

No signs of active wild birds' nests were detected in the buildings, although the pigeons may be nesting.

4. Conclusions

- 4.1 The building was assessed as having low bat roosting potential and there were no bats roosting in the building at the time of the survey.
- 4.2 The immediate area was considered to have low-moderate bat foraging potential with further areas of low-moderate bat foraging potential within 400 metres.
- 4.3 There were several buildings, mostly dwellings, nearby likely to have higher bat roosting potential than the buildings surveyed here.
- 4.4 Signs of nesting wild birds were not found, but nests were considered possible, even likely.

5. Recommendations

- 5.1 Work can commence with minimal risk to roosting bats.
- 5.2 It should be remembered that bats are occasionally found in the most unexpected places. If any bats are found during work, the local bat group or the consultant (0161 796 6211, 07946 488467) should be notified and work stopped immediately.
- 5.3 Bat surveys are generally valid for 12 months.
- 5.4 There may be problems with nesting birds. It is an offence to disturb active birds' nests and any nests found during work must be left undisturbed (5 metre exclusion zone) until the young have fledged. Birds are likely to be nesting between March and August inclusive. If in any doubt refer to the consultant.

6. Photos



P1 West end of south aspect, plank cladding P2 South aspect showing open doorway