

Green Infrastructure Statement

Site Address: Briton Ferry Steel Cricket Club, Ynysmaerdy Road, Briton Ferry, Neath Port Talbot, SA11 2TE

Proposed Development: Proposed construction of 2no. outdoor padel courts including raised platform to enable them.

Site description: The site currently comprises hardstanding adjacent to outdoor cricket nets on the eastern edge of the wider cricket club.

Surrounding area description: The immediate surrounding area consists of a range of sport and leisure uses including a children's play area and small concrete football pitch to the east, and the cricket club and bowls club to the west.

Development Impacts:

The proposal will not directly impact any existing green infrastructure. A Lighting Assessment has been submitted which demonstrates there will also be no indirect impact on the adjacent tree belt by way of light spill.

Biodiversity Enhancements Proposed

To deliver an enhancement in biodiversity, it is proposed to install 3 bird boxes adjacent to the site around the wider cricket club. A plan has been provided showing the fence where these will be located.

These boxes will be manufactured with woodstone which will provide nesting opportunities in perpetuity. An example of the type of bird box that will be installed can be found at [Schwegler 1B Bird Box - 32mm hole](#).

Conclusion.

It is considered that subject to the above, that the proposed development would maintain, build resilient ecological networks and deliver net benefits for biodiversity by providing additional facilities for nesting birds that may use the site and surrounding area, ensuring that any adverse environmental effects are avoided.

Signed,



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