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Dear Planning Team,

Site: Land At New Green Farm, Lower Road, Shorne, Gravesend, Kent.

Planning Reference: 20240812

I write to seek the discharge of Conditions 3, 7 and 8 attached to the above planning permission, which requires the submission and approval of a Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan (HMMP) prepared in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Gain Plan.

In support of this application, the following ecology documents prepared by suitably qualified ecological consultants are enclosed:

- Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan (HMMP)
- Biodiversity Enhancement Letter

The submitted HMMP and Biodiversity Enhancement Letter has been prepared in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Gain Plan and addresses all requirements of Conditions 3, 7 and 8:

“3. The development shall not commence until a Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan (HMMP), prepared in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Gain Plan has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. This strategy shall include the following components:

- (a) a non-technical summary;*
- (b) the roles and responsibilities of the people or organisation(s) delivering the HMMP;*
- (c) 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;*
- (d) the management strategy and measures to maintain the habitat in accordance with the approved Biodiversity Gain Plan for a period of 30 years from the completion of development; and*
- (e) Details of the monitoring methodology (including frequency of submitting reports to the Local Planning Authority) in respect to the created or enhanced habitat; and*

The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

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.

7. The development hereby permitted shall be carried out at all times in accordance with the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (Greenspace Ecological Solutions; January 2025), and particularly the precautionary mitigation for badgers, breeding birds and bats set out within Section 6 must be implemented as detailed.

Reason: In the interests of ecological mitigation, and in accordance with Policy CS12 of the Gravesham Local Plan Core Strategy 2014.

8. Prior to the commencement of any above ground works, an ecological enhancement plan shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The plan must demonstrate how the site will enhance biodiversity through the inclusion of ecological enhancement features within the buildings and site. The development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved plan.

Reason: In the interests of ecology, and in accordance with the provisions set out under Policy CS12 of the Gravesham Local Plan Core Strategy 2014."

It is considered that the submitted information fully satisfies the requirements of Conditions 3, 7 and 8. We therefore respectfully request that Gravesham Borough Council confirms the discharge of these conditions at its earliest convenience.

Should you require any further information or clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,



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