

Biodiversity Enhancement Statement

85 Bayford Road, Littlehampton, West Sussex, BN17 5HW

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Dear Sir/Madam,

Re: Biodiversity Enhancement Statement – Change of Use to Residential

I am submitting this Biodiversity Enhancement Statement in support of the proposed change of use of the property from a guest house (business use) to a residential dwelling.

The site comprises a three-storey property located within an urban residential area. The property benefits from a private rear garden which includes a water feature, fruit trees, several established trees, and a bird feeder. These existing features already provide some ecological value by supporting birds, insects, and other urban wildlife.

The proposal is for a change of use only, with no internal or external building works planned. As such, there will be no loss of existing habitats or features of ecological value. All existing garden elements, including trees, planting, and the water feature, will be retained and maintained.

Although the development does not result in any adverse impact on biodiversity, small-scale enhancements will be incorporated in line with current planning policy and biodiversity net gain principles. These include the installation of bird boxes and bat boxes to provide additional nesting and roosting opportunities, along with the continued maintenance of the garden, water feature, and bird feeding to support local wildlife.

Given the nature of the proposal and the inclusion of these measures, the development will deliver a modest but meaningful enhancement to biodiversity within the site.

I trust this statement satisfies the requirements for biodiversity considerations associated with this application.

Yours faithfully,

Kim Bowman