

**Consultation Response from KC,
Ecology Unit**

**2026/91666 Thongsbridge Cricket Club, Miry Lane, Thongsbridge, Holmfirth, HD9 7RY
Erection of extension to existing clubhouse and associated alterations**

**Date Responded: 06/07/2026
Responding Officer: Z. Hanshaw
Responding Ref:2607/04**

Good afternoon,

I have reviewed the information submitted with this application and I am satisfied with the information contained within. The Biodiversity Net Gain Exemption Statement (HDP, June 2026) identifies that the footprint of the development is solely within an existing area of hard standing, and no vegetation will be lost as part of the proposals. The photos included in this report show only hard standing and modern buildings with extensive glazing, that will be impacted by the development.

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