

Green Infrastructure Statement:

Minor Development / Homeowner

Site Address: 2 Lupin Close, Sandfields, Port Talbot SA12 7AR

Proposed Development: Front Porch Extension

Site description: The property is a semi-detached property with front, side and rear areas. The front area consists of a concrete driveway, two small lawn areas and some mature shrubbery. The side contains a concrete paved path leading to the rear garden. The rear area is made up of a mix of paved patio areas and a small lawn. There are timber fence panels and blockwork walls to the boundaries, all of which will remain untouched.



Partial view of front garden area with blockwork boundary walls, lawn and concrete driveway. Some mature shrubbery can be seen, this will all remain untouched.



View of other side of front garden area with blockwork walls, lawn and concrete driveway and paths



Front elevation showing location where the front porch will be sited.

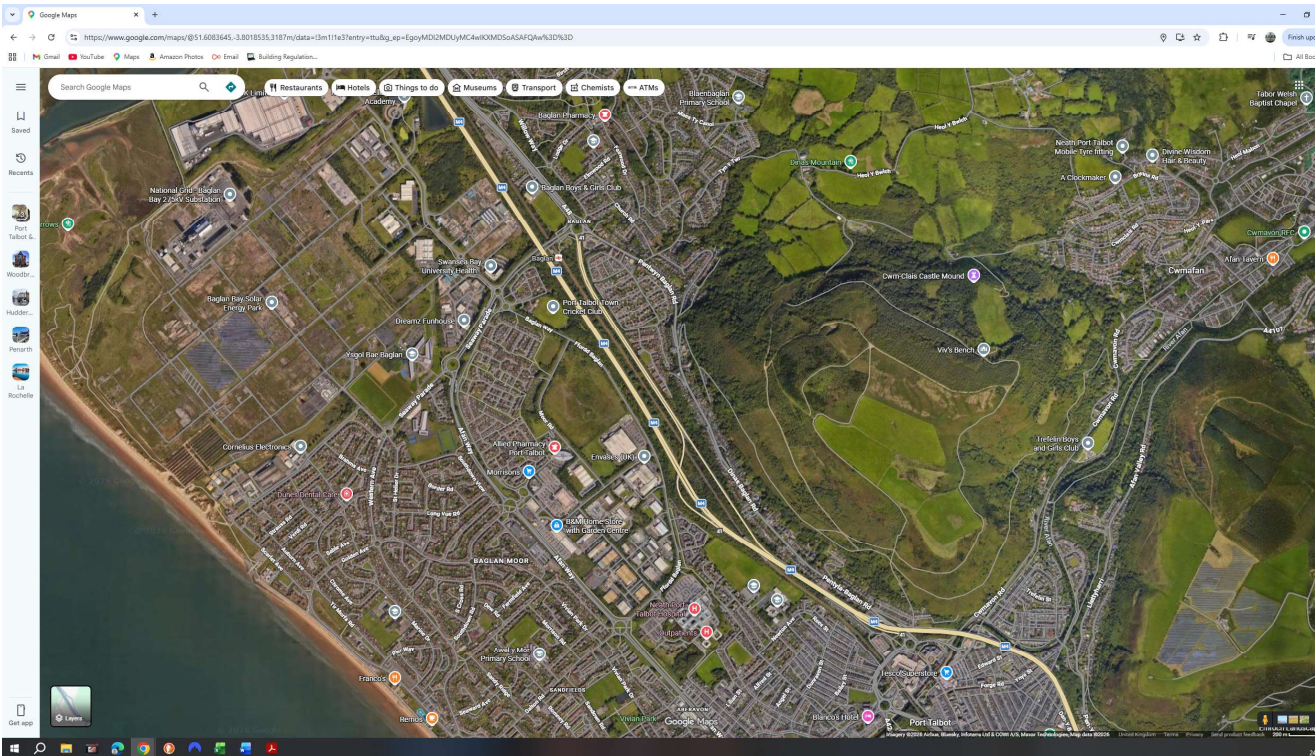
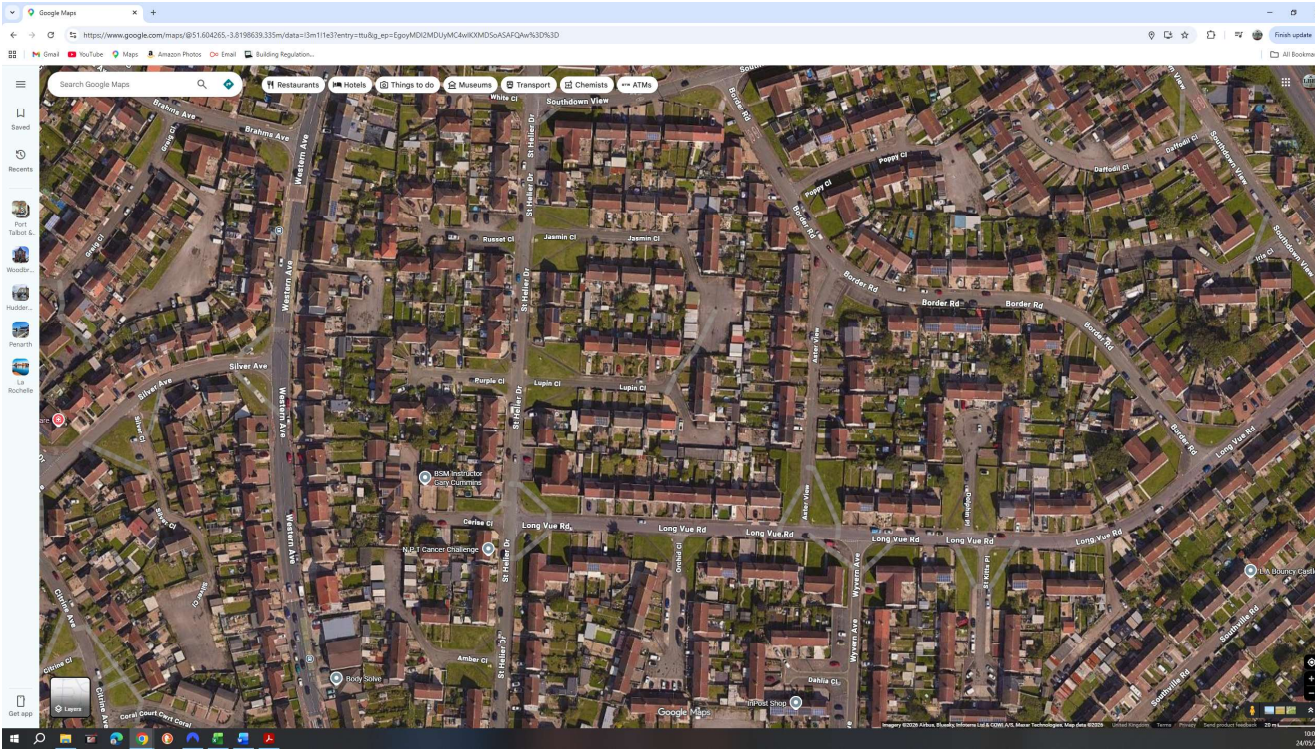


Front garden view showing lawns, concrete driveway and blockwork boundary walls



Rear garden area with concrete paving patio areas, blockwork and timber fence panel boundaries. Small lawn to the rear area.

Surrounding Area description: The application site is in the village of Sandfields, on the outskirts of Port Talbot town centre. Similar properties surround the site, as can be seen in the first image. The second image shows the vast areas of habitats and green space available in the near surrounding areas.



Development Impacts:

The proposed small porch extension will be sited on top of a concrete paved area which means no green space or habitats will be removed as part of the project. All existing mature shrubbery on the site will remain in place and no lawn space will be removed. There will be no effect to the biodiversity of the existing site.

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.

Signed JHEvans

Dated. 20th May 2026