

Green Infrastructure Statement:

Minor Development / Homeowner

Site Address: 7 Penderyn Avenue, Margam SA13 2LD

Proposed Development: Part two storey and part single storey rear extension

Site description: The property is a semi-detached property with small front yard and larger rear areas. To the front there is a small patioed yard area with access steps to the front door. These areas are to remain untouched. To the rear there is a larger patio area, and an artificial lawn with path leading to a further raised patio area towards the rear boundary. The boundaries are made up of blockwork walls and timber fencing. These are to remain unaltered.



View of rear garden area with patio and blockwork boundary walls



View of raised patio area to the rear boundary with timber fencing to all sides



Front elevation view with front access steps to small, raised yard area

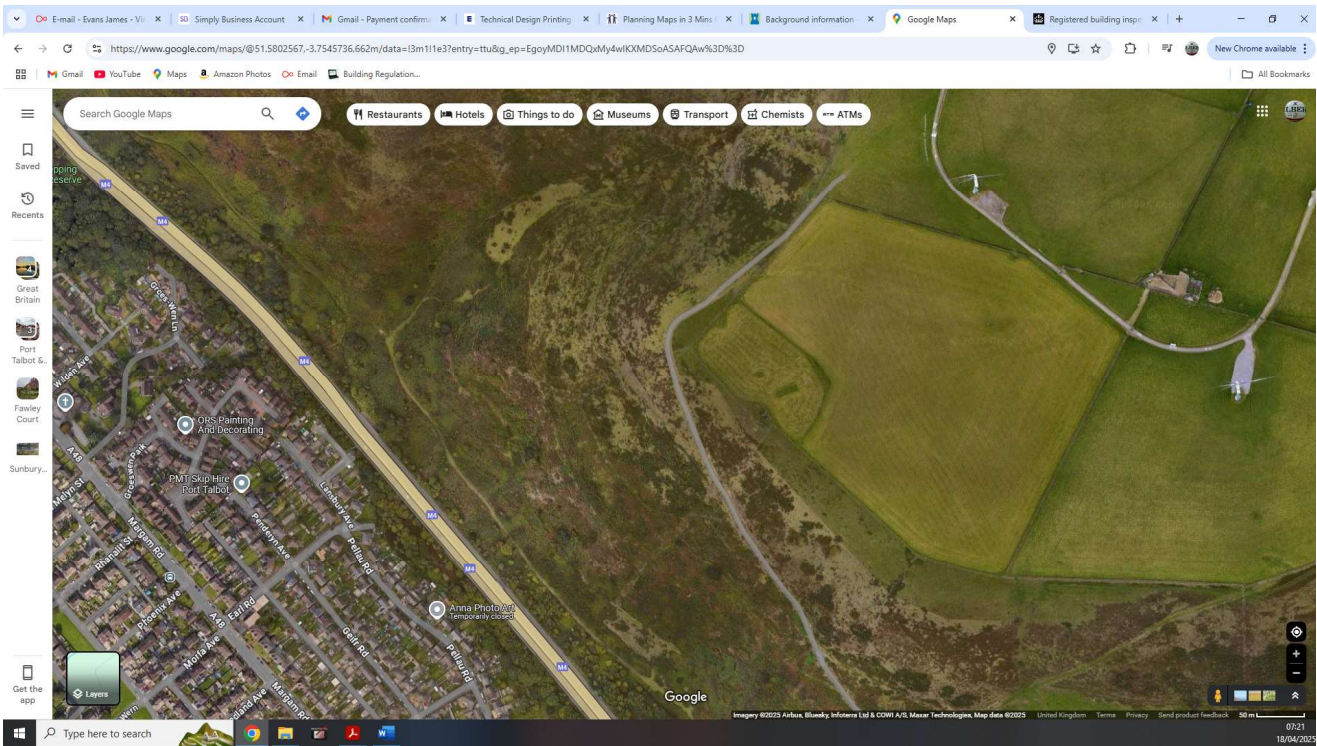
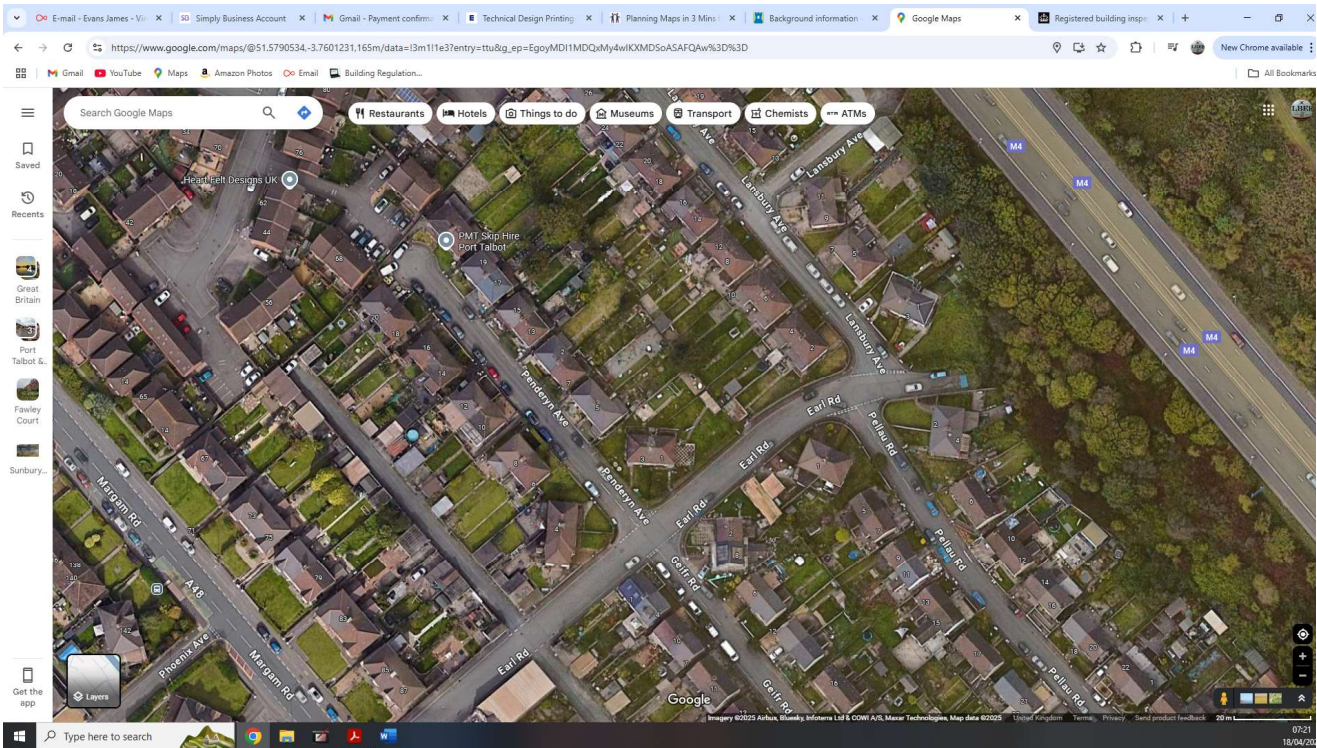


Rear garden view with blockwork walls to both neighbours, patio and artificial lawned areas



Area where the extension will be built is currently an enclosed timber stores/utility space

Surrounding Area description: The application site is in the village of Taibach on the outskirts of Port Talbot town centre. It is surrounded by similar properties to the front, rear and sides. This can be seen in the first image. The second, wider image, shows the close proximity of our plot to substantial green space and abundant habitats.



Development Impacts:

The proposed rear extension will be sited over the area where there is a current single storey stores/utility space or over an existing ground floor extension. This means that no green space or habitats will be removed or disturbed during this development. It has also been shown on the images provided that there are vast areas of green space and biodiversity habitats to the rear of the property meaning negligible impact from our proposed development. However, even though no biodiversity will be affected as part of the development it is proposed to offer some compensations.

Biodiversity Enhancements Proposed

It is proposed to provide the following:

Provide RSPB approved classic nest box or other nest box for House Sparrow:
Wooden with 3 Sub-divisions to support 3 nesting pairs. To be placed
Under the eaves of buildings.
Entrance holes: 32mm diameter
Dimensions: H310 x W370 x D185mm

This would create additional connectivity, and nesting habitats which were not part of the property at present.

Conclusion.

It is considered that subject to the above, that the proposed development would enhance biodiversity, build resilient ecological networks, and deliver net benefits for biodiversity by creating habitats which were not present at the property before the client decided on the development. This will ensure that any adverse environmental effects are compensated for.

Signed JHEvans

Dated. 18th April 2025