

Condition 8 – Ecological timetable

When?	Comments
Prior to starting, on first day and during	Appoint an Ecological Clerk of Works and formally instruct (“toolbox talk”) contractors and site personnel on agreed policies, recommendations and requirements to maintain environmental quality and minimise impacts during construction, generally avoiding unnecessary disturbance and pollution, avoiding vehicle movements and storage of materials on garden/retained greenspace areas.
Prior to starting:	Provision of ready-made bird boxes, a mix of open-fronted and hole-nesting boxes constructed from woodcrete suitable for starlings and other hole nesting species).
Prior to starting:	Provision of bat boxes on trees.
On first day on works (&/or during works)	Undertake a fingertip search of the development area prior to site stripping/infilling to remove vulnerable taxa, (reptiles & amphibians) to safe zones.
On completion of filing	Provision of log piles for invertebrates (including stag beetles), reptiles and amphibians.
On completion of filing	Use native planting (preferably of local origin) in all landscaping. Where exotic species are planted, always avoid invasive species and choose those with wildlife value such as for nectar or shelter.
During works	If during works a protected species is uncovered, works will stop and advise and support from ECOW.