Earned Recognition Pilot for Bat Mitigation Licensing

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Using this site registration form, you can apply to use the Bat Earned Recognition Class Licence (WML-CL47). You should only submit this site registration form a maximum of twelve weeks prior to planned licensable activities.

This is not a notification process for persons wishing to rely on the 'Incidental Result Defence' derogation in the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended).

You may be required to provide various pieces of information and reference evidence for this site registration.

You must pay [redacted] (unless exempt) for a Bat ER Site Registration.
You will be able to pay by bank card, following a link.

If your site registration is subject to a Further Information Request (FIR), then you will be invoiced for the additional hours of assessment at [redacted]. You may not need to pay if the main purpose of the project is to preserve public health and safety, to conserve a bat roost in situ, for the conservation of a listed building or for a householder home improvement project.

Before continuing, see our Privacy Notice for how we use and share your data.

Note, Natural England will aim to determine the outcome of a completed site registration request within 15 working days. For some cases, that involve complex scenarios and/or roosts of high conservation importance, the determination period may be longer however NE will liaise at the earliest opportunity and provide indicative timescales.

Note, if you leave this application before completion, your progress will be saved for one week. After one week of inactivity, this application will close itself and you will need to complete a new one.

Qualtrics accessibility statement

REMINDER: Where you are submitting a modification or resubmission, at a minimum you MUST change Q3.2 to reflect this and answer any subsequent queries.

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Personal Details

1.1. Provide your personal details:

ER Registration Number (e.g. BER0999)	[redacted]
First name	[redacted]
Surname	[redacted]
Telephone/mobile number	[redacted]
Email address	[redacted]

1.2. Confirm your ER Accreditation Level, as per your signed Accreditation Certificate.

- (●) **AL1**
- ( ) AL2
- ( ) AL3

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1.3. Confirm the ER Licence Annexes you are registered to use as per your signed Accreditation Certificate.

Annex A

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Annex B

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Applicant, Site and Landowner Details

2.1. Applicant Details.

If the applicant is an organisation rather than an individual person, state the organisation name and contact details for an Appointed Person. The Appointed Person must be an employee of the organisation.

Applicant or Appointed Person Name	[redacted]
Applicant or Appointed Person Phone Number	[redacted]
Applicant or Appointed Person Email Address	[redacted]
Organisation Name (if applicable)	Graftongate

2.2. Site details

Site Name	RSPCA Headquarters
Site Address	Oakhurst Business Park, Wilberforce Way, Southwater, Horsham, Sussex
Postcode (if available)	RH13 9RS

8-figure grid reference from centre of application

site
(e.g. SP12341234)

TQ 1623 2765

2.3. Region

○ North West	○ West Midlands	○ South West
○ North East	○ East Midlands	◉ **South East**
○ Yorkshire and the Humber	○ East of England	○ London

2.3.1. County

○ Buckinghamshire	○ The Isle of Wight	○ Berkshire
○ East Sussex	○ Kent	○ Surrey
○ Hampshire	○ Oxfordshire	◉ **West Sussex**

2.4. Land owner details, if different to applicant details provided above.

Land owner name	Legal & General Property Partners (Industrial Fund) and Legal & General Property Partners (Industrial) Nominees Ltd
Land owner phone number	Matt Liley on behalf of L&G 02031242000
Land owner email address	[redacted]

Purpose

3.1. Provide a brief description of the proposal (e.g. Construction of a new road, maintenance of a bridge, construction of five flats with access and car parking).

The demolition of the existing building (office block) and the creation of a commercial development, to include the erection of three

B2/B8 buildings.

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3.2. What type of licence application is being submitted?

- When submitting a modification, you **must change the following:**
  - Your response to Q3.2
  - Add your reasoning for a modification to Q3.3.
  - Change all relevant sections of the Site Registration Form that require modification.
- When resubmitting your application, you **must change the following:**
  - Your response to Q3.2 to reflect the change in application type to a resubmission;
  - And respond to the further queries;
  - Change all aspects of the Site Registration Form that require further information.

Reminder

- (●) **New licence application**
- ( ) Resubmission of a previous licence application
- ( ) Modification of an existing licence

3.3. Why is a licence needed?

- Capture / Take and Transport (e.g. When bats could require handling).
- Disturb (e.g. When bats will be temporarily impacted by proposed actions).
- Damage breeding site (e.g. Where a breeding site is temporarily impacted and either reinstated un-changed or modified).
- Destroy breeding site (e.g. Where a breeding site is being completely removed or demolished)
- Damage resting place (e.g. Where a resting place is temporarily impacted and either reinstated un-changed or modified)
- Destroy resting place (e.g. Where a resting place is being completely removed or demolished).

Select the offences that would otherwise be committed.

- [x] **Capture / Take and Transport**
- [x] **Disturb**
- [ ] Damage breeding site
- [ ] Destroy breeding site
- [ ] Damage resting place
- [x] **Destroy resting place**

3.4. Confirm the purpose of the site registration request

Note that if you are applying under the PH&S Purpose you must be able to demonstrate that there is a genuine public and health and safety issue. Natural England will issue a Further Information Request in circumstances when the PH&S Purpose is not satisfactorily evidenced. Evidence should comprise a written report/assessment from a suitably qualified person involved in assessing PH&S risk to the public.
If more than one purpose applies, please select the main purpose.

- (●) **Imperative reasons of overriding public interest including those of a social or economic nature and beneficial consequences of primary importance for the environment under section 55(2)(e)**
- ( ) Preserving public health or public safety, under section 55(2)(e)

3.5. Confirm the category most appropriate to your proposed work

( ) Agriculture / Farming/ Fishing / Forestry/ Nature conservation	( ) Health and safety	( ) Places of worship
( ) Archaeological investigation	( ) Heritage/Historical (eg, National Trust, listed building, scheduled monument)	( ) Public buildings and land (eg, schools, universities, hospitals, care facilities, military, prisons)
( ) Barn conversion	( ) Householder home improvement (eg, loft conversion, extension, garage, conservatory, repairs)	( ) Tourism/leisure eg, golf courses, country parks, holiday camps
( ) Commercial - eg, office, retail	( ) Housing (non-householder) (eg, residential development, repairs/maintenance, non householders)	( ) Transport/Highways
( ) Communications	(●) **Industrial/Manufacturing**	( ) Water management
( ) Energy generation/Energy supply	( ) Mineral extraction/Quarrying	( ) Water supply and treatment/water environment

- ○ Flood and coastal defences
- ○ Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project
- ○ Other

Consent Type and Status

4.1. Confirm the consent type of the works subject to this site registration request.

- ◉ **Planning-related consent (e.g. Planning permission, listed building consent, etc)**
- ○ Demolition consent (under Building Act 1984) including prior notice to demolish.
- ○ Other type of consent (e.g. Minerals consents, Highway Act consents, Secretary of State Decision Letter, Compulsory Purchase Order, Environment Agency Consent, etc.)
- ○ Permitted Development (under Town and Country Planning Act 1990)
- ○ No consent required (e.g. Public Health and safety issues)

4.1.1. Provide details of the consent. Where relevant this should include the planning reference number and a webpage address to the application on the relevant LPA planning portal.

DC/22/2077 Horsham District Council https://public-access.horsham.gov.uk/public-access/simpleSearchResults.do?action=firstPage

4.2. What is the current consent status?

- ◉ **Consent granted**
- ○ Outline consent granted
- ○ Decision outstanding
- ○ Consent not required (e.g. Permitted Development)
- ○ Other

4.3. For all consents that have been granted, have all conditions or Reserved Matters relating to wildlife species and habitat issues (which are intended to be and are capable of being discharged before development begins) been discharged?

In most cases, we would expect all relevant conditions/reserved matters discharged in order to be able to provide the detail and certainty we require. If it is not possible or not intended for the conditions to be discharged before development commences, tick 'No' and you can provide justification in Q4.3.1.

- ○ Yes
- ◉ **No**

○ N/A

4.3.1. Licences are not typically issued without all conditions discharged, provide justification:

Condition 3 requires a CEMP to be produced that includes details of measures to reduce impacts on biodiversity features. This is in the process of being discharged. Conditions 4 and 5 also require copies of Natural England licences in relation to hazel dormice and bats, which will be provided to the LPA once obtained.

Protected Sites

5.1. Do the activities covered by this site registration request have potential to impact the following protected sites.

Yes, National Nature Reserve (NNR), Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) or, Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB).

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Yes, Special Protection Area (SPA), Special Area of Conservation (SAC) or Ramsar Site.

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No, protected sites are not impacted.

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Accreditation Level and Species

6.1. Do the proposed works affect a roost of high conservation significance?

This category includes maternity and hibernation sites of Annex II species, very large traditional maternity colonies of any species, hibernation sites used by significant numbers of bats of any species, Regionally and Nationally important roosts of any species, and sites meeting nationally and internationally designated site status. It also includes sites that have potential to qualify as a designated site for bats, as per the Biological SSSI Guidelines - Chapter 16 Mammals

No, the proposed work does not affect a roost of high conservation significance

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6.2. Will the proposed works affect roosts of high local importance? (e.g. roosts that are on the edge of the known geographic range for the species or a locally isolated population etc.)

Yes, the work will affect roosts of high local importance

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No, the work will not affect roosts of high local importance

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6.3. What accreditation level does this site registration request fall into? Guidance on Accreditation Levels and Species Annexes is available on the MS Teams Site for ER Consultants.

◉ **AL1**

6.3.1. Which species annex(es) apply?

Annex A

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Annex B

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6.4. Select the species covered by this site registration request

☐ Brown long-eared ☑ **Common pipistrelle** ☐ Soprano pipistrelle

Previous & Future Licence Applications

7.1. Is the site part of a larger development project? For example, is it part of a phased or multi-plot housing development that will require more than one bat licence? For AL2 and AL3 cases a separate masterplan will be required for phased or multi-plot developments.

Yes, the site is part of a larger development project

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No, the site is not part of a larger development project

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7.2. To your knowledge, and your client(s), have there been any previous bat applications/licence decisions or expected bat applications (in the last 5 years or next 5 years) concerning this site or other projects in the vicinity which may have significantly impacted or are likely to significantly impact on the same population/s of bats as this application (e.g. loss of maternity or hibernation roosts)?

Check the EPS 'Granted EPS Applications (England)' layer on theMAGIC website and consider consulting the LPA (where appropriate) to determine if there are any other significant projects that could affect the conservation status of the affected bat populations. Please keep a record of the work undertaken, in accordance with your Accreditation Certificate (6.6).

Yes, there have been previous or expected bat applications/licence decisions, which may impact on the same population of bats at this site or other projects in the vicinity

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No, there have not been previous or expected applications/licence decisions, which may impact on the same population of bats at this site or other projects in the vicinity

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7.3. Has the site received previous advice throughPSS or DAS? Or is this a modified Site Registration Request of a previously submitted case under WML-CL47?

Yes, the site has received previous advice from Natural England via PSS or DAS

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No, the site did not recieve previous advice from Natural England via PSS or DAS

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8A.1. Do the proposed works fall within one of the following categories?
Applications for home improvements and small scale housing developments:

- Repairs and maintenance
- Roof replacements, loft conversions and extensions
- Renovations of existing domestic dwellings and associated structures, such as garages
- Housing developments of less than 1 hectare, including: (1) existing buildings and associated structures that may need to be demolished before redevelopment takes place (whether domestic dwellings or other types of buildings), or (2) barn conversions for domestic dwellings (this doesn't include conversions for commercial use, such as holiday lets)

Applications to conserve and protect listed buildings, scheduled monuments or places of

worship:

- listed buildings
- scheduled monuments
- registered places of worship or a place of worship belonging to the Church of England
- For: repairs and maintenance (including roof replacement); restoration; essential works to prevent serious damage to buildings and structures (including contents); preserve public health and safety; or enable continued appropriate use of the building or structure

Applications to maintain, repair, improve public buildings or develop public land:

- Public buildings and public land includes buildings and land owned or leased by the government, their departments, agencies and arm's length bodies, such as: Schools (state funded and academies only); Hospitals; Prisons; Courts; and, Airfields.

Caveat: The above categories can only be selected where bats and their roosts will be affected by either:
(i) Repairs and maintenance;
(ii) Restoration;
(iii) Renovation;
(iv) Redevelopment of an existing building(s), which may include demolition before redevelopment, as long as it remains in use as a public building;
(v) Extending or adding new buildings within the grounds of the existing developed site;
(vi) Essential works to: (a) prevent serious damage to buildings (including contents); (b) preserve public health and safety, or; (c) Allow the building to be continued to be used as it was intended.

The above categories cannot be selected where proposals involve:
(i) Extending public buildings beyond existing boundaries, changing them to private use, or developing land for private use.

- ○ For Home improvements and small scale housing developments
- ○ To conserve and protect listed buildings, scheduled monuments or places of worship
- ○ To maintain, repair or improve public buildings or develop public land
- ◉ **None of the above**

8B.1. What is the objective of the activity (i.e. the 'need')?
It is important to clearly describe the specific problem or situation which needs to be addressed.

The Site is allocated in the Horsham District Planning Framework (2015) for employment. It is required to meet the employment land requirements of the district, delivering significant long-term economic benefits to the area through the logistics market.

8B.2. Detail how the proposal meets the purpose you selected in Q3.3

We require information to demonstrate that the proposal will deliver a public benefit, rather than solely a private interest, that the benefits of the proposal override any harm to the protected species and whether the primary benefit of the proposal provides a social, economic or environmental benefit. The

test is applied proportionately, so the information required to meet this test will need to be sufficient to justify the impact upon the protected species. Where possible, explain the scale of the primary and secondary benefits that will be achieved from your proposal, in quantifiable terms, as indicated above. For example, this could be the number of new houses provided in proportion to the identified need (including the number of affordable units) at a local and regional scale.

Please check the relevant local planning policies to see if these can support your application, and if so, refer to supporting statements (for example, there might be a policy setting out local housing needs or the importance of maximising use of existing housing stock to avoid impacts on Green Belt land). State the planning policy where appropriate.

The site is located within the built-up area of Southwater, adjacent to, but outside of, the current Oakhurst Business Park key employment area designation. It has been identified as a prime location for logistics, being 12 miles from the M23 and within the existing industrial estate. It will strengthen the existing employment opportunities within the Business Park and provide a high-quality precedent to encourage further investment locally. It will deliver job opportunities for local people almost immediately and economic benefits for the district. The emerging local plan proposes to extend the boundary of the Oakhurst Business Park to include this site, as it identifies a shortage of business floorspace and high-quality spaces within the district to bring opportunities for residents to work locally, reducing commuting distances and reducing carbon emissions.

8B.3. Regulation 55(9)(a): The 'No Satisfactory Alternative' test
Please explain why there are no satisfactory alternatives to the proposal that would deliver the stated 'need', but which would have less of an impact on the species in question.

You need to consider things such as **alternative sites, designs, scheme layout** and also explain why the `**do nothing**' option is not viable.

Keep for your own records Environmental Statements, photographs and location plans, appropriately referenced, as evidence to support your statement. This may be asked for by Natural England. See the guidance on "Assessing the `No Satisfactory Alternative' test".

See Government Guidance on the 3 licensing tests, particularly paras 136-139:

Please use a different line for each alternative assessed. Use 'n/a' where a text entries are not applicable.

	Please describe each alternative considered Answer 1	Will these resolve the problem or specific need for which the licence is sought? If not, why? Answer 2
Do nothing	The current building is not fit for purpose and disused	No, the site is required for employment and is a prime location for logistics, which cannot be accommodated in the current disused building
Alternative sites	This site is allocated and adjacent to the existing business park, in a prime location for logistics. Alternative sites would not be appropriate	No, the site is allocated due to its location and alternative sites would not benefit from the road and rail links and the existing business park location
Alternative design	The scheme requires the demolition of the building, which cannot be made fit for the logistics purpose. Therefore, no alternatives with less impact on bats, were considered	No, the building must be demolished and the licence will therefore be required
Scheme Layout	All versions of the scheme layout require demolition of the existing building and loss of the roosting location, as this building currently dominates the site	No, the roost will be lost to demolition with any layout due to the size of the existing building and constraints of the site
Other (e.g. construction		

method)	N/A	N/A
N/A	Please describe each alternative considered	Will these resolve the problem or specific need for which the licence is sought? If not, why?
Other		
N/A	Answer 1 N/A	Answer 2 N/A

	Are there any feasible alternatives that would have less impact on the protected species than the proposed solution? If not, why?
	Answer 3
Do nothing	No, the buildings cannot be changed sufficiently to meet the logistics and employment need
Alternative sites	No, there are no other sites identified and other sites may have a greater impact on biodiversity
Alternative design	The demolition of the building is required but, given the low level of bat use, no impacts to the FCS of bats are anticipated
Scheme Layout	The building cannot be retained and no feasible alternatives exist
Other (e.g. construction method)	N/A
N/A	
Other	N/A
N/A	

Survey Overview

9.1. Confirm the survey methods used at the site.

- [x] **Emergence**
- [x] **Infra-red imaging cameras**
- [ ] Mist netting
- [x] **Dawn re-entry**
- [ ] Thermal imaging cameras
- [ ] Radio tracking
- [ ] Back tracking
- [ ] Hand netting
- [ ] Aerial inspection (e.g. tree climbing, use of Mobile Elevated Work Platform (MEWP))
- [ ] **Internal/external**
- [ ] Harp trapping
- [ ] DNA Analysis

inspections

- [ ] Static audio devices during hibernation period
- [ ] Static audio devices during typical bat active period
- [ ] Other

9.2 Are there features of **moderate or high** suitable for hibernation roosts?

- [ ] Yes, there are suitable features for hibernation roosts
- [x] **No, there are not suitable features for hibernation roosts**

9.3. Have non-standard approaches to surveys been undertaken? (e.g. novel / un-tested approaches)

- [ ] Yes, non standard approaches to surveys have been undertaken
- [x] **No, non standard approaches to surveys have not been undertaken**

9.4. Have surveys been carried out to a suitable level to identify buildings, structures or trees with bat potential and the species of bats and type of roosts likely to be present?

To confirm 'Yes', the surveys must be undertaken in accordance with the current versions of the Bat Conservation Trust (BCT) Bat Surveys for Professional Ecologists – Good Practice Guidelines and the Bat Mitigation Guidelines. Surveys must be up to date and have been conducted within the current or most recent optimal season. Surveys must be tailored to each site, take account of the complexity of the structures, trees or habitats involved and potential usage by bats throughout the year. Where a site/structure/tree has demonstrable hibernation potential appropriate surveys must be carried out.

- [x] **Yes, surveys have been carried out in accordance with Accreditation Certificate conditions**

No, surveys have not be completed in accordance with Accreditation Certificate conditions.

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No, Licensing Policy 4 (LP4) is being applied

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9.5. Provide a brief ecological justification as to why the surveys undertaken have appropriately identified and characterised all roosts on site.
This should include consideration of all roost types, including hibernation roosts. If you have stated there are hibernation features but hibernation surveys have not been carried out, provide justification here.

Dusk emergence and dawn re-entry surveys were carried out in June and July 2023 and an updated survey in June 2024. Transect surveys of the wider site, which included identification of the bat roost, were carried out in August, September and October 2022. Surveys have therefore spanned the key months of the bat active season, with all surveys undertaken in optimal weather conditions. Sufficient survey effort has therefore been undertaken to ensure any potential roosts have been recorded and repeated surveys in different months have ensure characterisation. No hibernation potential was identified.

9.6. Is LP4 (Alternative sources of evidence to reduce standard survey requirements) being applied?

Natural England will be expected to ensure that licensing decisions are properly supported by survey information, taking into account industry standards and guidelines. We may however accept a lower than standard survey effort where all the following apply:

- costs or delays associated with carrying out standard survey requirements would be disproportionate to the additional certainty that it would bring
- ecological impacts of development can be predicted with sufficient certainty
- mitigation or compensation will ensure that the licensed activity does not detrimentally affect the conservation status of local population of any EPS

You can use this policy to reduce the need for survey data. Instead, you'll need to use other sources of information to provide confidence for your approach.

Yes, LP4 is being applied

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No, LP4 is not being applied

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9.7. Confirm that either the ER Consultant registering this site has visited the site within the last 3 months and/or the ER Consultant is satisfied in their knowledge of the site and its use by bats.

By ticking 'Yes, I confirm', you are confirming that conditions on site have not changed within the last 3 months.

Note that we would expect an ER Consultant to have a detailed understanding of the site and its use by bats; this would typically be gained from visiting the site however where this is not possible, it is up to the ER Consultant to be satisfied in their knowledge and justify how they gained their understanding of the site if this is questioned.

Yes, I confirm

(●)

No

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11a.1 Are you impacting more than 50 roosts?

Reminder

Yes

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No

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11a.2. **Total number of roosts covered by licensable activities.**

Provide the total number of roosts covered by licensableactivities.

You can go to the next page, where the number of roosts will repeat by page, so you can fill in the information about each individual roost.
Reminder: AL1 site registrations is limited to 7 roosts in total and AL2 limited to 11 roosts in total.

Defining roosts and numbers of roosts:

- A single bat roost is a discrete physical space used by one or more individuals of the same bat species for one ecological function (defined by roost type). This is not limited by size; it can possess just one or innumerable bat roost positions. Bats typically move around within a roost to utilise various roost positions with optimal microclimate conditions; these positions are not different roosts.

- Although a built structure or a certain part of a structure may be a definable physical feature, e.g. a roof, this is not synonymous with a bat roost. A building or a roof may support one or multiple bat roosts.
- Each discrete physical space within the fabric of, e.g. a roof, particularly if only linked via the outdoors, is a crevice roost.

For licensing purposes, a single discrete physical space can be regarded as greater than one roost if used by:
- more than one bat species
- the same bat species but for different ecological function, e.g. it is a maternity roost and a hibernation roost

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Impacts, Mitigation and Compensation
11.1 Roost 1 of 1

Unique Roost Reference Number / Name: Roost 1

Grid Reference for roost (10 Figure): TQ 16176 27611

11.2. Roost Type

- ○ Feeding roost
- ○ Day roost
- ◉ **Transitional roost**
- ○ Night roost

11.3. Species

11.4. Enter the peak count (highest number indicated in any one survey for structure or tree).

1

11.5. Location of roost.

- ○ Under hanging tile / slate
- ○ Associated with fascias
- ○ Within a cellar

slate | fascias | cellar

- ○ Under roof tile / slate
- ○ Under lead flashing (or equivalent)
- ○ Above door or window lintel
- ○ Within a wall
- ○ Gap under felt
- ○ Gap at top of gable wall
- ○ Under peeled paintwork or lifted rendering
- ○ Within a loft void
- ○ Gap associated with chimney
- ○ Under weatherboarding
- ○ Within existing bat box
- ○ Within a tree
- ○ Under eaves
- ○ Gap within brickwork or stonework
- ○ Within a cave or underground natural structure
- ○ Associated with a soffit box
- ○ Associated with window area (sill/panes/surround)
- ◉ **Other**

Beneath an area of metal cladding

11.6. Number of access points

- ◉ **1**
- ○ 2
- ○ 3
- ○ 4
- ○ 5
- ○ More than 5
- ○ Not Known

11.7. Impact - select the **highest** impact for the roost

- ○ Temporary loss *(e.g. where access will be temporarily excluded or obstructed but nothing is being altered to the roost dimensions, access point(s) and materials)*
- ○ Temporary damage *(e.g. where a roost will be temporarily impacted but reinstated in same location following licensable works with like-for-like roost dimensions, access point(s) and materials)*
- ◉ **Permanent destruction *(e.g. where a roost will be completely removed or demolished, and there is no intention of replacing it in the exact same place un-changed).***
- ○ Permanent damage *(e.g. where a roost is being permanently altered/modified but will remain functional following licensable works)*
- ○ Disturbance only *(e.g. where works are being done outside of the hibernation period and the roost will not be materially affected but bats could be present)*

○ Other

11.11. Proposed compensation

Only select the permanent compensation measure that will be implemented Do not include temporary alternative roost(s) and/or enhancements not required by Minimum Expectations.

Do not include enhancements not directly compensating for impacts. Reminder

- [x] **N/A - None proposed or not required**
- [ ] Habitat reinstatement / roost retention (for temporary impacts)
- [ ] Like-for-like roost creation
- [ ] Provision of new foraging or commuting habitat
- [ ] Heated bat box
- [ ] Tree veteranisation
- [ ] Bat box
- [ ] Greenbridge
- [ ] Bat tile/brick/tube
- [ ] Underpass
- [ ] Creation of new crevices
- [ ] Bat loft / void
- [ ] Creation of new access point(s)
- [ ] Other

Mitigation and Compensation Summary

12.1. Provide a summary of the mitigation and compensation measures and why they will be effective at maintaining FCS for the site's / local population, for the species concerned.

None required - only one roost, with one bat, using the roost on one occasion during multiple survey visits, will be lost and no impacts to FCS.

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12.2. Confirm whether you propose non-standard mitigation and compensation measures. Non-standard is intended to include measures that deviate from industry best practice guidelines. For example, the use of light, noise and/or vibration to exclude bats.

Standard measures proposed

Standard measures proposed

- [x]

Non-standard measures proposed

- [ ]

12.3. Are Non-Bitumen Coated Roofing Membranes (NBCRM), formerly Breathable Roofing Membranes (BRMs) being proposed, or within, an area accessible to bats which is covered by this Site Registration?
If you plan to prevent bats accessing the NBCRM (e.g. through installation of a suitable mesh or boarding) you should tick 'no' but ensure any impacts of this work on bats/roosts (including modification of roosts) are included in this Site Registration Request Form under Section 11.

- [ ] Yes, NBCRMs are either already present or are being proposed
- [x] **No, NBCRM is not present or accessible to bats in the area covered by this Site Registration Request**

12.4 Do compensation proposals meet minimum requirements? Guidance is provided on MS Teams (Bat ER Pilot) to assist with answering this question.

Yes

- [x]

No

- [ ]

Post-impact activities
13.1. Post impact population monitoring – are minimum expectations being met as per the mitigation and compensation guidance (Bat ER (Pilot) Minimum Expectations (CL47Guidance02))?

Yes, monitoring proposed

- [ ]

Yes, monitoring not required

- [x]

No

- [ ]

13.4. Explain how all post-development works (management, maintenance (including remedial action) and monitoring, as appropriate) will be ensured?

Include a commitment that the monitoring, habitat management and maintenance work will be undertaken. Mechanism/s for ensuring delivery must be in place before registering a site.

None required

Licensable Works Summary

14.1. State the maximum number(s) of individual bats of each species at each resting place and/or breeding site (roost), that will be subject to **capture, transport and/or disturbance** at the time the works are to be undertaken. If LP4 is being applied, provide the estimated number. This may be different to the number of bats using the roost at its optimum time as timings for works will be at a time when bats are least likely to be present.
Please enter '0' rather than leaving blank.

Common pipistrelle	1

14.2. State the maximum number(s) of **roost(s) that will be damage**d, but not destroyed, at the time the works are to be undertaken.
If LP4 is being applied, provide the estimated number.
Enter '0' rather than leaving blank.

Common pipistrelle	0

14.3. State the maximum number(s) of **roosts that will be destroyed** for each bat species.
If LP4 is being applied, provide the estimated number.
Enter '0' rather than leaving blank.

Common pipistrelle	1

Licence Period

15.1. Proposed start date of licensable action (the format must be: dd/mm/yyyy). This cannot be retrospective and must be at least 15 working days from date of submission (note that we may issue a decision earlier than this date and will, if appropriate, use an earlier start date):

02/09/2024

15.2. Proposed end date to cover period of any post-impact monitoring. (dd/mm/yyyy)

A minimum 2 year registration period is advised for all site registration requests.

Licence end dates are expected to cover a minimum period of 5 years for bat boxes provided as compensation or 10 years for higher impact work (e.g. bat lofts provided as compensation).

If compensation is proposed but not expected within the Bat ER Minimum Expectations (CL47Guidance02), the licence end date does not need to extend to the 5/10 year period stated above, it should only cover the minimum 2 year registration period.

02/09/2026

15.3. On approximately what date will the highest impact occur under this Site Registration? (dd/mm/yyyy)

02/09/2024

Payment information

Payment: Is there a charge for your site registration?

This site registration costs [redacted]

However, you may not need to pay if the main purpose of the project is:

- to preserve public health and safety
- to conserve a bat roost in situ,
- for the conservation of a listed building
- for a householder home improvement project.

Your answers must be the same as questions Q3.5, Q4.1 and Q4.2, and 8A.1

If you are applying under the purpose of conserving a bat roost in situ, you must provide evidence of this as a supplementary document.

You can upload the supplementary document in section 17.

I have read and understood the terms and conditions for payment (opens in new window) in respect of an existing wildlife licence and agree to pay relevant charges

- [x] **Yes, I have read and understood the terms and conditions for payment**

16.1 The **main** purpose of my site registration is:

- [x] **None of the options below - for example, to enable a development or construction project**
- [ ] To preserve public health or public safety - but not for imperative reasons of overriding public interest of a social or economic nature
- [ ] To conserve a bat roost in situ - where the roost will not be altered
- [ ] For the conservation of a historic building
- [ ] For a householder home improvement project to a single home (such as an extension, a garage, or a cart port, a wall or fence)

You must pay [redacted] We will refund you if your licence is not issued.

If your site registration is subject to a Further Information Request (FIR), then you will be invoiced for the additional hours of assessment at [redacted]

What type of licence will you be paying for?

- [x] **New application**
- [ ] Modification or Resubmission

Payment bank card link:

Pay for your class licence site registration (Opens in new window) of [redacted]

You must return to this form to complete and submit it once you have paid. You will need your payment reference number.

Provide your payment reference number

[redacted]

17.1. Proceed to next question or you may upload a supplementary document.

We will only accept supplementary documents where they are specifically requested by Natural England and/or you are providing a supplementary document requested within the Site Registration Form (e.g. evidence of conserving a bat roost in situ)".