

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

Date: 29/07/2022

Planning Application Ref: P2021/1277

Pwllfawatkin refuse tip BIODIVERSITY COMMENTS

The Countryside and Wildlife Team, in responding to the above application, provides the following substantive response:

No comment	☐
No objection (subject to any specified conditions below)	☒
Concerns have been identified (see below for how those concerns can be addressed by the applicant)	☐
Objection – on the grounds set out below	☐

Comments and recommendations:

Surveys and other requirements needed prior to determination:

Prior to determination of the application the following information is required to be submitted to inform the decision:

- None

Conditions:

If the application is to be granted it is recommended that the following be conditioned into the permission:

- Ecological Management and Monitoring Plan

Prior to commencement on site an Ecological Management and Monitoring Plan will be submitted to and agreed with NPTCBC. This will include: details of the creation of the new habitats to include a species rich grassland; a revised plant schedule to reflect the long term aim of a biodiverse rich site; details of maintenance and contingency for failures; details of the long term management; a monitoring schedule; a mechanism for the monitoring to feed in to future actions.

- Environmental Statement - Ecology

Implementation of the recommendations outlined in Chapter 8 (ecology) of 'Environmental Statement Vol 1- Amended Restoration Profile, Pwllfawatkin Landfill dated Nov 21 by Sirius Planning'

- Pre-commencement surveys for otter and Great crested Newts.

Biodiversity Consultation Response

No development with the potential to impact on otter and great crested newts, shall commence until a pre-construction species survey has been carried out for the development. If the survey confirms the presence of otter or great crested newts the results of the survey together with proposed mitigation measures shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The measures shall be carried out in accordance with the approved details.

Informatives:

If the application is to be granted it is recommended that the following informative notes be included in the permission:

- None

The Authority must seek to maintain and enhance biodiversity in the exercise of functions in relation to Wales, and in so doing promote the resilience of ecosystems, so far as consistent with the proper exercise of those functions, under the Environment (Wales) Act 2016. It is therefore essential that the above recommendations for the conservation of biodiversity be followed to ensure that the Planning Authority complies with this statutory requirement along with the adopted guidance in the Biodiversity supplementary planning guidance and TAN 5 (2009).

If you require further clarification of any of the above points please contact Laura Palmer.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Laura Palmer'.

Laura Palmer

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