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Planning Department  
West Suffolk Council  
West Suffolk House  
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Bury St. Edmunds, IP33 3YU

31<sup>st</sup> May 2022

Dear Penny,

**RE: DC/20/0614/RM. Application for Reserved Matters pursuant to hybrid planning permission SE/09/1283 for Infrastructure comprising of: the internal estate roads, drainage, POS, landscaping, and allotments for Land at North West Haverhill. Land Nw Of Haverhill Anne Sucklings Lane Little Wratting Suffolk**

Thank you for sending us details of this re-consultation, we have the following comments:

We have read the covering letter (Isaac Jolly, 27<sup>th</sup> May 2022) submitted by the applicant and we are satisfied that additional botanical surveys of the Anne Suckling's Way County Wildlife Site will be undertaken in order to inform the approach to hedgerow planting within the County Wildlife Site. Additionally, we are satisfied that a precautionary method statement for dormouse will be put in place. A precautionary method statement for dormouse should include:

- Checks for dormouse nests prior to works. This should include checks for aerial nests in above ground vegetation from April to October inclusive and ground level checks for hibernation nests from October to April inclusive.
- Progressive clearance of vegetation towards retained habitats.
- Ecological supervision of vegetation clearance on site.
- Works must stop if evidence of dormouse is found.

These measures regarding the Anne Suckling's Way County Wildlife Site and the hazel dormouse precautionary method statement should be secured as a condition of planning consent.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require anything further.

Yours sincerely

Ellen Shailes

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