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Subject: RE: TCPA 90 s 257 Public Path Order FP 7 Caerwent CAMS 01097 Water Pits

Hello Shaun

This was discussed at Council last night and these are their comments:

The ecology report https://planningonline.monmouthshire.gov.uk/online-applications/files/ECFBE6A65DE8412CA29984FC3A14D3E3/pdf/DM_2021_00738-PRELIMINARY_ECOLOGICAL_APPRAISAL_REPORT-924855.pdf provided with the planning application documents relating to DM/2021/00738 notes the importance of the hedge along the eastern border for biodiversity including nesting birds and advises (para 5.1) an exclusion zone along a nearby hedge to the east and works completed outside the nesting bird season or preceded by a breeding bird survey to protect any ground nesting birds using the site the development should have little impact on the biodiversity of the area.

We therefore would recommend a 2 metre buffer zone along the eastern hedge be retained between the hedge and the footpath even after construction works are complete in order to protect nesting birds from disturbance each year.

Regards.

Laraine
Clerk to the Council
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