

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 03/08/2026 12:13 PM from Mr Cirdec Atkinson.

Application Summary

Address: Land And Barns New Salts Farm New Salts Farm Road Lancing West Sussex

Proposal: New development comprising the erection of 10 no. dwellings following the demolition of existing agricultural barns

Case Officer: Giles Holbrook

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Customer Details

Name: Mr Cirdec Atkinson

Email:

Address:

Comments Details

Commenter Type: Member of the Public

Stance: Customer made comments in support of the Planning Application

Reasons for comment: - Other

Comments: reviewing the ecological reports submitted with the planning documents, it is clear that this development has been approached in a responsible and environmentally positive way. The Preliminary Ecological Appraisal shows that the existing site is of relatively low ecological value. The barns and hardstanding dominate the land, and the ecologists confirm that the buildings have "negligible

suitability for roosting bats", with no evidence of other protected species. This gives confidence that redeveloping the site will not harm sensitive wildlife.

What stands out most is the scale of ecological improvement that will be delivered. The Biodiversity Net Gain assessment demonstrates that the proposals can achieve a 69.23% net gain in habitat units, far above the mandatory 10% requirement. For a small site, this represents a substantial uplift in ecological value.

The PEA also confirms that impacts on nearby designated sites, including the Adur Estuary SSSI, can be fully mitigated through standard pollution controls and a well-designed drainage strategy. This is an important reassurance given the sensitive habitats in the wider area.

From a planning perspective, this is exactly the type of site where new homes should be delivered. Overall, the ecological evidence shows that this development will replace low value habitat with a significantly improved landscape that benefits wildlife and the local environment. For these reasons, I am supportive of the application.
