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Ref: Assessment of the March House property, Midhurst, West Sussex

To whom it may concern,

The Ecology Co-op undertook a bat scoping assessment of the March House Property on the 11th October 2017. This survey was undertaken further to proposals for a new single storey extension upon the eastern face of the property and the demolition of a garage to make way for the construction of a replacement double garage.

I made a repeat site visit to the property on the 27th January 2022 at the request of the owner of the property to provide a compliance statement, confirming that the work that has been undertaken at the property has not had an adverse impact upon roosting bats. The survey in 2017 had concluded that the proposed extension upon the east face of the roof did not require any further survey effort and had a negligible potential to impact roosting bats, however if the slate roof tiles on the main roof or the roof of a single storey extension adjacent to the proposed extension were to be disturbed, then a single bat emergence survey would have been required.

During my site visit it was noted that the extension on the eastern face of the property had been built as described within the original bat scoping assessment (see Figure 1 and Photograph 1 in the accompanying appendix) and the work does not appear to have resulted in the disturbance of any roof tiles. This work has therefore complied with the recommendations of the 2017 report.

The proposal to demolish an existing detached single garage and replace this with a double garage did not proceed and the garage remains in its original condition. It has a negligible suitability for roosting bats.

If you have any queries about the findings of this assessment, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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Appendix 1 – Figures and Site Photographs

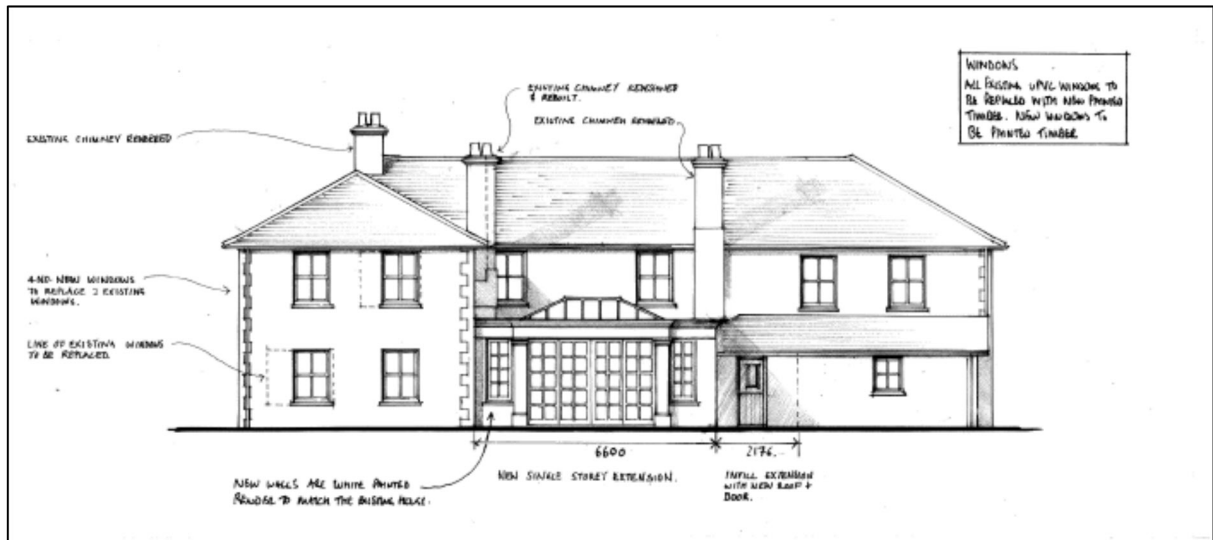


Figure 1. The eastern elevation of the development as proposed from 2017.



Photograph 1. The eastern elevation of the property as observed on the 27th January 2022.