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**RE: Land to west of Meadow Court, Ashford Road, Kingsnorth, Ashford (PA/2025/0186)**

To whom it may concern,

This letter is to confirm that a site visit was carried out on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026 by Julie Merrett BSc (Hons) ACIEEM, a qualified professional consultant who also undertook the initial survey work at the site in 2023.

The reader is referred to the following reports by Hone Ecology Ltd:

- Preliminary Ecological Assessment (PEA) Report (16<sup>th</sup> October 2023)
- Reptile Presence/ Likely Absence Survey Report (3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023).

It is confirmed that the habitats and site have not changed significantly since the surveys undertaken in 2023, with the only changes noted were more of the unsafe Poplars on the northeast boundary having fallen or being in the process of falling. Ongoing management of the site is confirmed with the presence of sheep grazing during the current visit. Therefore, no additional surveys are required, and the recommendations are still valid as per the above reports.

Photos from the current walkover are in the Photos section.

If you require further clarification on any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

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**Photos from 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026 walkover**

	
<p>Plate 1: View to northwest of the site.</p>	<p>Plate 2: View to the east of the site.</p>
	
<p>Plate 3: East end of the site .</p>	<p>Plate 4: Hedge on north boundary.</p>
	
<p>Plate 5: West boundary line of oaks.</p>	<p>Plate 6: Unsafe falling Poplars on the northeast boundary.</p>
	
<p>Plate 7: Fallen Poplars on the northeast boundary.</p>	