

## Green Infrastructure Statement

Site Address: 21 Margam Street, Cymmer, Port Talbot, SA13 3ED

Proposed Development: Proposed 3 storey extension to rear elevation stepped back between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> levels with lean-to roof. Duo-pitched roof over tied back to existing rear slope.

Site description: The property is a 3 storey terraced property, on a sloping site. The rear garden includes a hard surfaced patio area, and artificial grassed lawn. Concrete block walls form the side boundaries to the rear garden. Detached outbuilding to rear of garden on left side, and concrete block wall to the right separated by timber access gate. The application site is located in a frontage of similar properties. Public open space, woodland and the river Afan to the rear. (see aerial image below)



#### Development Impacts:

The existing single storey flat roof extension is to be demolished. The proposed extension is to project off the rear of the property by the same measurement as the existing but across the entire width of the boundary. A small section of artificial lawn is to be removed to accommodate an extended patio. No Trees or hedges present within the boundaries of the site to be affected. No external lighting proposed, and therefore no impacts beyond the limited localised issues within garden.

#### Biodiversity Enhancements Proposed

Enhancements are limited but it is proposed to provide an area for planting along the rear boundary, and to install a bird box to the rear elevation of the extension.

#### Conclusion.

It is considered that subject to the above, that the proposed development would maintain and / or enhance biodiversity, build resilient ecological networks and deliver net benefits for biodiversity by ensuring that any adverse environmental effects are avoided/ minimized/ mitigated, compensated for.

Signed,

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