For the attention of Mr. Mike Stranks

LOCATION: 145 Ferry Road, Hullbridge, Hockley, SS5 6ET PROPOSAL: Demolish existing buildings and construct part two storey, part three storey building containing 18 no. two bedroomed and 6 no. one bedroomed flats with access, parking to rear and amenity areas.

Thank you for consulting Natural England regarding the above proposals, in your letter received 22 February 2008.

Based on the information provided, Natural England has no objection to the proposed development in respect of legally protected bats, as the survey provided reports no evidence of bats within buildings marked for demolition, and consequently they are not considered likely to be adversely affected by the development proposals.

However, if any other information such as representations from other parties highlights the possible presence of other protected or BAP species, the local planning authority should request further survey information from the applicant before determining the application in line with paragraph 99 of Circular 06/2005. If the application is amended with this additional information, Natural England should be re-consulted for a further 21 days in accordance with Circular 08/2005.

If you would like to discuss the above further, please contact us again.

Yours faithfully

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