



31st January 2023

Michael Finnigan
MJ Finnigan Demolition
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Dear Michael,

Form Pye Scrap Metal Yard Building: Bat Protection

To enable the discharge of Condition 10a of planning application 135704/NMC/2022, Rachel Hacking Ecology Ltd was commissioned to produce a precautionary method statement to address the risk of impacts to bats resulting from the proposed demolition of the building.

A site visit was undertaken on 31st January 2023 by Simon Holden MCIEEM. Simon has over 17 years' professional experience and holds a level 2 bat survey class licence (Ref. 201942937-CLS-CLS). The building was assessed from the ground using binoculars to identify any features with potential to support roosting bats.

The building to be demolished is a single-storey brick construction with a pitch roof covered with corrugated asbestos cement board. The building is assessed as offering negligible potential to support roosting bats, due to the absence of suitable roosting features.

A toolbox talk was given to the staff on site covering the legal status of bats and advising that, in the unlikely event that bats are encountered during works, work will stop in that area and a suitably qualified ecologist will be contacted to provide advice.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Holden MCIEEM
Associate Ecologist
Rachel Hacking Ecology Ltd.