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Our Ref: P2172/2 - Land to the Rear of 39-45 Whitley Wood Lane, Reading

RE: Reading Borough Council Planning Application No: 210947, Conditions 12 & 13

The above titled conditions state the following requirements:

"12. All areas of hedges, scrub or similar vegetation where birds may nest which are to be removed as part of the development, are to be cleared outside the bird-nesting season (March - August inclusive) or if clearance during the bird-nesting season cannot reasonably be avoided, a suitably qualified ecologist will check the areas to be removed immediately prior to clearance and advise whether nesting birds are present. If active nests are recorded, no vegetation clearance or other works that may disturb active nests shall proceed until all young have fledged the nest. REASON: To ensure that wildlife is not adversely affected by the proposed development in line with Policy EN12 of the Reading Borough Local Plan (2019).

13. Site clearance shall [...] be carried-out under the supervision of a suitably qualified ecologist (that is a member of CIEEM or an equivalent organisation) who will check features such as compost heaps, piles of debris for reptiles. In the event that reptiles are found they are to be removed to a safe place way from the works and on completion of site clearance works a letter detailing the methods implemented shall be submitted to the Local Planning Authority. REASON: To ensure that wildlife is not adversely affected by the proposed development in line with Policy EN12 of the Reading Borough Local Plan (2019)."

In compliance with the condition, the following work was undertaken:

- Production of a Precautionary Working Method Statement report referenced: Precautionary Working Method Statement (Elton Ecology Ltd, 2023) Land to the rear of 39-45 Whitley Wood Lane, Reading. P2172_02. V0. 30th May 2023.
- Ecological Clerk of Works site supervision, carried out by myself on the following dates:
 - 7th May 2023
 - 31st May 2023

I can confirm that the site clearance was carried out in accordance with conditions 12 & 13, and in accordance with the Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (Elton Ecology, 2022) and Precautionary Working Method Statement (Elton Ecology, 2023) for the site.

Kind regards,



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Director