Hi Margaret –

Hope you had a good weekend.

Would you be able to redact this e-mail chain and add to Mastergov as a further response from the Ecologist.

Thanks,

Colin

From: Gill Thompson Sent: 25 November 2020 14:37 To: Colin Godfrey Subject: RE: 20NP0073LBC Holystone Grange

Colin,

Thanks for this information I am happy that this is in line with the bat report and I have no further comments or objections

Regards,

Gill

From: Colin Godfrey Sent: 19 October 2020 07:06 To: Gill Thompson Subject: FW: 20NP0073LBC Holystone Grange

Hi Gill,

The applicant has provided some additional comments in light of your response regarding the above. I am out on site some of today but happy to discuss.

Thanks,

Colin

From: Darren Whitfield Sent: 16 October 2020 11:42 To: Colin Godfrey Cc: Nigel Aiken Subject: RE: 20NP0073LBC Holystone Grange

Hi Colin,

With reference to your email of 15<sup>th</sup> October, copied below, I can confirm the following in response to the comments from the NNPA Ecologist:-

- No repointing works have been undertaken on the (East) Front Elevation of the Garden Room. Please find attached photographs of this elevation taken earlier today which you can zoom in to see the sand cement pointing.
- The repointing of the remainder of the building with lime mortar was carried out between May July 2020, outside of the bat hibernation period.
- The Garden Room has a flat roof and no breathable membrane was used.

Please can you confirm receipt of this email.

Kind regards,

Darren

Darren Whitfield Director



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From: Colin Godfrey
Sent: 15 October 2020 12:14

## To: Darren Whitfield Subject: 20NP0073LBC Holystone Grange

Dear Darren

I refer to the above application.

I have now received comments from the NNPA Ecologist. The Ecologist has noted that according to the application form, all of the works were completed by the 15<sup>th</sup> July 2020, i.e. before / during the time the June / July 2020 bat surveys were being undertaken.

The 2018 bat survey did however record a common pipistrelle emerging from the west eaves of the garden room.

In C1.1 (Section 2) of the Bat report, it states that 'Bat roosts identified in the log store and garden room will remain as at present. Also no repointing will be carried out behind the pillars (of the Garden Room)'

The Ecologist is seeking confirmation / evidence that no repointing has taken place (i.e. though the provision of photos / supporting statement). The Ecologist has also made further comments which I have copied in full below:

The report stated that no pointing works should be carried out in the hibernation period as bats could be entombed – I am not sure when the re-pointing with lime mortar took place, but it has been carried out now according to the details supplied. Also that no breathable membrane should be used in places where bats could access. I am also unsure whether the correct membrane was used or any in the vicinity of the roost.

Since this is retrospective and the work has been carried out I am uncertain as to how we proceed. If they can confirm that these measures and precautions were carried out and provide some evidence I will have no further comments. If not, a bat roost will have been lost and we will have to consider the next steps. Providing some alternative roost sites may be a start, but I may have to consider further.

I would be grateful if you could provide information to address the points raised by the Ecologist at your earliest convenience. I am still awaiting comments from the NCC Historic Buildings Advisor but will be back in touch once they are received.

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Regards,

Colin

Colin Godfrey, Planning Officer Telephone:

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## Gill Thompson, Ecologist



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