From: Preece, Mark
Sent: 26 September 2017 16:40
To: Planning Comments (SMDC)
Subject: SMD/2017/0583

Categories: Blue Category

Hi,

Please find below comments in relation to :

Application SMD/2017/0583 , Haig Road, Leek, Staffordshire, ST13 6BZ Two storey side extension, bedroom over garage

Informative

The applicant is reminded that all bats and breeding birds are protected from killing or injury under the terms of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 as amended .
Bats are also protected from killing, injury, disturbance at roost sites, or destuction of their roosts under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010.
Failure to conduct appropriate surveys in advance of works that may lead to a breach of this legislation and prosecution.
The applicant is advised to obtain an appropriate surveys in advance of carrying out any works.

Bat surveys should follow best practice guidance in the Collins, J. (ed) (2016) Bat Surveys for Professional Ecologists : Good Practice Guidelines (3rd edn). The Bat conservation Trust. Surveys must be carried out by a competent ecologist licensed by Natural England to carry out surveys. Details of suitable ecologists are available on the CIEEM website: http://www.cieem.net/members-directory. The applicant should observe all method statements and advice provided in these surveys to avoid impacts on protected species . If bats are located during surveys the applicant may be required to apply to Natural England for alicence to enable the development to proceed without an offence being committed.

Policy justification

Policy NE1 of the adopted Local Development Framework for the Staffordshire Moorlands advocates the protection and enhancement of biodiversity.
Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 - all bats and sites used for resting/ breeding are afforded protection from disturbance and destruction.
The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 protects all breeding birds (with a few exceptions) and bats from injury or killing.

Regards

Mark

Mark Preece
Client Officer (Country Parks/ Ecology Advice)
Operational Services

Staffordshire Moorlands District Council **High Peak Borough Council**

Stockwell Street
Leek
Staffordshire
ST137HU

Market Place
Buxton
Derbyshire
SK176EL

Telephone: 0345 605 3010 ext 4512
Mobile: 07872419113
Email: mark.preece@staffsmoorlands.gov.uk
Web sites: www.staffsmoorlands.gov.uk www.highpeak.gov.uk

Do you really need to print out this Email? Be green - keep it on the screen.

This transmission is intended for the named addressee(s) only and may contain sensitive, privileged or confidential material and should be handled accordingly. Unless you are the named addressee (or authorised to receive it for the addressee) you may not copy or use it, or disclose it to anyone else. If you have received this transmission in error please notify the sender immediately. All GCSX traffic may be subject to recording and/or monitoring in accordance with relevant legislation.

If this has come to you in error, please notify the sender immediately and delete this email from your system. The Council may be required to disclose this email or any response to it under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Do you really need to print out this Email? Be green - keep it on the screen.

This transmission is intended for the named addressee(s) only and may contain sensitive, privileged or confidential material and should be handled accordingly. Unless you are the named addressee (or authorised to receive it for the addressee) you may not copy or use it, or disclose it to anyone else. If you have received this transmission in error please notify the sender immediately. All GCSX traffic may be subject to recording and/or monitoring in accordance with relevant legislation.

If this has come to you in error, please notify the sender immediately and delete this email from your system. The Council may be required to disclose this email or any response to it under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.