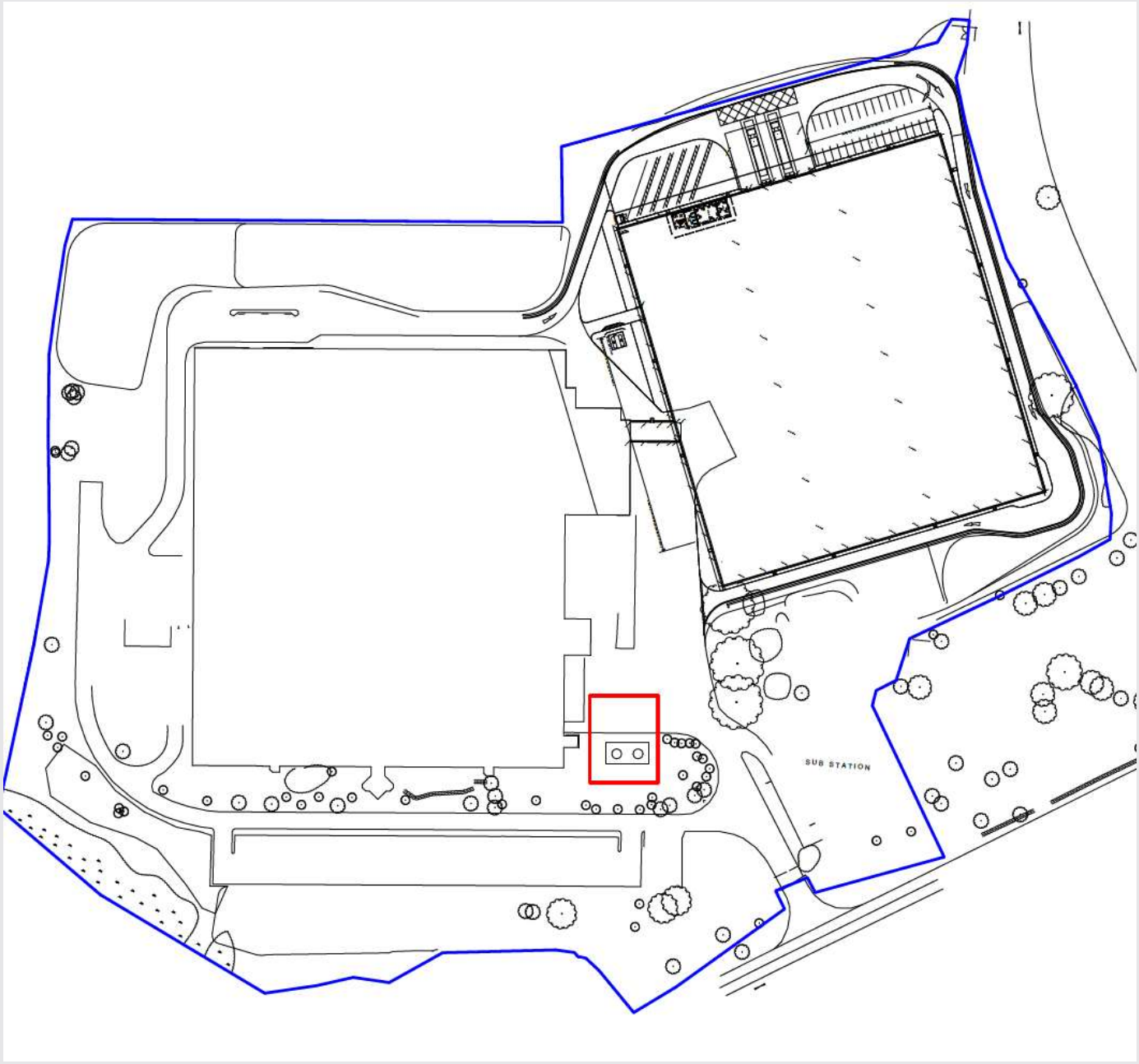

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1.0 Introduction

This Green Infrastructure Statement has been prepared by TACP Architects Ltd to support the planning application for the removal of an existing 40,000 litres underground tank. Replace the existing underground tank with 2 no. above-ground lacquer storage tanks each with a capacity of 40,000 litres. Proposed 2 no. above ground storage tanks to be placed on top of concrete foundation slab.

2.0 Existing Green Infrastructure

This section provides a summary of existing ecological features pertaining to the application site and the effect these features have on the environment.

The following surveys/ reports relevant to green infrastructure have been carried out on the application site and inform this Green Infrastructure Statement.

1. Preliminary Ecological Assessment Report by Cambrian Ecology Ltd DATED 18.11.2025
2. Ardagh Metal Packaging - Tree Constraints Summary by Tree 21 ltd, dated 13/11/2025.

The site and immediately adjacent land have been found to support the following existing ecological features:

1. Nearby trees
2. Prescence of Great Crested Newts
3. Potential for the presence of Bee orchids

These ecological features identified above make the following contributions towards identified environmental qualities/ processes:

- Improved air quality
- Habitat formation and biodiversity.
- The nearby trees/ woodland will provide mitigation for noise and visual pollution caused by the Ardagh plant.

3.0 Step-Wise Approach to Design

With respect to a concern for any adverse environmental effects on ecological networks, this section details how the Step-Wise Approach (ref. Planning Policy Wales, Section 6) has been considered in the design of the proposed development so as to ensure a net benefit for biodiversity can be achieved.

3.1 Step 01 – Avoid

Avoid damage to biodiversity and ecosystem functioning.
Where the located development may cause harmful environmental effects, there must be no other suitable alternative site locations.

- *The placement of the new slab for the new tanks has been done so as to not infringe on existing nearby trees*

3.2 Step 02 – Minimise

Minimise impact on biodiversity and ecosystems.

- *The new tanks will be sited on previously-developed land and will only cause an impact to existing low-quality amenity grassland, thereby minimising impact on greenfield land or high-quality green infrastructure.*
- *Given the potential for the presence of bee orchids, following a further ecological survey during the active growing season, any identified orchids within the application site will be treated in accordance with the recommended methodologies as set out by the appointed ecologist, so as to minimise impact on the orchids.*

3.3 Step 03 – Mitigate/ Restore

Once measures to minimise impact have been exhausted and biodiversity/ ecosystems could still be damaged or lost through residual impact, measures must be put in place to limit the negative effects of a development, with plans to restore in excess of like-for-like.

- *There will be no residual impact on existing green infrastructure after having remedied any impact in the previous steps to avoid and minimise impact.*

3.4 Step 04 – Compensate On-Site

A last resort, if measures to mitigate impact are not fully sufficient to secure biodiversity outcomes, on-site compensation should be employed.

- *There will be no residual impact on existing green infrastructure after having remedied any impact in the previous steps to avoid and minimise impact.*

3.5 Step 05 – Compensate Off-Site

A last resort, if all above measures not fully sufficient to secure biodiversity outcomes, off-site compensation should be employed.

- *There will be no residual impact on existing green infrastructure after having remedied any impact in the previous steps to avoid and minimise impact.*

4.0 Proposed Ecological Enhancements

This section details what enhancements to the environment have been included in plans for the proposed development. These enhancements are understood to be suitable and relevant if they make a positive contribution to the key attributes of ecosystems outlined in the DECCA framework (ref. Planning Policy Wales, Section 6).

1. Diversity – Animals/ Plants/ Geology
2. Extent – The size of an uninterrupted ecosystem
3. Condition – The health of an ecosystem
4. Connectivity – Functional and Physical connection of an environmental network
5. Adaptability to Change – Ability to withstand future pressures

4.1 Proposed Enhancement No.1

- A new bat box installed in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations on the South / South-East/ South-West facing elevation of a mature tree on identified grassed area.
- Box to suit common breeds of bats in North Wales (e.g. common pipistrelle, Soprano pipistrelle and Nathusius' pipistrelle) with one 15mm crevice and one 20mm crevice.



The installation of this bat box will enhance the net biodiversity around the site. This ecological enhancement is considered to be both relevant and beneficial to the green infrastructure around the site given that:

- The area identified for installation of the bat box is a suitable orientation for bats.

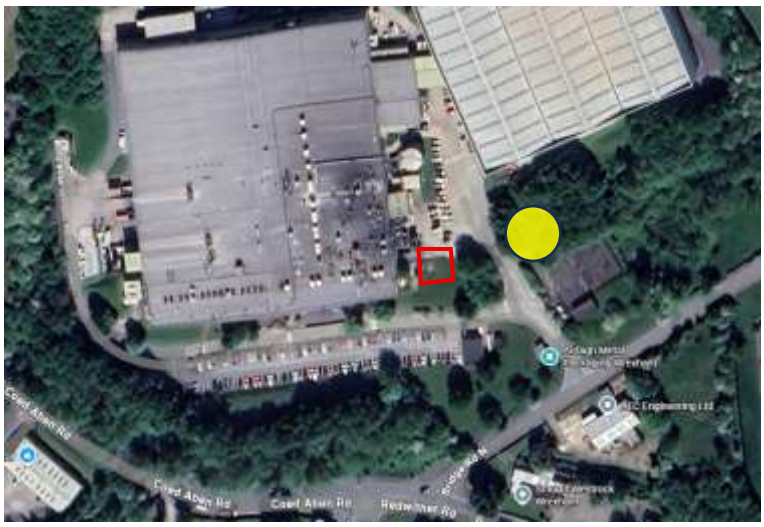


Fig.03 – The image above shows the type of bat box to be installed
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Fig.04 – The image to the left identifies the area in yellow on which the proposed bat box is to be installed on a mature tree.
The outline is red is the application site.

5.0 Management Plan for Proposed Measures

In order to provide assurance that an overall net benefit for biodiversity can be achieved within as short a timeframe as possible, it is necessary to provide details of how the proposed development is to be managed in order to succeed in its immediate execution and long-term maintenance.

The following arrangements will be crucial for the successful implementation of the proposed measures:

- Bat box to be installed by contractor as part of the contracted works.
- Long-term maintenance information to be included in the handover documents given to the client.
- Client to incorporate maintenance of the bat box along with their site-wide landscaping management.
- Adherence to recommended methodologies as set out by appointed ecologist throughout development.

6.0 Conclusion

This document has provided a comprehensive assessment of existing green infrastructure that pertains to the application site and the steps taken in the design of the proposal to avoid, minimise and mitigate any adverse effect on this infrastructure. Plans have been shared to compensate for any remaining detriment to existing ecological features. Following this we have also shared plans for how we propose for the planned development to contribute a net benefit to the local ecological network with a supplement of ecological enhancements.