Ecology Consultation

Proposal:		**Location:**	
Demolition of redundant structures		Sawtry Central Stores Woodwalton Lane Sawtry	
Dc Case Officer: KSI	**Ecology Officer:** ET	**Application Ref. No:** 25/00968/DEMDET	**Date:** 23/06/2025

Submitted Plans and Documents Reviewed

- Sawtry Demolition Phase 1 Scope of Works, received 28/05/2025
- Demolition Proposal Phase 1 - Pre-Demolition, received 28/05/2025
- Demolition Proposal Phase 1 - Post-Demolition, received 28/05/2025
- Great Crested Newts Precautionary Working Method Statement, received 28/05/2025

Conclusion

Based on the submitted information, the approach to protected species is not acceptable as the proposal fails to:

- Conserve protected species under the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017 (as amended), the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended), and Policy LP30 of the Huntingdonshire Local Plan to 2036

The proposal will result in the loss of a breeding site and/or resting place of a GCN. Appropriate licencing will be required.

Assessment

The Great Crested Newt Precautionary Working Method states the site contains a ‘large’ or ‘exceptional’ population of GCN with a peak count of 190 GCN recorded in the 2024 survey. The survey found the following waterbodies (red) to contain GCN.



Location 7 on this map corresponds to the removal of a disused additive storage tanks and associated frame/walkway to ground level in the Phase 1 Scope of Work.



8. Remove dis-used additive storage vessel and associated frame and equipment inside bund area. Concrete bund and tank saddles to remain. Fill bund with suitable material to top of bund wall.

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