

Green Infrastructure Statement

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Erection of a replacement AD slurry tower, powerhouse building and all associated works

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1. Statement

This Green Infrastructure Statement supports an application for the of a replacement AD slurry tower, powerhouse building adjacent to the existing farmyard and on land at Carreg Y Ffranc.

The proposed building is to be located on agricultural hardstanding which is heavily farmed so therefore is of very low ecological value and offers little potential and will not result in the removal of any trees or hedgerows. There are no directly adjacent hedges or trees, but all existing planting nearby will be retained. The site is adjacent to the established farmstead surrounded by buildings to the west. They will be built of similar size and design of the existing buildings which further decreases the possibility of the site having functioning ecosystems.

It is proposed that two bat boxes and one bird box will be erected on the southwest side of the nearby agricultural building. This will not only result in an overall biodiversity net gain but also provide connectivity for potential habitats off-site.

The client has taken a step wise approach to GIS as they have ensured the proposed will have no detrimental effect on the existing green infrastructure on site. Connectivity between potential habitats on adjacent sites will not be negatively impacted by the proposed building and there is no reason this will change.

The site is not within any statutory designated sites and should therefore be an acceptable location for the proposal. Off-site compensation is not required for the site as there will be no biodiversity affected. The client will ensure the management of the bat and bird boxes with any maintenance that may be required in the future to keep them in a usable condition.

It is clear the proposal does not have any adverse effect on biodiversity or ecosystem resilience and will only enhance potential species and habitats, therefore it should be considered acceptable.

The below satellite image shows the proposed site.



The proposed location of the bird and bat boxes:

