

Green Infrastructure Statement

9 Brynhyfryd, Glynneath, Neath SA11 5BA

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Introduction

This Green Infrastructure Statement has been produced to accompany a householder planning application for a replacement single-storey side and rear extension. Its aim is to address the updated Chapter 6 of National Planning Policy, which sets out requirements for biodiversity and ecological enhancement measures through the implementation of green infrastructure, commensurate to the scope of the development.

Site Description

The host dwelling is one of two semi-detached, two-storey dwellings, and has been historically extended in an ad-hoc fashion with a part masonry part polycarbonate utility room and masonry shed with fibreglass roof, both of which have tightly fitted eaves and no overhangs. The application site is clearly defined on all sides by boundary walls or fences.

Surrounding Area Description

The application site is located in a cul-de-sac location off a public highway and is neighboured by dwellings of similar age, style, and typology, all of which have been extended to various degrees historically.



Figure 1 - Brynhyfryd, Glynneath

Development Impacts

The proposed development is moderate in scope, replacing existing structures or hard landscaping and will therefore only marginally extend the footprint of the existing dwelling. It will result in no loss of trees, shrubs,

or lawn. Given the construction of the existing extensions to be demolished, there is no opportunity for either bat or bird roosts, and the works will therefore have no adverse effects on biodiversity on the site.

Biodiversity Enhancements Proposed

The proposals are not ecologically neutral, but enhance biodiversity opportunity on the site through implementation of 2 no. bird boxes shown on the drawings, which will remain in situ in perpetuity and be installed within three months of completion of the works.

Conclusion

The proposed development provides bird nesting locations where none currently exists, therefore providing biodiversity enhancement commensurate to the scope of the development, in accordance with the updated Chapter 6 of National Planning Policy.