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Boohoo.com, Development at Widow Hill Road Burnley – Planning Approval APP/2014/0041 (dated 24-04-14) – Discharge of Planning Conditions 10 and 11.

Condition 10 of APP/2014/0041 requires that a walkover survey of the site for invasive and other species is carried out.

A walkover survey for invasive species was undertaken on 25th July and , I can confirm that there are no invasive species on the site, therefore no special care needs to be taken with regards species such as Japanese knotweed, Himalayan balsam and giant hogweed. No plants offered any special protection or listed in Section 41 of the Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act were found.

Condition 11 of APP/2014/0041 requires a nesting bird check to be undertaken at the above site prior to the commencement of any works.

I can confirm that prior to the commencement of any works at the above site a walkover of the site was undertaken to survey for nesting birds. The survey visits were undertaken on Friday 25th July and Monday 4th August 2014 by TEP ecologist Paul Hill.

No ground-nesting birds were found, nor were any active nests found in any of the scrub within the site boundary.

Works may therefore proceed without the need for any mitigation or special measures to avoid disturbance to nesting birds.

As per standard best practice recommendations, where removal of areas of scrub or trees has not occurred within 48 hours of a nesting bird survey, a repeat survey will be required to confirm absence of nesting birds if works affecting these habitats are to be undertaken in the period March to August inclusive.

Yours sincerely,

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