Consultation Response from KC, Ecology Unit
2026/92751 Former Birkdale High School, Wheelwright Drive, Dewsbury, WF13 4JB
Prior notification for demolition of former school buildings
Date Responded: 07/10/2026 **Responding Officer: Z. Hanshaw** **Responding Ref: 2610/19**

I have reviewed the information submitted with this application. No ecological information has been submitted.

The site is within the Bat Alert Zone and there is a record of bats roosting within the school building, and another within 100m of the site. There is also a Great Crested Newt record within 200m of the site and Priority Habitat- Deciduous Woodland. Further ecological information should therefore be provided, to detail how protected and priority species will be impacted by the demolition, as well as provide detail mitigation measures for these. It is expected that a licence will be required from Natural England, if the demolition will impact on roosting bats.