

Green Infrastructure Statement:

Minor Development / Homeowner

Site Address: 126 Victoria Road, Sandfields, Port Talbot SA12 6AR

Proposed Development: New front roof canopy

Site description: The property is a semi-detached property with front, side and rear areas. The front area consists of a small lawn, some mature shrubbery, and gravel driveway. All boundaries remain unaltered. To the side of the property is a small porch extension and paved entrance area. The rear area has a large lawn and patio.



Front area of property with gravel driveway, lawn and mature shrubbery

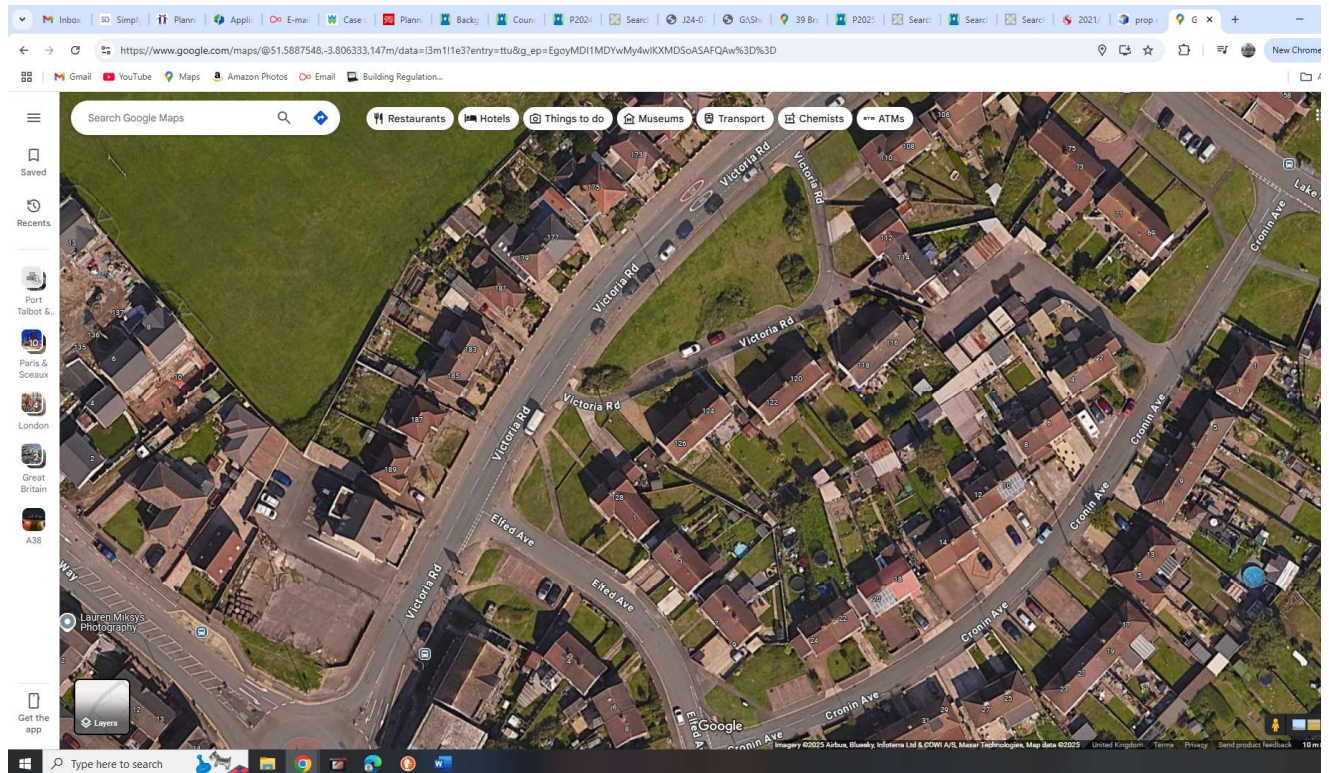


Small lawn area and location of proposed roof canopy



Front boundary wall and small lawn area to neighbouring boundary with some mature shrubbery

Surrounding Area description: The application site is in the area of Sandfields and just on the outskirts of Port Talbot town centre. Similar properties surround the site, as can be seen in the image below.



Development Impacts:

The proposed roof canopy will be attached to the front of the property. This means no green space, habitats or biodiversity will be removed or even disturbed as part of this small development.

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. 7th June 2025