

Biodiversity Enhancement Statement
27 Countisbury Close Aldwick PO21 3QW

This statement outlines how the proposed development will protect and enhance the existing onsite natural environment, in accordance with Arun District Council's local validation requirements and Policy ENV DM5:

Arun District Council's Policy ENV DM5 focuses on the protection, conservation, and enhancement of biodiversity and the wider natural environment within the district. The policy requires that all development proposals demonstrate a clear understanding of their ecological context and avoid harm to habitats, species, and ecological networks wherever possible.

The application proposes conversion of the loft to habitable use with front and rear dormers, new front porch and alterations to fenestration.

The homeowner is committed to integrating biodiversity enhancements into the project and wherever possible to support local wildlife, and promote a healthy ecosystem.

The proposal will preserve all existing natural features and retain all grassed areas, planting and hedges within the site.

Any external lighting used for the extension will be kept to a minimum and directed downwards to reduce light spill. This measure also helps protect nocturnal wildlife, particularly bats, which are sensitive to artificial lighting.

A bird box will be located on the building following completion of the works