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Subject: Advice on EDF's DCO incorrect facts
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Dear Planning Inspectorate,

I need to highlight something I've found and would like to get advice on how to deal with it.

I am a Kew trained horticulturist and have analysed EDFs DCO ecology reports on the Two Village Bypass and found there are too many incorrect facts to be error. I have a comprehensive list of these and where to find them in the DCO but briefly; ancient/veteran trees are assessed incorrectly (some examples below), ponds nearest to their site are claimed as 'access not granted' for surveying when access was never requested, bat roost and hare records are given as far away when they are records much closer, Ancient Woodland is incorrectly mapped, BAP Parkland with a grove of Ancient Pollards close to the site is not assessed.

It gives EDF the easiest run and lowest responsibility for mitigation, but worse it shows utter disregard for Suffolk landscapes and its wildlife.

I wanted you to be alerted to the fact this could well be happening elsewhere in other sections of the DCO and what your views are as how best to deal with it? Telling EDF isn't really helpful, we already told them about incorrect mapping of Ancient Woodland and they told us to deal with it at the DCO stage. Is that what we should just do now?

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Information pulled from the DCO TVB ecology sections (my comments are in red):
Trees underestimated or ignored (some to be removed) like:

DCO says oak DBH of 200cm: it is a **Listed Veteran oak with DHB of 500cm,**
DCO says ash DBH of 85cm: it is a **Listed Veteran Ash with a DHB of 350cm**
DCO says oak DHB 150cm: it is a **Listed Ancient oak with a DBH of 500cm**
DCO says oak DBH 120cm: it is a **Listed Veteran oak with DBH of 450cm**
DCO says elm DBH 225cm: is a **Listed Ancient Hornbeam with DBH of 400cm**

Further misleading statements include:

- DCO says some ponds were not assessed (nearest to their site) as 'access was never granted' when **access was never requested**
- DCO says the nearest bat roost is 695m north-east of the site, when **the closest recorded bat roost is 80m from the site**
- DCO says closest brown hare records identified approximately 600m away from the site boundary when **the closest brown hare record is within 100m of the site**
- DCO says Pond Wood (within 80m of the site) is a broad leaved semi-natural woodland with a canopy of Field Maple, Oak and Beech **when it is an Ancient Woodland with a canopy of ash and understory of hazel (it has also recently become a CWS).**