

d)	damaged or destroy a pond or are in close proximity to the pond (circa 50m)?		✓	
e)	affect suitable habitat: refuges (e.g. log piles or rubble) grassland, scrub woodlands or hedgerows OR is connected to the pond by grassland, hedgerows etc?		✓	
2.6	Will the proposal affect mature/overgrown gardens over 0.1ha, or any rough grassland, meadow, orchard derelict/brownfield land, railway land or allotments? (see note 2)		✓	Reptiles/ Breeding birds
2.8	Any wind turbine		✓	Bats/Birds

NOTES

Note 1 - You can find out if your application site is on or near any of these sites from www.natureonthemap.org.uk, www.magic.gov.uk or the LPA's Local Plan Proposals Map.

SSSI = Site of Special Scientific Interest (designated and protected under UK law); SAC = Special Area of Conservation; SPA = Special Protection Area (these are designated and protected under EU law and are also SSSIs); Ramsar site = internationally important wetland, designated under the Ramsar Convention – these will also be SPAs / SACs and SSSIs.

Note 2 - Effects could be DIRECT, such as destruction, removal or modification, or INDIRECT through disturbance such as run-off, noise, dust, lighting or increased recreational use.

Note 3 - Areas of designated Ancient Woodland and some Priority Habitats can be found on www.magic.gov.uk. The LPA's Local Plan Proposals Map for your local planning authority may identify the location of any KWS's. Ordnance survey maps may also help.

Note 4 - Avoidance = measures taken to avoid impacts – should be the first considerations; Mitigation = measures which make unavoidable impacts less severe; Compensation = measures which counterbalance remaining impacts, resulting in an overall no net loss of biodiversity. (NB 'Mitigation' as a general term, or a 'mitigation strategy' is often used to cover all these processes).

Note 5 – (a note on hanging tiles) This checklist, where relating to potential impacts on **bats**, is adapted from the Bat Conservation Trust's guidelines (see <http://www.bats.org.uk/pages/guidanceforprofessionals.html>) on where bats might reasonably be likely to be found. However bats can be found in other locations, types or areas of buildings. It is particularly important to note that where a building has **hanging tiles** but is not within 200m of woodland or water, there is still potentially a reasonable likelihood of bats being present and a survey may be required in situations other than those specifically identified in this checklist.

Note 6 – **Priority species** - Species that have been identified as being at risk (in that they are rare or in decline) or that are important for certain key species of plant or animal – see <http://jncc.defra.gov.uk/page-5705>

Important: this checklist cannot include all protected species and all circumstances where they may be affected. Legislation relating to protected species applies in all circumstances and it is the responsibility of the developer to ensure that protected species and habitats are not impacted as a result of development. If protected species are found during the course of development, work should be halted and advice sought from Natural England or a qualified ecologist.

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1	Have ALL questions on ALL sections been completed?	Y / N	If YES, go to 2	If NO, application should not be validated
2	Have any questions been answered 'Yes'?	Y / N	If YES, go to 3	If NO, application can be validated
3	Does the applicant identify likely impacts and address potential issues in any comments made on the checklist?	Y / N	If YES, application can be validated	If NO, go to 4
4	Has a separate statement, report or other supporting information been submitted to address potential impacts?	Y / N	If YES, application can be validated	If NO, application should not be validated