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Wrexham County Borough Council
The Guildhall
Wrexham
LL11 1AY

Date: 20 October 2023

Dear Sir/Madam,

PROPOSAL: ERECTION OF FIELD SHELTER AND FORMATION OF PATHWAY (IN RETROSPECT)

LOCATION: WOODCROFT, HOLLYBUSH, BANGOR ON DEE, WREXHAM, LL13 0BH

Thank you for consulting Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru (CNC)/Natural Resources Wales (NRW) about the above, which we received on 03 October 2023.

We have no objection to the proposed development as submitted and provide the following advice.

Protected Sites

We note the application site is within the catchment of the River Dee and Bala Lake Special Area of Conservation (SAC). As you are aware, on the 21st January 2021, we published an evidence package outlining phosphorus levels for all river SACs across Wales. In line with our [Planning Advice](#) (August 2023), under the Habitats Regulations, Planning Authorities must consider the phosphorus impact of proposed developments on water quality within SAC river catchments. We therefore advise you to consider whether the proposals, as submitted, would increase the volume of foul discharge from the site in planning terms.

Any manure produced must be managed (storage and application to land) in line with [The Code of Good Agricultural Practice \(CoGAP\) for the Protection of Water, Soil and Air for Wales](#). If manure is managed correctly then the application as submitted is unlikely to increase the amount of phosphorus entering the catchment. Therefore, we are satisfied that the proposal is not likely to have a significant effect on the River Dee and Bala Lake SAC.

Protected Species

The ecological report submitted in support of the application appears to be a habitat survey looking at a much wider area (Wrexham and Denbigh Biodiversity Group Baseline Surveys, PART 2. Reports for Individual Farms Woodcroft Farm, Surveys undertaken by Peter Jackson Sept 2021, Jan and Feb 2022). As the report does not directly address the proposed

development, we recommend you consult your internal ecological advisor on the proposals to determine whether the scope of information presented is acceptable for the scale of development.

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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