



ECOLOGICAL ADVICE SERVICE

TO: *Rebecca Harrison*

FROM: *Hannah Simmons*

DATE: *13 August 2026*

SUBJECT: *Former St Josephs Convent Preparatory School, Gravesend\ 20260538*

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SUMMARY - NO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED

We have reviewed the submitted documents in relation to the variation/amendment of condition 2 and advise that there are likely to be no significant ecological impacts.

No ecological mitigation was agreed as part of the original application but the landscaping and ecological management plan (LEMP) of Condition 12 and Condition 16 has been submitted. Although the LEMP is based off the previous plans, we are satisfied that there will be no changes to the location of the biodiversity enhancements and landscaping and therefore, the current LEMP submitted is sufficient for the condition.

Therefore, we are satisfied that the changes to the layout, appearance and size of the dwellings will not result in the loss of any ecological mitigation and advise that the LEMP currently submitted for Conditions 12 and 16 does not need to be updated.

Hannah Simmons
Biodiversity Officer

This response was submitted following consideration of the following documents:

- Landscaping and Ecological Management Plan (LEMP) of Condition 12 and Condition 16 (Planning reference 20260449). Arbtech. 7 April 2026
- Proposed Site Plan – Landscape. Holloway. 17 April 2026