

M/43/26/HH – Proposed First Floor Extension, including internal and external alterations - 36 Southdean Drive Middleton-On-Sea P022 7SX

Biodiversity Enhancement Statement

1. Introduction

The proposal relates to the extension and refurbishment of an existing dwelling within an established residential curtilage. The works are confined to the existing residential plot and do not involve the loss of protected trees, designated habitats or other features of ecological significance.

2. Existing Site

The site comprises an existing detached dwelling with a private rear garden containing managed lawn, ornamental planting, boundary hedging and domestic outbuildings.

The proposed works are principally limited to first-floor accommodation and external alterations, with no significant disturbance to the existing garden or landscaping.

3. Biodiversity Considerations

The proposal has been designed to minimise any impact on the existing natural environment. Existing boundary planting and garden landscaping will be retained and protected throughout the construction period, and no mature trees or established hedgerows are proposed to be removed.

Construction activities and waste management will be undertaken in accordance with good site practice to avoid unnecessary disturbance to existing vegetation and wildlife.

Given the nature and scale of the proposal, together with the absence of any ecological constraints, the development is not considered to have an adverse impact on biodiversity.

4. Conclusion

The proposed development represents a modest extension to an existing dwelling that has been designed to protect the existing natural environment and retain the site's established landscaping. It is therefore considered to satisfy Arun District Council's Biodiversity Enhancement validation requirements.