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Planning Ref: F/TH/19/0251

Location: Land to rear of Royal Exchange, Millers Lane, Monkton, Kent CT12 4JW

Dear Luke

Further to your correspondence received on todays date and following on from our conversation.

I would like you to consider granting me permission to clear the site on the basis that we are doing our upmost to ensure we protect any living species that maybe present onsite, not just protected species.

We are not simply bull dozing the site with heavy machinery but undertaking the clearance on foot. There will be plenty of eyes on the ground to ensure we work through the site with a fine toothcomb to ensure the safety of any species present, and rest assured we feel quite strongly about this. I have an experienced tree surgeon that will be undertaking the clearance of the site and he also has a great understanding of the wildlife that could be present and will undertake all precautionary measures before removing the overgrowth on the site. We have together conducted various walkovers of the site now prodding and poking and feel we are more than competent to ensure this site is cleared with respect to the environment that will ultimately become my future home.

Once cleared I will immediately want to start replanting the boundaries and ensuring the wildlife has a future around our property. We already have 5 hedgehog boxes ready to put in place and bat boxes to fix to the trees. We will also install the insect hotels along the boundary hedges.

As previously said, if any wildlife species are found or disturbed in the process of clearing the site, rest assured we will remove/rehome it safely in the vicinity, or if we are unsure works will be halted until expert advice is given.

I hope this revised methodology of ensuring the safety and protection of any species present is acceptable and you can grant permission for me to start clearing the site in the near future.

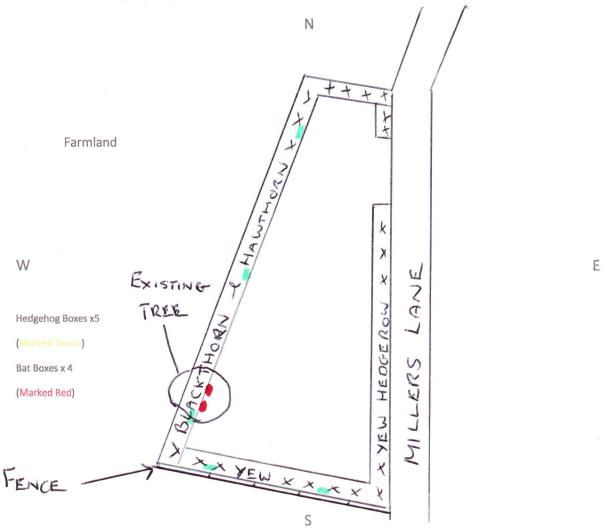
If you have any further recommendations, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Kind regards

Jason Bailey

Ecological Enhancement: Condition No 9 / Planning Ref: F/TH/19/0251

New mixed native hedging of blackthorn and hawthorn to be planted to the North and West boundaries of the property.



The boundary between the Royal Exchange to the South will have a closed boarded fence separating the properties and a yew hedgerow will be planted to our side of the property and to the east fronting millers lane.

In addition to the above, once the development is complete, the 2 additional bat boxes and insect hotels will be installed on and around the property the house to enhance the biodiversity and further native trees, along with shrubs and flowers will be planted around the property to enhance the ecological and biodiversity of the site and surrounding area.