SUFFOLK EUROPEAN SITES/RAMS MITIGATION PROPOSAL LAND EAST OF, IPSWICH ROAD, HOLBROOK, IP9 2QT – DC/18/05228

Condition 14 of the Outline Planning Permission stipulates that:

No development shall be carried out until proposals for the mitigation of the impact of the development on protected Suffolk European Sites have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority, and the Local Planning Authority has confirmed in writing that the provision of the proposed mitigation has been secured. Such proposals must provide for mitigation in accordance with the emerging joint (Draft) Habitats Regulations Assessment Recreational Disturbance Avoidance and Mitigation Strategy, or for mitigation to at least an equivalent effect. Provide details of the manner in which the proposed mitigation is to be secured.

The development shall be carried out in accordance with and subject to the proposals as may be approved.

Correspondence was entered in to with Mr Mark Russell of Babergh DC to establish how the condition could be discharged. He advised by email on 21/8/23 that "a Unilateral Undertaking as per the RAMS form for x 7 dwellings would be perfectly acceptable. This would need to be paid prior to the condition being discharged".

As a result, the council's on line form, "Recreational Avoidance Mitigation Contribution Payment", will be completed pursuant to Section 111 of the Local Government Act 1972. The completion of this form will secure the relevant payment in accordance with the RAMS, which in turn would mitigate the impact of the development on protected Suffolk European Sites.

For the purposes of the RAMS payment, Holbrook lies in Zone A where the mitigation payment is set at £121.89 per new dwelling. The payment to be made is therefore £853.23 (ie 7 dwellings x £121.89).

Once the discharge of conditions application has been validated, then the RAMS form will be completed and relevant payment will be made. The council is invited to discharge Condition 14 on this basis.