

RE: BERS Report



30 Aug at 10:46



Natalie Evans



Hi Claire,

Please see answers in red in your email below:

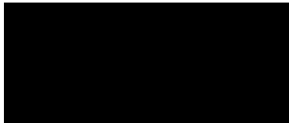
Kind regards,



Natalie Evans

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Subject: Re: BERS Report

Good morning Ben/Natalie,

Please could I ask you to clarify a couple of quick things in our BERS report?

1. What is the difference between the European Protected Species Licence (EPSL) and the Bat Mitigation Class Licence (BMCL)? Both are referred to in the report and i'm a bit unclear as to whether these are the same thing or two different things. **They are two branches of the same thing, the BMCL is still an EPSL it is just the low impact version.**
2. When we spoke on the phone about the licence we were told there would be no time restriction in terms of when the work is performed (this is also mentioned on page 21 of the report)- as long as the work is done within 6 months of obtaining a licence. However, the report goes on to say that if bats are found between November and March then works must cease and advice must be sought from the registered consultant. Can you explain how these two statements tally up? **That is correct there are no timing restrictions. In the unlikely event that a hibernating bat is found we would need to stop work.**
3. The report states that a 'material changes check' is required within 3 months of the EPSL submission (page 19)- can you confirm if this 3 month period is from the date of our BERS report (24 August) or 3 months from the date of the last survey (17 July)? **An MCC is required if the site has not been visited by an ecologist in over 3 months, so it is the date of the survey that is important and not the date of the report.**

Kind regards

Claire

On Friday, 25 August 2023 at 15:43:52 BST, Claire Coleman [REDACTED] wrote:

Thank Ben, much appreciated.

I'll read it over the weekend and let you know if I have any queries.

Kind regards

Claire

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> On 25 Aug 2023, at 15:26, Ben Newbery [REDACTED] wrote:

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> Hi Claire,

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> I have seen that your payment has been received. Please find attached your Bat Emergence/Re-entry Survey report for Witham Wood, Marley Lane, Haslemere, West Sussex, GU27 3PZ.

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> Please don't hesitate to get in touch if you have any further questions.

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> Kind regards

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> Ben Newbery (he/him)

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> Graduate Ecologist

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> -----Original Message-----



> Subject: BERS Report

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> Hi Ben/Natalie,

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> Are you able to confirm before the bank holiday whether finance received my payment and whether we might receive our BERS report today?

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> Many thanks

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> Claire

> <BERS Report - Witham Wood, Marley Lane, GU27 3PZ - FINAL - 240823.pdf>