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22:41	G	Soprano pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
22:48	G	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
22:49	G	Nathusius' pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
22:52	G	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.

## June 2018

	BAT DETECTOR ACTIVITY SURVEY						
SURVEY LOCATION:	BEREWOO Orange route		SURVEYORS:		DATE:	11.06.2018	
TEMP AT START:	18°C	SUNSET:		21:17	START TIME:	21:17	
TEMP AT END:	16ºC	CLOUD COVER (oktas):	COVER		END TIME:	23:17	
WIND (bft):	3/12	RAINFALL	:	Nill	WEATHER:	Dry, sunny.	
	(PLEASE ADD TARGET NOTES TO MAP AND APPEND TO RECORDING FORM)						
TIME	STOPPING POINT/TARGET NOTE	SPECIES	IES NUM OF BA			haviour/ commuting/ ing/ feeding/ feeding tc.	
21:56	F	Soprano pipistrelle			Seen commutin direction.	g in a northeast	
21:56	F	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard but not seen.		
22:09	G-A	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard but not seen.		
22:10	А	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard but not se	een.	
22:11	А	Common pipistrelle	1		Seen foraging in	n gap between trees.	
22:12	A	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard but not se	een.	
22:16	A-B	Common pipistrelle	1		Foraging along hedgerow.		
22:18	В	Common pipistrelle	Common 1		Foraging across open grass.		
22:19	В	Common pipistrelle	Common 1		Foraging across	open grass.	
22:20	В	Common pipistrelle	1		Foraging but no	t seen.	
22:21	В	Common	1		Social calls, hea	ard but not seen.	

		pipistrelle		
22:22	B-C	Common pipistrelle	1	Foraging between trees.
22:24-22:26	C	Common pipistrelle	1	Foraging along tree line by the oak and commuted east towards the pond.
22:28	C-D	Soprano pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
22:28	C-D	Common pipistrelle	1	Foraging along the tree line and hedgerow.
22:30	C-D	Common pipistrelle	1	Foraging by an oak tree.
22:31	D			
22:32	D	Common pipistrelle	1	Foraging by an oak tree.
22:34	D	Common pipistrelle	2	Foraging under tree canopy.
22:40	E	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen, brief call.
22:42	E	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen, foraging around trees.
22:45	E-F	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen, foraging.
22:45-22:50	F	Common pipistrelle	1	Constant foraging and feeding buzzes around oak tree and under tree canopy.
22:51	F-G	Common pipistrelle	1	Foraging and feeding buzzes by oak tree.
22:53	F-G	Common pipistrelle	1	Foraging beneath an oak tree and across grass field.
22:57-22:59	G	Common pipistrelle	1	Foraging beneath an oak tree and across grass field. Feeding buzzes heard.
23:00	G-F	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen, foraging.
23:04	A	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen, foraging.
23:05	Α	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen, foraging.
23:06	Α	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen, brief call.
23:07-23:08	Α	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen, foraging.
23:12	В	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen, foraging.
23:13	В	Common pipistrelle	2	Heard but not seen, foraging.
23:14	В	Nathusius's pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.

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## July 2018 (dusk)

BAT DETECTOR ACTIVITY SURVEY							
SURVEY LOCATION:	Berewood Orange transect	SURVEYO	RS:	Elen Lesourd and Lisa Sharp	DATE:	23.07.18	
TEMP AT START:	21°C	SUNSET:		21:03	START TIME:	21:03	
TEMP AT END:	19ºC	CLOUD COVER (oktas):		0/8	END TIME:	23:03	
WIND (bft):	0/12	RAINFALI		Nil	WEATHER:	Cool, still	
	(PLEASE ADD T FORM)	ARGET NOT	ES	TO MAP	AND APPEND	TO RECORDING	
TIME	STOPPING POINT/TARGET NOTE	SPECIES	NU BA	MBER OF TS		haviour/ commuting/ ing/ feeding/ feeding c.	
21:48	А	Common pipistrelle	1			g a hedgerow and ld in the southeast e.	
21:54	A-B	Common pipistrelle	2		Foraging along the site.	a hedgerow south of	
21:56	A-B	Noctule	1		Seen commuting across the field states	ng north to south south of the site.	
21:58	В	Common pipistrelle	1			along the treeline in orner of the site then to east.	
22:01	В	Noctule	1		Heard but not se	en.	
22:02	В	Common pipistrelle	2		Foraging along southwest corne	the treeline in the r of the site.	
22:09	С	Noctule	1		Heard but not s corner of the site	een in the southwest e.	
22:10	С	Serotine	1		Heard but not se	en.	
22:10	C-D	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard but not se	een.	
22:14	D	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard but not se	een.	
22:16	D	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard passing northwest corner		
22:28	Е	Long eared sp.	1		Heard but not se	een.	
22:28	Е	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard but not se	een.	
22:29	Е						
22:33	Е	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard passing boundary of the	overhead northern site.	
22:39	E-A	Common pipistrelle	1		00	long the hedgerow in e site, then commuted	

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				north to south.
22:43	A-G	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
22:45	G		1	
22:46	G	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen, foraging.
22:50	G	Serotine	1	Heard but not seen.
22:58	G-A	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.

## July 2018 dawn

	BAT DETECTOR ACTIVITY SURVEY						
SURVEY LOCATION:	Berewood Orange route	SURVEYO		Elen Lesourd and Rick Sharp	DATE:	24.07.18	
TEMP AT START:	17℃	SUNRISE:		05:19	START TIME:	03:19	
TEMP AT END:	16℃	CLOUD COVER (oktas):		7/8	END TIME:	05:19	
WIND (bft):	0/12	RAINFALL		Nil	WEATHER:	Damp, very misty	
	(PLEASE ADD TA FORM)	ARGET NOTI	ES T	CO MAP	AND APPEND	TO RECORDING	
TIME	STOPPING POINT/TARGET NOTE	SPECIES	NUN BAT	MBER OF CS		haviour/ commuting/ ing/ feeding/ feeding c.	
03:34		Common pipistrelle	1		Two passes ob the site.	served southeast of	
03:36		Common pipistrelle	1		Foraging, heard	but not seen.	
03:37	A	Long eared sp.	1		Heard but not se	en.	
03:41	A-B	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard not seen, south of the site.	passed overhead	
03:41	A-B	Soprano pipistrelle	2			served south of the	
03:42	A-B	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard but not se	en, passed overhead.	
03:43	В	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard but not heard.	seen. Feeding buzz	
03:47	В	Soprano pipistrelle	1		Four passes	overhead in the r of the site. Feeding	
03:50		Long eared sp. or myotis sp.	1		Heard but not se	en.	

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04:04	D	Common pipistrelle	2	Two passes overhead in the northwest corner of the site.
04:13	F	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
04:13	F	Soprano pipistrelle	1	Foraging around an oak tree south of the site.
04:14	F	Soprano pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
04:41	A	Pipistrelle sp.	1	Heard but not seen.
04:45	В	Soprano pipistrelle	1-2	Foraging in trees in the southwest corner of the site, from north to south then east to west.

## August 2018

	BAT DETECTOR ACTIVITY SURVEY							
SURVEY LOCATION:	BEREWOO Orange route		SURVEYORS		Colin Sutch & Andrew Heideman	DATE:	06.08.2018	
TEMP AT START:	24°C	24°C			20:40	START TIME:	20:40	
TEMP AT END:	22°C		CLOUD COVER (oktas):		2/8	END TIME:	22:38	
WIND (bft):	1/12		RAINFALI		None	WEATHER:	Warm. Dry	
Data Analysed Y/N:	Yes	Additional information:		1:	iPad 4, EM	Γ6		
	(PLEASE ADD T FORM)	ARC	GET NOTES	TO	MAP AND A	PPEND TO RE	CORDING	
TIME	STOPPING POINT/TARGET NOTE	SPI	ECIES	NU BA	MBER OF TS ACTIVITY (behaviour/ commuting/ direction/ for feeding/ feeding buzzes/ 1		ection/ foraging/	
21:14	B-A		orano istrelle	1		Foraging on the southern edge of the site.		
21:17	B – A	Co	mmon istrelle	1		Heard but not seen.		
21:22	A	Sop	orano istrelle	1		Commuted south to north.		
21:26	A – G	Common pipistrelle		1		Commuted on east side of the field south to north.		
21:26	G		ommon 1 pistrelle			Heard but not seen.		
21:29	G		mmon istrelle	1		Commuted on east side of the field north to south.		

21:34	E	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
21:40	F	Common pipistrelle		Heard but not seen.
21:41-21:42	F	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
21:41	F	Noctule	1	Heard but not seen.
21:43	F	Common pipistrelle	1	Foraging in the middle of a field around a tree south of the site.
21:43	F	Long-eared	1	Heard but not seen.
21:45	F	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
21:47	A	Common pipistrelle		Heard but not seen.
21:49-21:50	A	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
21:52	A – B	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
21:54	В	Myotis sp.	1	Heard but not seen.
21:57	В	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
22:00	В	Long-eared	1	Heard but not seen.
22:00	B – C	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
22:05	C – D	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
22:06	C – D	Serotine	1	Heard but not seen.
22:07	C – D	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
22:08-22:13	D	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
22:19	E	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
22:22	F	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.
22:23	F-G	Myotis sp.	1	Heard but not seen.
22:25	F – G	Common pipistrelle	1	Heard but not seen.

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## September 2018

	BAT DETECTOR ACTIVITY SURVEY						
SURVEY LOCATION:	BEREWOO Orange Route	SURVEYO	SURVEYORS:		DATE:	13.09.2018	
TEMP AT START:	17°C	SUNSET:		19:24	START TIME:	19:24	
TEMP AT END:	14°C	CLOUD COVER (oktas):		4/8	END TIME:	21:24	
WIND (bft):	1/12	RAINFALI		Nil	WEATHER:	Clear & dry.	
	(PLEASE ADD TA FORM)	ARGET NOTES	S TO	MAP AND	APPEND TO RE	ECORDING	
TIME	STOPPING POINT/TARGET NOTE	SPECIES	NUMBER OF BATS		ACTIVITY (behaviour/ commuting/ direction/ foraging/ feeding/ feeding buzzes/ roost/ etc.		
19:44	В	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard but not seen, foraging.		
19:45	В	Noctule	1		Heard but not seen.		
19:53	В	Common pipistrelle	1		Foraging up and down the hedgerow.		
20:08	А	Common pipistrelle	1		Heard but not s	een, foraging.	
20:08	А	Noctule	1		Heard but not seen.		
20:24-20:29	E	Soprano pipistrelle	1		Heard but not s	een.	
20:54	В	Soprano pipistrelle	1		Heard but not seen, foraging along hedgerow.		
20:54	В	Noctule	1		Heard but not s	een.	
21:06	С	Common pipistrelle	1-2		Foraging along	the hedgerow.	
21:10	D	Common pipistrelle	Common 1-2		Foraging along	the hedgerow.	
21:13	D	Noctule	1		Heard but not s	een.	
21:16	D	Common pipistrelle	1-2		Foraging along	the hedgerow.	
21:18	Е	Soprano pipistrelle	1		Heard but not s	een, foraging.	



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# SUMMARY

- 1. LC Ecological Services Limited were commissioned by Grainger Plc to conduct an ecological appraisal of phase 11b at Berewood, Waterlooville, PO7 7PS. Berewood (Havant Borough Council planning ref: APP/10/00828/ Winchester City Council planning ref: 10/02862/OUT) is a large multi-phased development. The site boundary for this report is shown in appendix I.
- 2. An ecological appraisal is essentially a multi-disciplinary walk-over survey and was conducted with the objective of identifying any ecological constraints associated with the proposals such as the site's potential to support any legally protected species or habitats of high nature conservation value.
- 3. The nearest non-statutory designated sites include Newlands Row and Plant Row Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) which lies approximately 120 metres and beyond to the east. Further recommendations have been made in section 5.1.
- 4. The site comprises a former arable field which has transitioned to modified grassland with a small section of native hedgerow at the northeast corner. No other habitats are recorded within the redline boundary and the site has been tracked across by large plant and is being used to store some construction materials.
- 5. A short section of native hedgerow approximately 25 metres in length is within the site boundary. The hedgerow qualifies as UK Biodiversity Action Plan habitat. In the event that the hedgerow is to be impacted, a detailed hedgerow assessment is required to determine if they also qualify as 'Important' under the Hedgerow Regulations 1997. Further recommendations have been made in section 5.2.
- 6. No evidence of badger was recorded on site however they are known to be in the area and further recommendations to protect foraging badger during construction are provided in section 5.3.
- 7. Bat activity transect surveys and static bat detectors confirmed up to five species of bat and three genus of bat to be using the site and surrounds for foraging and commuting. Recommendations are provided in section 5.4.
- 8. The hedgerow on site has potential to support common and widespread bird species. Further recommendations are provided in section 5.5.
- 9. The hedgerow on site provides suitable habitat for hazel dormouse and evidence of nesting was confirmed during 2023 surveys in woodland linked to the site through the hedgerow network. Further recommendations have been made in section 5.6.
- 10. Recommendations to enhance the ecological value of the site are outlined in section 5.7.

## **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

LC Ecological Services Limited were commissioned by Grainger Plc to conduct an ecological appraisal of Phase 11b at Berewood, Waterlooville, PO7 7PS (Central grid ref: SU 6689 0922).

Berewood, Waterlooville (Havant Borough Council planning ref: APP/10/00828/ Winchester City Council planning ref: 10/02862/OUT) is a large multi-phased development. This report is phase 11b and the site boundary is provided in appendix I.

An ecological appraisal is essentially a multi-disciplinary walk-over survey and was conducted with the objective of identifying any ecological constraints associated with the proposals such as the site's potential to support any legally protected species or habitats of high nature conservation value.

Section 2 of the report provides some background information on legislative requirements and relevant policy. Section 3 details the methodologies adopted for the ecological surveys that were conducted and section 4 provides an account of the survey results. Section 5 provides information on the relevance of the results to the proposed development and makes recommendations for measures to mitigate and compensate for the effects on a particular habitat or species.

# 2.0 LEGISLATION AND POLICY

## 2.1 Legislation

The following legislation may be of relevance to this application site. Full details of statutory obligations with respect to biodiversity and the planning system can be found in DEFRA Circular 06/2005.

- The Conservation of Habitats and Species (Amendment) Regulations 2017: This transposes the EU Habitats Directive (Council Directive 92/43/EEC) into domestic law. The Regulations provide protection for a number of species including:
  - All species of bat
  - Hazel dormouse (*Muscardinus avellanarius*)
  - Great crested newt (*Triturus cristatus*)

This legislation makes it an offence to deliberately capture, kill or injure individuals of these species listed on Schedule 2 and damage or destroy their breeding site or place of shelter. It is also illegal to deliberately disturb these species in such a way as to be likely to significantly affect: (i) the ability of any significant group of the species to survive, breed or rear or nurture their young; or (ii) the local distribution or abundance of the species<sup>1</sup>.

This legal protection means that where development has the potential to impact on bats, or other species of national interest<sup>2</sup>, the results of a protected species survey must be submitted with a planning application.

Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) and Special Protection Areas (SPAs) are also protected under this legislation, by the creation of a National Site Network (NSN) on land and at sea following the 2019 Regulations. These are a network of sites designated for supporting habitats or species of high nature conservation importance in the European context. Any activity that has a detrimental effect on these NSN sites is made an offence under the Regulations. Where a development is likely to have a significant impact on a NSN, the Regulations require a rigorous assessment of the impacts, known as an Appropriate Assessment.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Conservation of Habitats and Species (Amendments) Regulations 2017 consolidated the numerous amendments that were made to the Conservation (Natural Habitats, & c.) Regulations 1994. Of particular relevance are amendments made in August 2007 and January 2009 which an increased the threshold of illegal levels of disturbance to European Protected Species (EPS). An offence is only committed if the deliberate disturbance would result in significant impacts to the EPS population. However, it should be noted that activities that cause low levels of disturbance to these species continue to constitute an offence under Section 9 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act (see below).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Species of wild fauna and flora as listed in Annex II, IV or V to the Habitats Directive.