

Ecology Mitigation Requirements

Key

No mitigation required	
Mitigation requirements met	
Mitigation in progress	
Mitigation requirements to be met in future phases	

Appendix A - Infrastructure in relation to the Phases.

Appendix B - Indicative skylark pair positions (located during the breeding bird surveys (JBA, 2019).

Appendix C - Indicative mitigation map

Phase	Required Mitigation	Provided/In Progress/To Be Provided Mitigation
Relief Road and	West of roundabout - H34 is categorised as an 'important' hedgerow. If this is to be removed, then a replacement species-	Majority of this hedgerow is to be retained and protected. Replacement hedgerow has been provided as part of the relief road, infrastructure
Infrastructure	rich hedgerow will need to be provided.	and POS (see Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) calculations).
		0.27km of hedgerow in total (site-wide) will be lost to the proposals, however 1.53km will be enhanced and 3.56 native species-rich
		hedgerow is proposed. Enhancement will include gapping-up with additional native species where appropriate and long-term
		management to ensure condition is improved.
	North of roundabout - H42 is categorised as an 'important'	This hedgerow will be retained and gapped up, where appropriate and
	hedgerow. If this is to be removed, then a replacement species-	long-term management to ensure condition is improved (as currently
	rich hedgerow will need to be provided.	considered to be of 'poor' condition).

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Phase	Required Mitigation	Provided/In Progress/To Be Provided Mitigation
Relief Road	An area of scrub at the western most section of the relief road footprint will be removed. This will require replacement of the same broad habitat or higher value.	Replacement scrub has been provided as part of the relief road, infrastructure and POS (see BNG calculations).
	Owl boxes.	At least seven owl boxes are to be installed on suitable trees within the relief road planting. Trees may not be suitable at time of initial planting and therefore the boxes should be installed when trees are at a suitable height, or the boxes can be installed on sturdy poles. Approximate locations shown on the mitigation map (Appendix C) and numbers are minimums.
	Bat hops.	Although it is not possible to develop fully connected tree canopy over the relief road due to the width and highway constraints; scrub, tree and wildflower planting will be provided either side of the road, which provide optimal bat commuting and foraging grounds. The trees will be allowed to grow up as much as possible while still within highway safety guidelines.
Infrastructure in relation to 2A	G43 is categorised as an 'important' hedgerow. If this is to be removed, then a replacement species-rich hedgerow will need to be provided.	Majority of this hedgerow is to be retained and protected. Replacement hedgerow has been provided as part of the relief road, infrastructure and POS (see BNG calculations).
		0.27km of hedgerow in total (site-wide) will be lost to the proposals, however 1.53km will be enhanced and 3.56 native species-rich hedgerow is proposed. Enhancement will include gapping-up with additional native species where appropriate and long-term management to ensure condition is improved.
Infrastructure in relation to 3A	G37 is categorised as an 'important' hedgerow. If this is to be removed, then a replacement species-rich hedgerow will need to be provided. G30 is categorised as an 'important' hedgerow. If this is to be removed, then a replacement species-rich hedgerow will need to be provided.	Majority of these hedgerows are to be retained and protected. Replacement hedgerow has been provided as part of the relief road, infrastructure and POS (see BNG calculations). 0.27km of hedgerow in total (site-wide) will be lost to the proposals, however 1.53km will be enhanced and 3.56 native species-rich hedgerow is proposed. Enhancement will include gapping-up with additional native species where appropriate and long-term



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		management to ensure condition is improved.
Infrastructure	Small strip of mixed scrub will be removed. This will require	Replacement scrub has been provided as part of the relief road,
in relation to 5C	replacement of the same broad habitat or higher value.	infrastructure and POS (see BNG calculations).
Infrastructure in relation to 6	G29 and G26 is categorised as 'important' hedgerows. If these are to be removed, then a replacement species-rich hedgerow will need to be provided.	Majority of this hedgerow is to be retained and protected. Replacement hedgerow has been provided as part of the relief road, infrastructure and POS (see BNG calculations).
		0.27km of hedgerow in total (site-wide) will be lost to the proposals, however 1.53km will be enhanced and 3.56 native species-rich hedgerow is proposed. Enhancement will include gapping-up with additional native species where appropriate and long-term management to ensure condition is improved.
Infrastructure in relation to 6	Section of scrub will be removed for the infrastructure related to this phase. This will require replacement of the same broad habitat or higher value.	Replacement scrub has been provided as part of the relief road, infrastructure and POS (see BNG calculations).
	SUDs basin at the south east of Phase 6 is proposed in an areas which is currently scrub habitat. This will require replacement of the same broad habitat or higher value.	
3A	Sulphur clover in relation to G37 will be retained.	Fencing has been erected to protect the hedgerow and all ground flora. The proposed footpath has been moved further south/west to avoid the clover.
		rrently in discussion with Suffolk Wildlife Trust regarding the plot ovision.
3B		Currently in discussion with Suffolk Wildlife Trust regarding the plot provision.
4A		Currently in discussion with Suffolk Wildlife Trust regarding the plot provision.
5A		Currently in discussion with Suffolk Wildlife Trust regarding the plot provision.
6	Majority of the site is scrubland which will require mitigation. This will require replacement of the same broad habitat or	Currently more 'medium' distinctiveness habitat group is required to off-set the loss of scrubland. To be provided within future phases.

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	higher value.	
	Small areas of sulphur clover to be translocated to phase 3A (or	Translocation method statement has been produced. Translocation
	other suitable locations).	occurred May 2022.
General	Hedgehog links.	Hedgehog links provided in all phases in suitable locations (i.e. not
		facing roads).
	Bird boxes.	All phases are providing a mixture of bird boxes for a variety of species.
		Box types include; Schwegler 1SP house sparrow, Schwegler 16S swift
		boxes, Schwegler kestrel nest box and Schwegler 3SV nest boxes.
	Bat boxes.	All phases are providing a mixture of bat boxes for a variety of species.
		Box types include; Schwegler 1FR bat box, Schwegler 2FE bat box and/or
		Ibstock enclosed bat box.
	Reptile hibernacula.	All phases are providing at least one hibernacula.
	Scrub placement.	Areas of replacement scrub are mainly within boundary treatments and
		POS so there is a good connection between scrub with other green
		spaces such as wildflower, trees, hedgerows and SUDs; providing
		multiple wildlife 'corridors'.
	Bat hops.	Tree planting and hedgerow enhancements in suitable locations either
		side of the roads within the infrastructure application will be managed
		and allowed to grow up, providing a sufficient connection above street
		lighting for bat commuting routes.
BNG	'Medium' distinctiveness habitat group (or higher) is required to	To be provided within future phases. It is estimated that 0.17 hectare of
Tradition	off-set the loss of this distinctiveness from the site as a whole	mixed scrub (or similar distinctiveness habitat) at least at 'moderate'
Standards	(likely from scrubland within Phase 6).	condition will be required to satisfy the trading standards. This will be
		planted at boundary habitats and throughout the residential phases.
	'Low' distinctiveness habitat group (or higher) is required to off-	Provided as part of the relief road, infrastructure and POS, and Phases
	set the loss of this distinctiveness from the site as a whole.	2A/B (see BNG calculations).



Appendix A - Infrastructure in relation to the Phases (JBA18/531-XX refers to the corresponding landscape plans)











