Online Comment

Application	H17-0236-20
Location	Land to the west of Coalbeach Lane South Surfleet Spalding PE11 4BL
Proposal	Residential development of 60 dwellings

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For/Against	Objections

Thank you for referring this application to Linc Bats Group for comment. I do have issues with the statement in the Design and Access statement which claims its ecological value is low (6.6). Have they had a survey done? With forward thinking there is great potential for enhancement of the environment by, inter alia, appropriate landscaping and planting - native rather an ornamental; by creating hedgehog routes through garden fencing; by installing integrated bat boxes in the new builds, and so on. Surfleet has a healthy bat population because of the river, with many roosts in local houses. As the new gardens mature bats will be drawn in to feed. We would suggest at the very least a plan should be submitted showing how they intend to increase the biodiversity of this site.