

MEMORANDUM

From:	Tina Cuss Ecology Officer		
Service	WBC Ecology	App No:	260443
Address:	26 Old Bath Road, Sonning, Wokingham, RG4 6TA.		
Proposal:	Householder application for the proposed erection of a single storey side and part single part two storey rear extension following demolition of an existing single storey element, plus changes to fenestration.		
Type of Development:	Other Householder		
Site Visit Made:	Yes/No		

Summary Of Recommendations	
☐ No comment ☐ No objection ☐ No objection subject to conditions (and reasons) stated below ☒ Request further information before determination as stated below ☐ Objection due to the reason(s) stated below	
Comments On Proposal	
I have read the Preliminary Roost Assessment submitted in support of the application. Access and visibility in parts of the loft space were limited, so absence of evidence cannot be considered conclusive. Several features were identified that could provide roosting opportunities for crevice-dwelling bats. These include gaps beneath roof tiles on the southeastern and northwestern elevations, lifted roof tiles and gaps in lead flashing around the chimney, and voids beneath hanging tiles on the northwest elevation. These features may provide access to sheltered crevices or internal voids that could support bat roosts. I support the conclusion dusk emergence surveys undertake between May and August are needed to rule out or confirm presence and secure mitigation proposals.	
Conditions & Reasons (if required)	
Awaiting bat emergence surveys.	
Date:	15/04/26
Signed:	T Cuss