

Green Infrastructure Statement:

Minor Development / Homeowner

Site Address: 12 Woodlands Terrace, Resolven, Neath, SA11 4NG

Proposed Development: Proposed extensions at roof space and single storey extension to bungalow (decided and approved, however proposal to change planned gable roof to a gambrel roof)

Site description: Detached bungalow, front and rear garden areas. Front garden bounded by hedges. Rear garden including hard surfaced patio area, and grassed lawns. Running brook to left of bungalow.

Surrounding Area description: Application site located in a frontage of similar properties, woodland/ farmland to rear.

Development Impacts: Proposed extension to be constructed on existing hard surfaced patio area. Small section of existing lawn to be removed to accommodate extended patio. Trees and existing hedge boundaries unaffected. No external lighting proposed, and therefore no impacts beyond the limited localised issues within garden.

Noting that: Replacement planting shall be at a ratio equivalent to the quality, environmental and ecological importance of the tree(s) lost and this must be preferably onsite, or immediately adjacent to the site, and at a minimum ratio of at least 3 trees of a similar type and compensatory size planted for every 1 lost.

Biodiversity Enhancements Proposed

Integrated Bird/ Bat boxes, tree planting, hedgerow planting.
Reinstatement of permeable surfacing green rooves, living walls etc. It is proposed to plant a hedge line along the existing fence line to the left of the property linking to the hedge at rear boundary, and to install a bird box to the rear elevation of the extension. This would create additional connectivity, and nesting habitats (taking into account impacts and surrounding features)

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.

Thus ensuring that any adverse environmental effects are avoided.

Signed: 

Dated: 29.05.24