

HR/P18-2917

14th January 2022

Appellant Response to VIA Note on Biodiversity Net Gain Calculations
APP/B3030/W/21/3279533 Land to the North of Halloughton, Halloughton, Southwell, Nottinghamshire

This letter summarises the Appellants response to the VIA Note on Biodiversity Net Gain Calculation, dated 5th January 2022.

Response to Review Outcomes

The VIA Note on Biodiversity Net Gain Calculation suggests that the baseline area and total loss of other neutral grassland calculations were inaccurate.

The VIA Note on Biodiversity Net Gain Calculation refers to a baseline habitat value of 7.2ha for semi-improved grassland (other neutral grassland on the metric) and that this will be lost. Avian Ecology have re-reviewed their Biodiversity Net Gain Calculations, and can confirm that the original calculation of 0.98ha of semi-improved grassland is correct, as this relates to two strips of SI at field margins. The extended Phase 1 Habitat Plan has been updated to show this clearly (please see attached).

As a result, the Appellant can confirm the calculation was correct with 0.98ha of SI grassland (other neutral grassland) as the baseline area and this 0.98ha will be lost through Proposed Development. The resulting findings of a +91.74% Biodiversity Net Gain is accurate.

Enc. Updated Extended Phase 1 Habitat Plan