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TABLE 1. Local Requirements for Protected Species: Criteria & indicative thresholds for when a Survey & Assessment is required (see 'Guidance For Applicants')

SPECIES		Species likely to be affected and for which a Survey will be required										
		Bats	Barn Owls	Breeding Birds	Great Crested Newts	Otters	Water voles	Badgers	Reptiles	Amphibians	Plants	Crayfish
Does the application involve any of the following activities that may trigger a Protected Species Survey? Proposed development which includes the modification, conversion, demolition or removal of buildings and structures (especially roof voids) involving the following: - all agricultural and ex-agricultural buildings (e.g. farmhouses and barns) particularly of traditional brick or stone construction and/or with exposed wooden beams greater than 20cm thick with stone, slate or pantile roof; - all tunnels, mines, kilns, ice-houses, adits, military fortifications, air raid shelters, cellars and similar underground ducts and structures; - all bridge structures, aqueducts and viaducts (especially over water and wet ground); - Domestic works which involve the removal or disturbance to the roof or roof structure including loft conversions.		Please tick appropriate box YES NO										
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Proposals involving lighting of listed buildings or flood lighting of green space within 50m of woodland, water, field hedgerows or lines of trees with obvious connectivity to woodland or water.		YES NO		V	V	V						
Development within the curtilage of a church.		YES NO		V	V	V						
Proposals affecting woodland, or field hedgerows and/or lines of trees with obvious connectivity to woodland or water bodies.		YES NO		V		V			V		V	
Proposed tree work (felling or lopping) and/or development affecting: old and veteran trees that are older than 100 years; trees with obvious holes, cracks, cavities; trees with girth greater than 1m at chest height.		YES NO		V		V						
Proposals affecting gravel pits or quarries and natural cliff faces and rock outcrops.		YES NO		V		V			V			
Major* proposals within 500m of a pond or lake or Minor proposals within 100m of a pond or lake.		YES NO					V					
Proposals affecting or within 20m of rivers, streams, canals or other aquatic habitats.		YES NO					V	V		V	V	V
Proposals affecting 'derelict' land (brownfield sites), allotments and railway land.		YES NO				V	V		V	V	V	
Proposed development affecting any buildings, structures, feature or locations where protected species are known to be present. **		YES NO		V	V	V	V	V	V	V	V	

* = A 'major' proposal is one that is more than 10 dwellings or more than 0.5 hectares or for non-residential development is more than 1000m² floor area or more than 1 hectare.

** = Confirmed as present by either a data search (for instance, via the North & East Yorkshire Environmental Data Centre) or as notified to the developer by the local planning authority, and/or by Natural England, the Environment Agency or other nature conservation organisation.

V = if you ticked the 'YES' box against this species then an Ecological Survey & Assessment **must be submitted** with your Application unless it falls within the exceptions described in this 'Guidance for Applicants'.

TABLE 2. Local Requirements for Designated Sites & Priority Habitats: Criteria (Trigger List) for when a Survey & Assessment are required

SITES & HABITATS

Please tick appropriate box			
YES	NO	Presence of:	
		1. DESIGNATED SITES	
		Internationally designated sites	Special Area of Conservation (SAC) or Special Protection Areas (SPA) } www.magic.gov.uk or www.natureonthemap.org.uk
		Nationally designated sites	Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)
		Locally designated sites	Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) www.harrogate.gov.uk/pdf/localplan/00homepage.pdf
		2. PRIORITY HABITATS (Habitats of Principal Importance for Biodiversity under S.41 of the NERC Act 2006, as amended by the Biodiversity Action Plan Review 2007) and OTHER BIODIVERSITY FEATURES (as identified by the Local Biodiversity Partnership - see paragraph 84 ODPM Circular 06/2005).	
		Upland agricultural	Moorland (Upland Heath and Blanket Bog)
			Moorland Edge
			Upland calcareous grassland (species-rich limestone grasslands)
			Upland hay meadows
		Lowland agricultural	Field Hedgerows
			Arable field margins
			Lowland meadows (e.g. species-rich flower meadows or pasture)
			Lowland heathland and/or dry acid grassland
			Lowland calcareous grassland (species-rich limestone grasslands)
			Floodplain grazing marsh (wet grassland)
		Wetland/Water	Fen, marsh, swamp and reedbeds
			Upland Flushes, Fens and Swamps
			Standing open water and canals (e.g. lakes, reservoirs, ponds)
			Rivers and streams
		Woodland & Trees	Wet woodland
			Lowland mixed deciduous woodland (ancient woodland)
			Secondary Woodland and Mature/Veteran Trees
			Upland woodlands (e.g. mixed ashwoods, oakwoods, and birchwoods)
			Wood-pasture and parkland
			Traditional Orchards
			Trees and scrub used for nesting by breeding birds
		Urban/Geological	Urban green space (e.g. parks, allotments, flower-rich road verges and railway embankments)
			Open Mosaic Habitats on Previously Developed Land
			Caves and disused tunnels and mines (e.g. roosts for bats)
			Rock Outcrops or Cliffs
			Lead Mining Spoil Heaps