

Agenda Item 6A – DC/22/00985

**Demolition of existing retaining wall to former swimming pool site.  
Construction of new retaining wall, park entrance landscaping to Belle Vue  
Park and pedestrian crossing to Cornard Road.**

**Belle Vue Park, Sudbury at The Roundabout Junction of Cornard Road and  
Newton Road.**

- A further local representation has been sent direct to the Council's Ecological consultants, which identifies that, within 250m of the site there are ponds in the rear gardens of dwellings that backs on to the park, and these ponds may be a suitable habitat for Great Crested newts. It is urged that further assessment is carried out in this regard. It is also stated that bat surveys should be completed before prior to the determination of the planning application taking place, in order that responsibilities are met.
- Following receipt of additional information in relation to the issue of bat presence, the following summarised further comments have been received from the Council's ecological consultants:
  - Brown long eared bat droppings were recorded in two areas of the roof void of B1, indicating the likely presence of at least two bat roosts.
  - Four common pipistrelle day roosts, one soprano pipistrelle day roost and one brown long eared bat day roost was recorded at the building. A further possible brown long eared bat day roost was also recorded at a different point on the building.
  - No evidence of hibernating bats was recorded.
  - Any works which would impact bat roosts found to be present must be carried out under an EPS licence.

