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**Comments:**

I have read the Ecological Assessment by Ian Bond of INCA which includes a bat survey in the Appendix. The bat survey is not very detailed and does not include any data from the North Yorkshire Bat Group, there is no plan of where the surveyors were positioned for the emergence survey. The habitat looks very suitable for bats and bats were present in fairly low numbers throughout the survey. The descriptions and pictures of the buildings do suggest that they are not very suitable for bats as there is little insulation and the interiors are very light with holes in the roofs. There are some potential roost sites and bats may be found during building works. There will also be potential for the site and buildings to be enhanced for bats. I would recommend that a brief method statement is conditioned based on the building work to be done and potential impacts on bats. The method statement could also include enhancement of the area for bats with appropriate plantings and provision of bat boxes in appropriate locations.

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