

Amey Yuill
Planning Department
West Suffolk Council
West Suffolk House
Western Way
Bury St. Edmunds
IP33 3YU

21st July 2025

Dear Amey,

RE: DC/25/0529/FUL| Planning Application - a. infill glazing of openings and panels of existing buildings b.window and door openings to existing buildings c.use of building 23 for refuse and cycle storage | Former Animal Health Trust, Lanwades Park, Kentford, Newmarket.

Thank you for sending Suffolk Wildlife Trust notice of this application. We make the following comments, which are not dissimilar to those relating to applications DC/25/0623/FUL and DC/25/0624/HYB:

County Wildlife Sites

The Preliminary Ecological Appraisal¹ includes an incorrect measurement between the site red line and *The Limekilns and Adjacent Areas County Wildlife Site (CWS)*. The CWS lies less than 1km from the red line boundary and less than 100m from the blue line boundary. This parcel is listed as a CWS in Cambridgeshire and is viewed by Suffolk Wildlife Trust through the sharing of data with CPERC².

Clarity is therefore needed that CWSs, notably The Limekilns and Adjacent Areas CWS will not be impacted.

Enhancement

Page 32 of the PEA Report confirms that enhancements are proposed. These should be well-considered and specific detail provided to discharge a well-worded condition.

Suffolk Wildlife Trust strongly supported the proposed monitoring by an ecologist of ecological compensation and enhancement features after installation which was proposed within information supplied by SWECO for similar applications DC/25/0623/FUL and DC/25/0624/HYB. Again, we urge this to be secured via a suitable planning condition, which could extend to monitoring of onsite biodiversity units.

Thank you again for consulting Suffolk Wildlife Trust on this application. Please keep us informed regards this application and contact us if you have further questions regarding these comments.

Yours sincerely,

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¹ SWECO, 2024, *PEA Report: Lanwades Woodland Park*, 65210959-SWE-XX-XX-T-J-0002, Rev.: C01, 04/09/2024

² <https://www.cperc.org.uk/>