Dear Jill,

I am happy that shortening the land drainage pipes to provide a short soakaway is sufficient and therefore would have no concerns from an ecological view with condition 12 relating to land drainage being discharged. In relation to condition 10, I noticed from the 'Amended access and drainage' document provided that they state that tree branches up to 5m are to be removed 'in summer'. It would be worth including a bird informative within any decision notice to ensure the applicant is fully aware of their obligation to protect any bird nests that may be present in the area. (Tree works are ideally carried out outside of the breeding season, between September and February)

Many thanks,

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