

# Green Infrastructure Statement:

## Minor Development / Homeowner

**Site Address:** Rosemont, Gower Crescent, Baglan SA12 8BT

**Proposed Development:** First floor rear extension and fenestration alterations

**Site description:** The property is a semi-detached property with front, side and rear garden areas. To the front there is a lawned area and concrete path and steps leading to the front door. To the side there is a further large lawn and small patio area. The rear area consisting of a smaller lawn, hard standing area and detached garage. The boundaries are made up of brickwork, blockwork and stonework walls. These are to remain unaltered. There are some trees, hedges and mature shrubbery and these will remain in place apart from some maintenance on the overgrown areas.



**View of side garden area including small patio and lawned area with partial stonework and hedgerow boundaries.**



**View of rear area with hard standing, small lawn and detached garage. Block boundary wall to neighbour can also be noted**



**Side elevation view of property where new extension will be positioned above existing ground floor area. Lawned areas can be seen.**

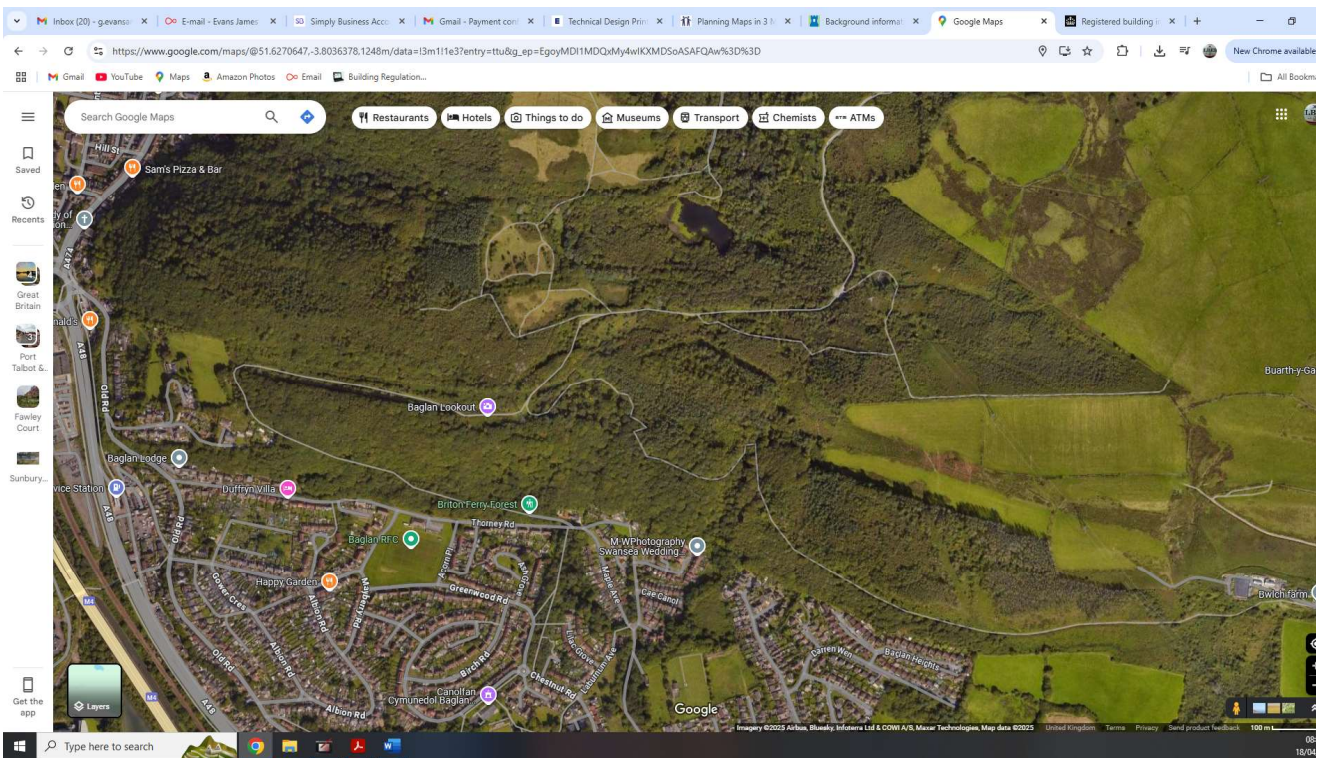
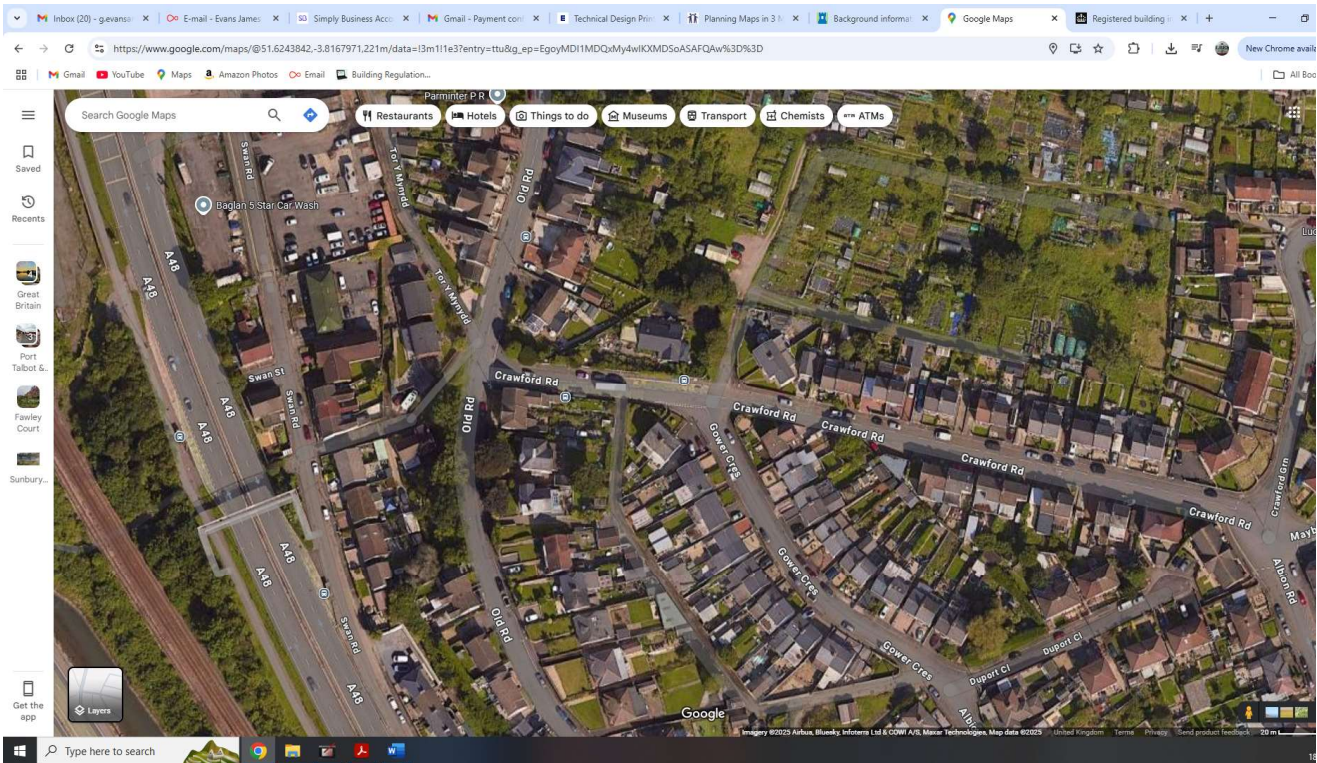


**View of side garden area**



**Front elevation view with small lawn, mature shrubbery, brickwork boundary walls and concrete path and steps to front door**

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



**Development Impacts:**

The proposed rear extension will be sited 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 in close proximity 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.        18<sup>th</sup> April 2025