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By email only: Planning Department, planning@horsham.gov.uk

Thank you for requesting advice on this application from Place Services' ecological advice service. This service provides advice to planning officers to inform Horsham District Council planning decisions with regard to potential ecological impacts from development. Any additional information, queries or comments on this advice that the applicant or other interested parties may have, must be directed to the Planning Officer who will seek further advice from us where appropriate and necessary.

Application: DC/25/0974
Location: Whitebreads Farm Stane Street Slinfold West Sussex RH13 0RE
Proposal: Variation of Condition 4 of previously approved application DC/22/1841 (Extension to hardstanding area and change of use of land for storage of scaffolding (Retrospective)) to allow rack storage to not exceed a total height of 5.5m.

Thank you for consulting Place Services on the above variation of condition application.

No ecological objection	☒
No ecological objection subject to attached conditions	☐
Further information required/Temporary holding objection	☐
Recommend Refusal	☐
Subject to Natural England's formal comments on the conclusion of the LPA's Appropriate Assessment	☐

Summary

We have reviewed the submitted documents, including the cover letter. Condition 4 is a regulatory condition and states the following "*The use of the site shall be limited to scaffolding storage only. Any racks stored or stacked in this area shall not exceed a total height of 3m*." The proposed variation is to alter the wording, so that the total height is 5.5m. We do not consider that the variation of the allowed total height of the racks or stacked materials will have any further impacts on ecology.

We have no further comments on this variation of condition application. Remaining conditions relating to ecology for this consented development should be retained.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries in relation to this advice.

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Place Services provide ecological advice on behalf of Horsham District Council.

Please note: This letter is advisory and should only be considered as the opinion formed by specialist staff in relation to this particular matter.