Daniel Simpson (Housing)

Subject: FW: Bat Derogation License - Harpers Island Cork

From: Housing wildlifelicence < wildlifelicence@npws.gov.ie >

Sent: Thursday 21 November 2024 07:34

To: Daniel Simpson (Housing) < <u>Daniel.Simpson@npws.gov.ie</u>> **Subject:** FW: Bat Derogation License - Harpers Island Cork

From: Sharon Casey < Sharon.Casey@CorkCoCo.ie > Sent: Wednesday 20 November 2024 17:00

To: Housing wildlifelicence < <u>wildlifelicence@npws.gov.ie</u>> **Subject:** RE: Bat Derogation License - Harpers Island Cork

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Hi Dan,

The bat box to which this application relates is located on a tree which forms part of a treeline located immediately adjacent to the Cork-Cobh railway line which bounds Harpers Island. There is a safety issue with the trees which are overmature, given their location along the railway line to one side and adjoining a public walkway to the other. I am advised by the Area Engineer that the trees have to be removed to prevent any risk of the trees or limbs falling onto either the active line or the public walkway. The alternative to this (retaining the trees) poses a significant safety risk to the railway line and to the public. It is intended to replace the non-native line of trees with a native hedgerow which will have benefits for biodiversity generally including bats. The hedgerow will be managed so that it does not become a safety risk in the future.

The bat box is proposed to be removed to another nearby tree within the orchard area of the old farm-house complex.

Hopefully this is sufficient information for you, please come back if you require more?

Regards

Sharon

From: Housing wildlifelicence <wildlifelicence@npws.gov.ie>

Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2024 3:20 PM **To:** Sharon Casey < Sharon. Casey @ CorkCoCo.ie>

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Hi Sharon,

Thank you for your application.

Currently there are no suitable alternatives mentioned in the report as per Q11 in the application form. If you can get those back to me, whether in the report or within the thread of this email, I can forward such onto regional staff for assessment.

A guide to what information is required in the report can be viewed on the below pdf file: strict-protection-of-certain-animal-and-plant-species.pdf (npws.ie)

Anything I can do to help, please let me know

Dan Simpson

Wildlife Licencing Unit

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Sent: Tuesday 12 November 2024 09:46

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From: Sharon Casey < Sharon.Casey@CorkCoCo.ie >

Sent: Tuesday 12 November 2024 09:31

To: Housing wildlifelicence < wildlifelicence@npws.gov.ie>

Cc: Tom O'Donnell < tom@odonnellenviro.ie >; Colm Breslin < colm@odonnellenviro.ie >

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To whom it may concern,

please find attached an application for a Derogation License to permit the relocation of a bat box at Harpers Island Wetlands Cork. The box is located on a Leylandii tree which is to be removed as part of ongoing biodiversity enhancement works at the site (the tree is one of a line of non native trees located along the boundary of the site which it is proposed to replace with a native hedgerow). It is proposed to move the box to nearby location on site per the details set out in the Bat Derogation License Supporting Information document attached with the application form.

We look forward to hearing from you in relation to this matter.
Regards,
Sharon
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