



PLANNING CONSULTATION RESPONSE

Application No	2026/0503
Proposal	Erection of single storey office building (Use Class E(g)) with ancillary attached garage/store, external storage/open storage yard, formation of parking area and erection of wall/boundary treatments.
Address	Plot 9 Unit 1, Claycliffe Road, Barugh, Barnsley, S75 1HS
Date of Consultation Reply	15/07/2026
Consultee	Claire Wilson, Planning Ecologist

Consultation Assessment and Justification

A BNG assessment, metric and condition assessment have been provided to support the application. However, as the site meets the de-minims, a BNG assessment is not required. The habitats on site are considered to be of low ecological value and unlikely to provide foraging or refuge habitat for protected and/or priority species.

To maximise the biodiversity value of the site the planting of native trees and shrubs should be considered, where appropriate. Alongside the installation of bat and bird boxes on the new building, as per the biodiversity and geodiversity SPD. The plans and elevations drawing appears to include an area of grassland and tree planting which is welcomed.

No objection

*Delete as applicable

Consultation Suggested Conditions:

- The development shall be carried out in accordance with the following additional biodiversity mitigation and enhancement measures. The measures listed below shall be implemented in full, prior to first occupation of the site, and full details including photographic evidence provided to the Local Planning Authority, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority; the features shall thereafter be permanently retained.
 - At least 1 no. integrated bat roosting box, integrated swift box and bee brick to be installed in suitable locations within the new building; and
 - Hedgehog highways to be installed in boundary fencing. The hedgehog highways will be signposted to prevent residents blocking the gaps.

Consultation Informative(s):

If a protected or priority species (such as any bat, great crested newt, badger, barn owl, hedgehog, or any nesting bird) is discovered using a feature on site that would be affected by the development or related works all activity which might affect the species at the locality should cease. You should then seek the advice of a suitably qualified and experienced ecologist and consider the need for a licence from Natural England prior to commencing works. This action is necessary to avoid possible prosecution and ensure compliance with the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended), the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended), the Protection of Badgers Act 1992 and the Wild Mammals Act 1996. This advice note should be passed on to any persons or contractors carrying out the development/works.