

Green Infrastructure Statement

Installation of radio apparatus at Port Talbot ATE, Eagle Street, Port Talbot, West Glamorgan, SA13 1AA (NGR E: 76910 N: 89700)

On behalf of EE Ltd and H3G UK Ltd, this Green Infrastructure Statement has been prepared in support of an application for planning permission for the installation of digital communication equipment and ancillary development thereto at Port Talbot ATE.

Section 6.2 Planning Policy Wales (PPW) Edition 12, February 2024 sets out that green infrastructure should be given early consideration in development proposals and how it should be integrated into developments. Paragraph 6.2.12 states the following:

"a green infrastructure statement should be submitted with all planning applications. This will be proportionate to the scale and nature of the development proposed and will describe how green infrastructure has been incorporated into the proposal. The green infrastructure statement will be an effective way of demonstrating positive multi-functional outcomes which are appropriate to the site in question and must be used for demonstrating how the step-wise approach has been applied"

The application site comprises a former telecommunications installation on the roof of Port Talbot ATE. The entirety of the site comprises brownfield land consisting of a hard surfaced roof. There are currently no green infrastructure assets on the application site and the site is not within or in close proximity to any statutory landscape designations or sites of nature conservation interest.

Given the lack of Green Infrastructure Assets and the location of the development on a hard surfaced rooftop, there is no net loss to biodiversity and due to the site utilizing a former telecommunications installation on brownfield land, a new base station is not required on a greenfield site, therefore preserving existing green infrastructure assets.

Due to the small scale nature of the development proposed, this green infrastructure statement is considered proportionate to the scale and nature of the development proposed which in itself is a functional piece of utilities infrastructure being provided in the public interest. Given the nature of the proposal, the incorporation of green infrastructure is not considered necessary.