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BIODIVERSITY REPORT

RETROSPECTIVES APPLICATIONS FOR THE REGULARISATION OF COMMERICAL USES AT UPPER LACON FARM (APPLICATIONS – 23/03851/FUL, 23/03847/FUL AND 23/03850/FUL)



APPLICANT: J Walmsley and Son

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report has been prepared to accompany discharge of condition report for the regularisation of the commercial uses at Upper Lacon Farm approved under applications 23/03847/FUL (wider site), 23/03850/FUL (Yard 7) and 23/03851/FUL (Unit B5). These applications required various ecological enhancements to be approved by Shropshire Council.

2.0 OBJECTIVES OF THE REPORT

The proposed landscaping looks to meet the objectives below:

- Provide sufficient connectivity to the wider area for local wildlife,
- To create wildlife and biodiversity enhancements and habitats for local wildlife.

3.0 OVERVIEW OF THE SCHEME

As the application is retrospective ecological enhancements will be placed on existing buildings and existing and enhancements have been proposed to try and help the connectivity achieved by the proposed landscaping. Some enhancements have been placed on the wider holding.

The report looks to provide an overview of the cumulative enhancements proposed to show no conflict or doubling up between enhancements.

4.0 **BIODIVERSITY**

To protect foraging opportunities for birds and other local wildlife will be placed throughout the site (at the farmstead and within fields) which would include. Please refer to the landscaping plan and wider aerial image.

Enhancements for 23/03581/FUL indicated by 'Star'; 23/03847/FUL by a square and 23/03850/FUL a circle

PINK: Vivara Woodstone Bat Box



DARK BLUE: Vivara Woodstone Starling Box



LIGHT BLUE: Sparrow Terrace



YELLOW: Schwegler Swallow Cup



• **RED**: Vivara Woodstone Seville 32mm nest box



LIGHT GREEN: Schwegler 1B Nest Box – 26mm



DARK GREEN: Hedgehog Dome



All Bat Boxes will be located 3m above ground and all bird Boxes 2m above ground



