

Green Infrastructure Statement:

Minor Development

Site Address: Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Dur, Seaway Parade, Neath, Port Talbot SA12 7EQ

Proposed Development

New skills hub with canopy and associated works.

Site description

The proposed development is situated adjacent to and accessed from Seaway Parade, and is currently part of the existing hard standing walkways between the bus/drop off points and the existing school. Parking area, bus drop off point and hard standing walkway is located to the North of the development, hard standing walkways to the East and West, and the existing school hall is located to the South.

A small planting area is located to the North, adjacent to the proposed site.

Surrounding Area description

The school is situated opposite Ysgol Bae Baglan school and Western Avenue Playing Fields. Residential properties surround the existing School on the East, South and West, as well as close proximity open space to the North West.

Please see below site aerial view of the location of the site.



Development Impacts

Proposed extension to be constructed on existing hard surfaced walkway area. Trees and are to be unaffected. Small section of grassed area to be removed to allow for proposed extension.

External lighting is to be limited, and are proposed as part of the general works to provide safe access to the building. All lighting will be low level wall mounted external fittings.

Biodiversity Enhancements Proposed

A bird box is to be installed on the North elevation in accordance with RSPB specifications as stated on the drawings. This will provide increased bird nesting potential in the area.

The small section of planting that is to be affected by the proposal is to be relocated on site.

Conclusion

It is considered that subject to the above, that the proposed development would maintain and enhance the biodiversity of the area, ensuring that any adverse environmental effects are avoided.

Thus ensuring that any environmental effects are avoided.

Signed : Tom Phillips

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