

**The Conservation of Habitats and Species
Regulations 2017 (as amended) and Wildlife and
Countryside Act 1981 (as amended)**



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**LICENCE - Disturb and take for Science, Education
& Conservation**

This licence authorises acts that would otherwise be offences under the above legislation

Any request for information in this licence will be considered under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 and the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as appropriate.

Natural England Ref: 2021-55113-SCI-SCI-1

Under the The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended) and Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) Natural England has granted this licence for Bats for the purpose of:

Science or education, under section 55(2)(a) and section 16(3)(a)

to:

Name (in full):	<div style="background-color: black; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></div>
Company Name:	The Ecology Consultancy
Address:	Little Barn, Stream Farm Chiddingly
County:	East Sussex
Postcode:	BN8 6HG

Between the dates of:

11 October 2021	and	30 November 2021	inclusive
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At (locations):

Site/Location Name	County	OS Grid Reference
Location 1	East Sussex	TQ428146
Location 2	East Sussex	TQ427145
Location 3	East Sussex	TQ437148
Location 4	East Sussex	TQ435148
Location 5	East Sussex	TQ435154
Location 6	East Sussex	TQ419138

For the following species:

Species Common Name (Taxonomic Name)	Number	Activity	Method	Detailed Location	OS Grid Reference
All Bats (Chiroptera)	0	Disturb	As Appropriate	Sites as Specified above	XY000000

This licence is granted subject to the licensee, including servants and named agents, adhering to the conditions and notes specified below.

Signature:



(for and on behalf of Natural England)

Date:

11 October 2021

WARNING

- This licence authorises acts that would otherwise be offences under the The Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended) and Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended). Any departure from the conditions relating to this licence may be an offence under that legislation;
- This licence conveys no authority for actions prohibited by any other legislation;
- This licence can be modified or revoked at any time by Natural England, but this will not be done unless there are good reasons for doing so. The licence is likely to be revoked immediately if it is discovered that false information had been provided which resulted in the issue of the licence.

LICENCE CONDITIONS

1. These conditions apply to the licensee and any additional authorised person. The licensee and any additional authorised person(s) are responsible for ensuring that any licensed operations/ activities comply with all terms and conditions of the licence.
2. The licensee and any additional authorised person(s), shown on the licence, may act under the authority of this licence. The licensee or any additional authorised person(s) may also employ assistants provided they work under the direct personal supervision of the licensee or authorised person.
3. Whilst engaged in activities permitted by this licence, the licensee and/or any additional authorised person(s), must have access to a copy of this licence and produce it to any police officer or any Natural England officer on demand.
4. The Licensee and any additional authorised person(s) shall permit an officer of Natural England, accompanied by such persons as he/she considers necessary for the purpose, on production of his/her identification on demand, reasonable access to the site for monitoring purposes and to be present during any operations carried out under the authority of this licence for the purpose of ascertaining whether the conditions of this licence are being, or have been, complied with. The Licensee shall give all reasonable assistance to an officer of Natural England and any persons accompanying him/her.

LICENCE CONDITIONS

5. This licence does not convey any right of entry upon land, and the landowner's/occupier's prior permission must be obtained, as necessary, before the licence is used.
6. No licensed activity shall be carried out under this licence on a National Nature Reserve or Marine Nature Reserve except with the prior written permission of Natural England.
7. A person authorised by the licensee shall provide him/her with such information as is within his/her knowledge and is necessary for the Report, which the licensee is required to make to Natural England.
8. The 'Report by licensee of action taken under licence' must be completed, even if no licensed action is taken. It must be submitted on line or sent to the Natural England office at the address shown on this licence, to arrive no later than 14 days (two weeks) after the expiry of the licence. Failure to make a report may result in the licence being revoked and/or any future applications being refused.
9. This licence may be modified or revoked at any time by Natural England.

Additional condition(s):

AC01. Bats to be disturbed by use of acoustic deterrents placed along flight lines.

AC02. Activities under this licence to be undertaken in accordance with the Project Plan 'Barcombe Mills Project Licence Application – HS2 - EKFB' Version 1.0 dated 16/09/2021 and request for extension of licence received on 08/10/2021.

AC03. If adverse effects on any known maternity roosts are recorded, use of the acoustic deterrents must cease.

AC04. Where '0' (zero) is noted please note that there is no limit to the number of bats that may be disturbed under this licence provided all conditions and notes are met.

NOTES

1. Please read the details of your licence carefully to ensure that you comply with it paying particular attention to the number and species licensed as this may differ to what was requested in your application.
2. Under Regulation 60(1) of the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended), it is an offence to contravene or fail to comply with a licence condition. This includes all persons authorised to act under this licence.
3. An additional authorised person is a suitably trained and experienced person who is able to carry out work under a licence without the personal supervision of the licensee. To carry out licensed activities their name will be on the licence. To comply with the licence conditions, additional licensed persons should have a copy of the licence accessible when acting under the licence.

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4. An assistant is a person assisting the licensee or the additional authorised person(s). Assistants are only authorised to act under a licence whilst they are under the direct supervision of either the licensee or the additional authorised person(s).
5. Natural England advises that where any individual is likely to come into contact with a bat in the operation of this licence, they should ensure that they wear suitable clothing and gloves and have been vaccinated against European Bat Lyssavirus (EBL).
6. Please note the information of the 'Report by licensee of action taken under licence' may have changed from previous years. The data required in your report and the required format can be viewed on the Natural England website. Alternatively you can request a copy from the Natural England address shown on your licence.

Additional note(s):

AN01. Before exercising this licence the licensee should liaise with the appropriate local bat groups or licensees. The licensee should observe the guidelines set out in the Bat Workers Manual.

AN02. All equipment used for the purposes of this licence shall be so constructed and maintained as to avoid cruelty and distress to the species named on this licence.

AN03. Possession of a licence to disturb or capture bats indicates that the licensee has demonstrated an appropriate level of competence in these activities. The licence should not be used or taken to indicate competence in any other activity that may be associated with work on bats.

Additional Authorised Individuals

The additional authorised individuals listed below are also authorised to act under the terms and conditions of this licence:

Nil