

Bird Boxes and Barn Owl Nesting Box

Barn Owl Nesting Box



1 No. barn owl nesting box will be installed in the building high up in the eaves on the south east side elevation.

The box will be of similar design to the photograph above.

This box will be installed with the help and advice of the Staffordshire Barn Owl Action Group, who will insist in its installation, monitoring and maintenance at the appropriate times of year.

Approximate dimensions for this box will be 50cm wide x 40cm deep x 60cm high with an edged exercise platform as shown.

Sparrow Terrace Style Nest Boxes



2 No. terrace style boxes similar to the photograph above will be installed on the north west elevation of the building as near to eaves height as possible.

These boxes will be closely monitored for nesting birds by way of looking for any evidence of bird droppings and nesting materials. During the Autumn season (but not before the end of August) and only if vacated the sparrow terraces will be cleared out of its contents and if applicable cleaned using boiling water to ensure any

remaining parasites have been removed and allowed to dry before the lid is replaced.

Approximate dimensions of the sparrow terraces will be 48cm long x 23cm high x 17cm deep, with removable or hinged lid.

Swallow Nests



The Schwegler Swallow Nest No. 10 (or similar) consists of a woodcrete nesting bowl which is attached to a wooden panel of formaldehyde-free chipboard. The nests will be placed inside the building leaving a distance of at least 6cm between the top of the nest and the ceiling. Swallows are sociable birds and multiple nests should not be placed at less than 1m intervals. Cleaning of the bowl is recommended, although not absolutely necessary.

Approximate dimensions for each nest will be 11cm high x 25cm wide x 14cm deep.

Installation

Installation of the sparrow terraces and swallows nest will be done at the time the building is erected and they will be installed by the applicant.

The applicant has been advised to follow guide lines set out by the RSPB for installation and maintenance of the boxes/nests.

Sparrows

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/birds-and-wildlife/wildlife-guides/bird-a-z/house-sparrow/>

Swallows

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