

Biodiversity Enhancement Statement

Project: Address: Lavender Cottage, Shripney Lane, Bersted, West Sussex, PO22 9NR
Subject: Biodiversity Enhancement Statement
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Application for Discharge of Condition No.8 (BE/10/25/S73)

1.0 Introduction

This statement has been prepared in support of the householder planning application for a proposed dwelling at the property known as Lavender Cottage, Shripney Lane, Bersted, West Sussex, PO22 9NR. The site has an area of 0.10ha comprising a detached single storey dwelling with a detached single garage and driveway and areas of lawn to the front and rear.

2.0 Proposals

Opportunities to enhance existing habitats at the property are limited by the amenity use of hardstanding and areas of regularly mown lawn to the front of the site. The following measures are considered to be an enhancement to the existing biodiversity on the site.

- Addition of bird boxes to the existing rear garden to be fixed to existing retained tree as indicated (Figure 1.);
- New landscaping to comprise laurel hedgerow and planted beds of herbaceous plants and shrubs (Figure 6.);
- Installation of an insect hotel at low-level in existing retained tree as indicated (Figure 3.);
- The retention of a log pile in a shaded corner to the north of the plot below the existing retained hazel tree;
- Siting of a bat box at high level in existing retained tree, facing south/southwest (Figure 2.);
- Section of lawn to remain unmown surrounding the retained detached garage and the dwelling to allow wildflowers and clovers to bloom providing foraging opportunities (Figures 5 & 6.).

3.0 Conclusion

The above measures are considered to comprise a proportionate response to the provision of biodiversity enhancements across the site with respect to the proposals. The development as such will not result in a net loss to local biodiversity and will maintain and protect the existing biodiversity across the site.

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Fig.1 Caudon general purpose bird box



Fig.2 Caudon general purpose bat box



Fig.3 Hanging bug and bee hotel



Fig.4 Northwest corner of the site

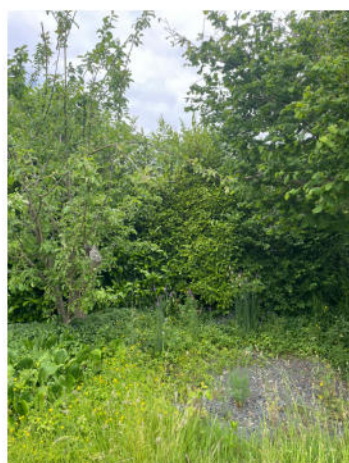


Fig.5 Southeast corner of the site

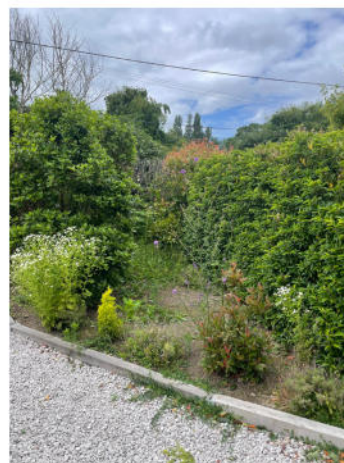


Fig.6 Eastern boundary of the site