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Dear Sir/Madam,

**PROPOSAL: DISCHARGE OF CONDITION 06 (ECOLOGY) OF PLANNING
PERMISSION P/2019/0898**

LOCATION: CARETAKER HOUSE HAFOD RUABON WREXHAM

Thank you for re-consulting Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru / Natural Resources Wales about the above, which we received on 18th October 2021.

We have concerns with the application as submitted. We do not recommend your Authority discharges condition 6 for the following reasons.

Condition 6

Further to our previous responses (ref: CAS-154821-G3H0 1st July 2021 and CAS-159384-V7K8 5th August 2021) we note the updated Site Development and GCB Conservation Plan (October 2021). We advise that ecological compliance audits (ECA) are undertaken by a suitably licenced and experienced ecologist throughout the year. The reasoning and rationale for this is that there is a potential risk of non-compliance of species protection legislation if compliance checks are undertaken by a non-licensed person. A licenced ECA is commissioned throughout the year and this should be revised in the Site Development and GCN Conservation Plan (July 2021 (amended Oct 2021)).

Advice

We consider it would be helpful if a specific and detailed post construction management plan is prepared in respect of the identified ecology area. This could form an Annex to the conservation plan. With provisions of the plan to include

- Aims and objectives for each identified ecological feature.
- Management prescriptions for each habitat type, e.g. grassland, pond, hedgerows etc.
- Skills and competencies and potential licensing requirements.
- Reporting.

Provisions of the conservation plan, as currently submitted, can be used to provide the detail of the management plan.

Other Matters

Our comments above only relate specifically to matters included on our checklist, *Development Planning Advisory Service: Consultation Topics* (September 2018), which is published on our [website](#). We have not considered potential effects on other matters and do not rule out the potential for the proposed development to affect other interests.

We advise the applicant that, in addition to planning permission, it is their responsibility to ensure they secure all other permits/consents/licences relevant to their development. Please refer to our [website](#) for further details.

If you have any queries on the above, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

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