

Award winning property developer

ENIMS delivers both compliance and excellence services to this national, award-winning, national property developer.

The environmental compliance and excellence challenge

The organisation was planning to build a forty-four property development. This would require clearing a large area of vegetation – but the company did not have planning permission.

In addition to environmental compliance challenges, the company understood that, as a major property developer, it was very important to demonstrate environmental excellence. Which meant that the team needed to mitigate the impact of their development as much as possible.

ENIMS delivered a strategic, environmental solution, working alongside the developers to provide both environmental compliance and excellence services.

The ENIMS solution

ENIMS provided all the services required for the development to become legally compliant. To obtain planning permission, a Phase I Survey was conducted and, on the discovery of bats, a detailed mitigation plan was drafted. After planning permission was granted, ENIMS obtained a European Protected Species Licence on behalf of the company.

Once the development was fully compliant with all environmental laws, ENIMS moved on to the delivery of excellence services. The developers had previously signed a Section 106 agreement with the Local Planning Authority. Such an agreement requires an organisation to state that they will mitigate the impact of developments – and by doing so, enhance their environmental credentials.

ENIMS worked alongside the organisation to implement the terms of the agreement. A new pond was created, and an existing one was excavated to create suitable habitats for species that would be affected by the development. Newts and frogs were taken from the site, and released into the newly-created and cleared ponds. Meanwhile, areas of vegetation were cleared and built into stacked piles which would create a new habitat for a wide range of species.

At the same time, ENIMS delivered its landscape management planning service, making sure that the new water features enhanced the appearance of the development as much as possible.

Result

The development works were granted planning permission, and the demolition and build were fully in-line with local, domestic and European legislation.

In addition, ENIMS enabled the organisation to demonstrate its commitment to the environment, and subsequently boost its competitive credentials.