

Ref: Erect roof over existing sheep pens

'Rockland'

Lady Hall

Millom

Part field Nos 1654 & 1041

Near Green Road

The Green

Millom

Cumbria LA18 5HR

Protected species survey/protection plan

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- The site of the existing sheep pens, & proposed building is next to boundary hedge separating the fields from the Duddon estuary which is a SSSI site.
- There is an open drain some 8m south of the pens/building which takes field water into the estuary via flood sluice under the flood protection embankment which extends from Millom to Duddon Bridge.
- The possible presence of Natterjack toads etc is accepted by the applicants due to nearness to the SSSI area, but there are presently no requirement to check for the same, when performing farming operations, & using the sheep pens.

Before commencement of works, & during:

- Contractors to be made aware of the possible presence of Natterjack toads. An initial visual inspection of the site to be made, & regular checks thereafter are to be made when moving materials, equipment etc or when re-starting work.
- Any excavations etc left overnight to be either covered or provided with planters at 45° to aid escape of toads etc. & either following morning, or before re-commencing works, these areas to be re-checked.
- Materials to be brought onto site only when ready to use, & be stored on pallets.
- Whilst the site may be temporarily stock fenced for the duration of the works (on the field sides if stock in fields), there could be toad netting provided if initial checks find natterjack toads in this area.