

PLANNING REF : 252498
PROPERTY ADDRESS : Beaumont
: Wyndham Road
: SP1 3AA
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COMMENTS:

Inclusion of integrated Swift/Universal bricks in line with National Planning Guidance, i.e. at least one per dwelling on average. The National Planning Practice Guidance (see 017 Reference ID: 8-017-20250609 How can developments incorporate features which support priority or threatened species?) states:

"The National Planning Policy Framework expects development proposals to bolster wildlife by incorporating features which support priority or threatened species such as swifts, bats and hedgehogs.

The use of swift bricks is particularly important in this context because swifts rely on urban cavities for nesting, and the national loss of suitable nesting sites through building renovation has been part of the reason for the species' decline. Developments should include integrated nest boxes (commonly known as swift bricks) where possible, with the general aim across a development of a minimum of one nest box per unit. Nest boxes can provide important habitat for other species as well as swifts, such as starlings and sparrows.

Extensive guidance is available on wildlife friendly features, including the National Design Guide and National Model Design Code which illustrate how well-designed places can support rich and varied biodiversity by facilitating habitats and routes for wildlife. More specific support for the selection and installation of swift bricks can be found in the British Industry Standard BS 42021:2022 the Future Homes Hub Homes for Nature Guidance, and the RSPB's Guide to Nestboxes.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/natural-environment>".