

**CONSULTATION RESPONSE TO  
PLANNING OR RELATED APPLICATION**

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<b>Date of reply</b>	18/04/2024		<b>Consultee reference:</b>	
<b>Planning Application Reference</b>	24/00475/FUL		<b>Case Officer:</b> Ranald Dods	
<b>Applicant</b>	Mr T Hotham			
<b>Agent</b>	White Hill Design Studio LLP			
<b>Proposed Development</b>	Alterations and extension to dwellinghouse			
<b>Site Location</b>	Old Joiners Shop Skirling Green Skirling Scottish Borders ML12 6HD			
<p><b><i>The following observations represent the comments of the consultee on the submitted application as they relate to the area of expertise of that consultee. A decision on the application can only be made after consideration of all relevant information, consultations and material considerations.</i></b></p>				
<b>Background and Site description</b>				
<b>Key Issues (Bullet points)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Buildings were subject to daytime and dusk/dawn activity surveys to assess for bats.</li> </ul>			
<b>Assessment</b>	<p><i>No evidence of bats was recorded during the surveys. Surveys were undertaken at the appropriate time of year and were of appropriate level.</i></p> <p><i>Bats do not pose a constraint.</i></p> <p><i>No evidence of other protected species was recorded.</i></p> <p><i>Other protected species do not pose a constraint.</i></p>			
<b>Recommendation</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Do not object	<input type="checkbox"/> Do not object, subject to conditions	<input type="checkbox"/> Further information required
<b>Recommended Conditions</b>	<p>Recommendations set out in section 6 of the ecology report should be adopted as conditions. If during works bats or nesting birds are found, works should stop and an ecologist contacted for advice.</p> <p>Recommendations set out in Section 6 of the ecology report should be adopted as conditions.</p>			

<b>Recommended Informatives</b>	
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