



**WML-A35a-E5a&b – WORK SCHEDULE FOR HAZEL DORMOUSE
ANNEXED LICENCE**

Site name and address (as stated on the application form and/or licence): Little Horsted

Please ensure that this work schedule is S.M.A.R.T and appropriate timescales are provided for each activity, to fit with order of events. Complete these schedules to show timings for all major categories of work (mitigation and compensation measures), and to show the main construction period. The most common activities are listed here, and you can add up to 6 more if needed. Leave blank if not applicable. Enter timing by stating **start and end dates, to nearest month and year** (see first line for example). Enter comments if you need to clarify timings. For very complex schemes (e.g. high impact or phased development schemes) if additional lines are needed please do add in. This work schedule will form part of any annexed licence.

E5a

PLEASE INCLUDE DATE OF SUBMISSION (e.g. 1 January 2016). This will be referenced in the licence →		30 May 2022
Activity	Timing	Comments
Activity (state completed and fit for purpose before licensed works due to commence if appropriate)		
<i>Example: Capture by nest box / nest tube followed by release</i>	<i>May 2015</i>	<i>Release into suitable habitat within hours of capture</i>
New habitat creation / planting - scrub, woodland	April 2023	Planting of scrub and the enhancement of a broadleaved woodland in 2023, on offsite compensation land with long-term (25-30years) management.
New habitat planting of hedgerow		
Habitat enhancement (e.g. thinning and infill planting, etc)		
Hedgerow translocation		
Coppice stool translocation		
Installation of dormouse nest boxes (pre-works)	April 2022	25 boxes will be installed to

			increase carrying capacity of the retained woodland and, provide nesting opportunities for displaced dormice in advance of the temporary clearance along the northern edge of the site and around tower 4VM069 in the woodland.
Installation of dormouse nest boxes (post construction)			
Construction of connectivity or linking structure (state what this is)			
Single stage habitat removal – active season (with finger tip search)		May - 10th June 2022 and April / May 2023	Scrub along the woodland edge will be temporarily cleared on successive days in May / June 2022. A small area of broadleaved woodland will be temporarily cleared on successive days in April / May 2023.
Single stage habitat removal – hibernation season (with finger tip search)			
Hand searches including capture by hand		May - 10th June 2022 and April / May 2023	The named ecologist or an accredited agent will hand search immediately prior to the single stage habitat removal and move any dormouse to nearby suitable habitat outside of the works area.
Two stage habitat removal:	Stage 1 – habitat removal (above ground vegetation 15-30cm)		
	Stage 2 – habitat removal (removal of root balls)		
Capture by nest box / nest tube, followed by immediate release			
Construction period (start and end dates)		January 2023 - September / October 2024	Construction will commence in January 2023. Once the new substation and towers are built, and the existing tower 69 is demolished works on site should be complete by September / October 2024

Site checks & maintenance during construction	May / June 2022 - September / October 2024	Checks will be completed every three months by either the licence holder or accredited agents of the licence. Vegetation in the areas of temporary clearance will be suitably maintained until works are complete in these areas.
Habitat reinstatement (for temporary impact schemes only) – e.g. restoration	March / April 2024	Once the existing tower has been removed, habitats will be allowed to naturally regenerate; there are already good native species that will continue to provide an optimal habitat for dormice in these areas including hawthorn, blackthorn, hazel, oak and bramble.
Post construction mitigation/compensation on dev't site or other (provide details)	April 2024 - September / October 2028	The creation of a lowland wildflower meadow and scrub and, the enhancement of a broadleaved woodland on the offsite compensation land will be maintained and managed for c.25-30 years). Dormouse boxes will be monitored in alternate years to ensure dormice are still present within the local area. See E5B and EMMS

E5b) Post-development works - type a "Y" where each activity will occur for a given year (unless otherwise stated) and leave blank for no activity.

Year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Population monitoring									Y		Y	
Connectivity or linking structure monitoring (e.g. bridge)												
Habitat management (e.g. thinning, coppicing, hedges etc)									Y	Y	Y	Y
Site maintenance (clear out boxes, check establishment of new planting, maintenance of bridges etc)									Y	Y	Y	Y

Year	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039
Population monitoring	Y											
Connectivity or linking structure monitoring (e.g. bridge)												
Habitat management (e.g. thinning, coppicing, hedges etc)	Y											
Site maintenance (clear out boxes, check establishment of new planting, maintenance of bridges etc)	Y											