

PLANNING REF : 252769
PROPERTY ADDRESS : 97 Falconhurst Road
: Birmingham
: B29 6SB
SUBMITTED BY : Mr John Davison
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COMMENTS:

If your authority intends to grant permission for this planning application, I recommend you make installation of a minimum of 1 swift brick per dwelling a planning condition to provide enhancement for biodiversity.

This would align with the aspiration 'Homes for Nature' that also seeks corridors friendly to hedgehogs and other wildlife enhancement (hence response at this stage).

Designing for and installing Swift bricks into the fabric of the new building during the construction phase is easy, inexpensive, and will last the life-time of the building. In new residential developments, a minimum overall ratio of one cavity per dwelling should be provided and ideally 2-4 nest chambers should be provided per suitable house.

Swift bricks should be positioned approximately 0.5-1m apart, close to the eaves or barge boards of gable ends, away from doors and windows. They must be installed with at least 5m clearance above ground and with a similar clear flight path in front. Ensure trees will not impede flight lines, including any new landscaping that may do so when mature. Orientation is not critical as internal nest bricks are better protected against extremes of temperature than an external box.