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Comments: I am part of the group Swifts of Leek, that campaigns to improve the provision of suitable nesting sites for swifts in Leek. Swifts are on the red list of species that are at risk, having declined drastically in the last twenty or so years. Leek has several small colonies of swifts, one of which we have observed in the area of London Mill. We have not observed birds using that building for nesting, as it appears there is no means of entry for them. However, there have been swifts this season using and investigating the adjacent mill building (I can supply photographic evidence of this). Therefore London Mill would be an ideal building for the inclusion of swift bricks, of which there are many designs readily available and easily installed. We would recommend that the provision of swift bricks for nesting be included as a condition of the planning permission, if granted.

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