

We note that the Planning Portal requires a "Biodiversity Survey and Report" to be uploaded with the application, however, as the application is for a change of use to an existing dwelling with only very minor external works it is considered that there will be no impact to the biodiversity on or surrounding the site. For clarification, the minor external works include the reduction in the size of a window on the front elevation of the existing building and the installation of two additional doors on the western and northern elevation. It is therefore not considered that a Biodiversity Survey and Report is necessary. It is noted that a Biodiversity Survey and Report is not a validation requirement for Fenland District Council.