements)
- d) The location and timing of sensitive works to avoid harm to biodiversity features.
- e) The times during construction when specialist ecologists need to be present on site to oversee works.
- f) Responsible persons and lines of communication.
- g) The role and responsibilities on site of an ecological clerk of works (ECoW) or similarly competent person.
- h) Use of protective fences, exclusion barriers and warning signs.

The approved CEMP: Biodiversity shall be adhered to and implemented throughout the construction period strictly in accordance with the approved details, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the local planning authority.

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