



Biodiversity Statement to accompany Householder Planning Application at;

9 Sea Drive, Ferring

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Background:

The proposal seeks permission to extend the current property with front two storey extensions and boundary wall and gates.

The site currently comprises of low quality grassed residential lawns to front and rear gardens, bounded to the south with a low wall and mix of garden shrubs and low hedge. The rear has a large hedge enclosure that will remain. The neighbouring boundary to the west is separated by a mixed species hedge and remains unaffected by the proposals. There is one non-native cordyline tree on site that will be felled. There are no water bodies on or passing through the site.

The application is a Householder Application and is exempt from demonstrating Biodiversity Net Gain requirements. However Arun DC require a Biodiversity Statement for All planning applications.

Biodiversity Statement:

The site is not significant in likelihood of supporting existing habitat but currently has some opportunity for improving on site factors.

The proposals would therefore not cause any detriment or harm to existing ecology sites, especially any of those of priority species.

Within the application site, the applicants would propose to incorporate the following measures to improve on site biodiversity.

One bug hotel affixed onto the wall of the existing summer house and one bird box to the eastern elevation on the main house, below eaves level.

New planting to the garden will be encouraged with bee friendly flower species to enhance the current evergreen shrubs.

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