

BAT SURVEY CRITERIA

NB. Bats may be found in other situations beyond those listed below.

For example, pipistrelle bats will occupy modern buildings and built structures. Applicants, developers, and those acting for them, should be mindful that disturbance of any roosts or harm to a bat or bats is a criminal offence.

- (A)** Houses
 - (i) Demolitions.
 - (ii) Changes affecting the roof (e.g. house extensions, loft conversions, re-roofing, etc.). For buildings where bats are known or suspected by the applicant or which fit the criteria listed below (C and D) survey should be undertaken. Applicants can seek advice from the Countryside Council for Wales if unsure.
- (B)** Barns and other traditional buildings inc. churches, chapels – changes to or demolition of.
- (C)** Buildings with complex roof structures of any age – changes or demolitions to buildings such as schools, offices, hostels, pubs and hotels, hospitals, etc.
- (D)** Developments to listed buildings.
- (E)** Developments involving the loss of mature trees or trees with obvious cavities, flaking bark, exposed tears and cracks or splits.
- (F)** Developments affecting buildings/trees where bats are known to be present or are adjacent to known bat roosts.
- (G)** Developments impacting on underground structures e.g. tunnels, mines, cellars, icehouses.
- (H)** Road scheme developments, inc. work to bridges.