

Biodiversity Enhancement Statement

4 Arun Street, Arundel, West Sussex. BN18 9DL.

In relation to the ADC policy framework these development proposals include

a) Sustainably manage land and water environments;

The existing systems on site are to be utilised and enhanced.

b) Protect and provide more, better and joined up natural habitats;

There are already numerous bird boxes on the site, which are used successfully each year. These will remain on site, and further boxes will be added. Birds and wildlife are actively encouraged to site at present, and the owners have a willingness for this to continue and to be enhanced.

c) Conserve water resources and improve water quality;

Existing water butts will be retained and additional water containers added.

d) Manage and mitigate the risk of flooding;

Paths and paved areas have porous surfaces. Therefore, surface water will naturally soak into the ground, as existing. The site does not flood and the proposed development will not change this.

e) Improve the resilience to, and mitigation of, climate change;

Consideration will be given to the installation of solar panels to the existing building.

f) Increase the ability to store carbon through new planting or other means;

The applicant is continually rotating and adding to the planting, which are purchased locally. Including mature specimens.

g) Conserve and enhance soils;

The proposed development will not adversely affect the soils on the site.