

**BIODIVERSITY PLAN**



- This Biodiversity Plan is only valid with a NET signed Certificate of Approval related to this Biodiversity Plan
- This Biodiversity Plan is solely for use for planning applications falling under the Dorset Biodiversity Appraisal Protocol
- Please read the published guidance ‘Dorset Biodiversity Appraisal Protocol for consultants’ for completing this Biodiversity Plan visit Biodiversity Appraisal in Dorset - Dorset Council
- Please complete all sections within this form relevant to the application. Please do not delete or alter sections of this form. Use a continuation sheet if necessary. Any forms submitted with incomplete information will be returned

**SECTION A: Planning Application Details**

Planning authority	Planning Officer (if known)	Application ref. (if known)	Outline	Full	Hybrid	Planning decision (NET use only)
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

**Proposed development** (provide a brief description of the proposed development stating area in hectares where appropriate)

<b>Number of new units</b>		<b>Grid reference</b>	
<b>Site address</b>		<b>Post code</b>	
<b>Ecological consultant name</b>		<b>Ecological consultancy name</b>	

**SECTION B: Details of all Biodiversity Features Affected**

Protected species / BAP interests	Habitat feature (e.g. sett, pond, hedgerow, roof void, tree roost)	Type of bat roost (e.g. maternity, summer, hibernation, historic)	Population estimate and status (High, Medium, Low or Unknown)

<b>Worst-case scenario for bats</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>DERC search</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>n/a</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>SNCI (within 1km)</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
Worst-case scenario for bats only justification statement: state level of impact and level of potential. Outline implications from delay for the application.									
<b>List the relevant reports</b> (include all reports and dates of the survey(s))									
<b>SECTION C and D are for bats only</b>									
<b>SECTION C: Details of the Existing Bat Roost(s) and/or Feature(s)</b>									
<b>Roost type</b> e.g. roof void, cavity, tree						<b>Foraging / commuting habitat</b>	<b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Roost dimensions (m)</b>	<b>Void width</b>			<b>Void length</b>			<b>Void height (at apex)</b>		
<b>Roof aspect</b>	<b>N / S</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>NE / SW</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>E / W</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>SE / NW</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>SECTION D: Summary of Mitigation Measures (Please provide net gain measures in Section H)</b>									
<b>Type of mitigation</b>									
<b>Permanent replacement</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Modified roost</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Temporary replacement roost</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Bat boxes / bricks</b>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Timing of works to roost</b> (please specify when works will take place by calendar month)									
<b>When works to existing roost will take place</b>									
<b>Completion of temporary roost provision (if applicable)</b>									
<b>Completion of permanent roost (if applicable)</b>									
<b>EPS Licence required</b>			<b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Low impact class licence</b>		<b>Yes</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>No</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Description of alternative temporary replacement roost</b> (include position e.g. existing building, new structure, tree)									
<b>Temporary roost type</b> e.g. bat box									
<b>Temporary roost void dimensions(m)</b>	<b>Void width</b>			<b>Void length</b>			<b>Void height (at apex)</b>		

Roof aspect	N / S	<input type="checkbox"/>	NE / SW	<input type="checkbox"/>	E / W	<input type="checkbox"/>	SE / NW	<input type="checkbox"/>
Make of bat box			How many	Position				

**Details of permanent roost**

Replacement roost type e.g. roof void, bat box								
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Replacement roost void dimensions(m)	Void width	Void length			Void height (at apex)			
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Roof aspect	N / S	<input type="checkbox"/>	NE / SW	<input type="checkbox"/>	E / W	<input type="checkbox"/>	SE / NW	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Make of bat box / brick to be installed			Number	Make of bat box / brick to be installed			Number

**Details of mitigation only** (include foraging habitat, method statement, monitoring/compliance & description of bat roost features. Include: a plan showing locations of access point(s), bat bricks/boxes, internal roosting features).  
**Note: Ensure measurable net gain is placed in Section H.**

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**Sections E and F are for all other protected species (other than bats) and habitats**

**SECTION E: Summary of Mitigation Measures (Please provide net gain measures in Section H)**

<b>Type of mitigation</b>								
Avoidance of harm through best practice	<input type="checkbox"/>	Measures to deter individuals from location			<input type="checkbox"/>	Capture and translocation of individuals		<input type="checkbox"/>
Controlled destruction of place of shelter / breeding site	<input type="checkbox"/>	Replacement of place of shelter / breeding site			<input type="checkbox"/>	Habitat enhancement measures		<input type="checkbox"/>
EPS/NE Licence required	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Low impact class licence	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	GCN DLL	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

**SECTION F: Detail Mitigation Measures & Method Statement Details (Please provide net gain measures in Section H)**

List and quantify all mitigation features that must be applied to mitigate impacts to protected species and habitats and that will form a permanent part of the new development (e.g. number of bird boxes, length of native hedge planting, number or area of ponds).  
**Note: Please ensure long-term management plans for habitats such as hedgerows are referenced here.**

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## Checklist

- Ensure your Biodiversity Plan is complete
- All relevant ecology reports are submitted (unless agreed otherwise with the Natural Environment Team prior to submission)
- Submit all necessary documentation to [net@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:net@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk)
- Make the payment when submitting your Biodiversity Plan. For charges & payment methods visit [How does the Biodiversity Appraisal process work? - Dorset Council](#)
- Where ecological consultants sign this form on behalf of the applicant, the applicant is not obliged to engage that consultant for further work.