

## **Biodiversity Checklist**

Only for use with application sites which are impacting on an area less than 0.1ha.

The below is intended as a guide to determine which ecological survey will be required to support your planning application. If
professional ecological advice has identified further surveys are required, these should always be undertaken before the application is
submitted to the Planning Authority.

Where the checklist indicates that no surveys are required, a copy of this should be submitted to the planning authority to support your
application. The checklist will be reviewed by the validation team and your planning case officer, further evidence such as photographs
may be requested to enable this review. Incorrect information provided is likely to cause delays to your planning application.

If the checklist indicates that surveys are required, but you believe this to be incorrect, please contact the Dorset Natural Environment Team at biodiversityprotocol@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk.

 In most cases, the results of the surveys indicated by the checklist should be compiled into an Ecological Impact Assessment (EcIA), which is proportionate to the scale of the project.

 Where a survey identifies an impact on biodiversity, a standardised Biodiversity Plan is required to be submitted to Dorset Council Natural Environment Team (DC NET) for review, in addition to the EclA / ecology report.



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Biod	Biodiversity features		No	Information required
1.	. HABITATS			
Α	re any of the following habitats present and likely to be affected by the pr	oposal	?	
(1	his is not limited to loss of habitat but includes other effects including from increased lig	hting, du	st depos	sition, siltation etc.)
	Shrubs, bushes, climbing plants, non-native hedgerow		DZ	No survey required. Avoid the nesting bird season, a pre-works nesting bird check will be required if the nesting bird season cannot be avoided.
	Field hedgerows comprising mostly native species		N	Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (PEA) including Hedgerow Regulations Assessment.
	Ponds on site or within 100m, including ornamental or garden ponds	0	M	
٠	Mature, urban, veteran and notable trees, areas of woodland or scrub, orchards	0	B	
	Streams, rivers or lakes on or within 25m of the application site that would be affected (including their banks and adjacent habitat)		<b>S</b>	Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (PEA).
•	Species-rich meadows or grassland		1	1 to
•	Mature or overgrown garden, rough grassland, derelict land, brownfield, railway sidings, allotments	0	<b>M</b>	
•	Habitat not listed above	0	M	Contact DC NET to discuss further
Biod	Biodiversity features		No	Information required



Will the proposal affect, or require conversion, modification, demolition or removal of, any of the following features or structures?  (This includes work that in some circumstances may not require planning permission such as reroofing, repointing, internal modifications etc.)						
•	Existing enclosed roof space or other enclosed voids	0				
	Chimney / chimney stack					
•	Gaps, cracks, crevices or voids within;					
	Roof tiles, lead flashing, sarking					
	Stonework, brickwork					
	Timber building frames			Preliminary Roost Appraisal (PRA)		
	Timber cladding, hanging tiles					
	Timber framed windows					
	<ul> <li>Soffits, fascia's, bargeboards, eaves</li> </ul>		1	2		
	Structures where there is known current or historic bat use	0	1			
•	Garage, outbuilding, derelict building	0	8			
•	Underground structures, cellar			Preliminary Roost Appraisal (PRA) in all		
•	Tunnel, bridge, culvert			circumstances. PRA and Barn Ówl Survey if in a rural location		
•	Stable, barn or other agricultural building, particularly those of traditional construction					
	Single skinned building (such as steel prefabricated, wooden shed, concrete blockwork), prefabricated cabins/caravans, conservatory or flat roof building with <b>none</b> of the features listed above. Also, if in a rural location, no openings or cavities.	0	Q	No ecological survey required		



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