

**Bluebell  
Ancient Woodland Indicator**



**Barbastelle Bat**



**Nightingale**



**Great Crested Newt**

**WSCC/030/21**

**Clay quarry & construction materials  
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**Biodiversity** – the Variety of Life on Earth - is critical for our health and prosperity. A Biodiversity Emergency was declared in 2019 as wildlife species are increasingly becoming extinct. These form our life support systems – clean air, fresh water, healthy soils and climate – and need **protection**.

The Government suggests that all planning applications involve a Net Biodiversity Gain of 10% of habitat **BUT** this application predicts a biodiversity **LOSS**.

**Habitats** – the places in which wildlife live – need to be in prime condition and there are a fabulous range around **Pallinghurst**:

- Deciduous woodlands**, some of which are **Ancient** and considered irreplaceable.
- Scrub**, used by rare birds such as **Nightingales**.
- Ponds**, some of which include **Great Crested Newts** and, in the **large & mature trees**, **Barbastelle Bats** - both **European Protected Species** which attract the highest form of legal protection.

The application should be **REFUSED**

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*“It may sound frightening, but the scientific evidence is that if we have not taken dramatic action within the next decade, we could face irreversible damage to the natural world and the collapse of our societies.”*  
Sir David Attenborough