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From: Planning For Nature
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Dear Jane,

The Biodiversity Net Gain Assessment dated 23/03/2022 by Aspect Ecology is appropriate and shows a gain for both habitat area and hedgerows. Although the trading rules have not been met, due to overall loss of grassland, a range of other appropriate habitats have been proposed which fit with local priorities. I have discussed some potential further enhancement options with Aspect Ecology, and am confident that further details can be dealt with via a condition requiring a LEMP be provided.

Having checked the Flood Risk Assessment and Outline Drainage Strategy, it is clear that there is adequate space for sustainable drainage, and the initial proposals are viable. I have suggested some further ideas to Aspect Ecology to maximise the biodiversity and amenity value of any SuDs, so would welcome further detailed drainage plans as a condition.

Summary - no objection subject to conditions:

1. Landscape and Ecology Management Plan
2. Detailed Drainage Scheme incorporating natural wetland habitats

Regards,

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Senior Planning Officer

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