

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: P/22/0122 | Renewal of planning permission P/19/0087 for residential development | Former Ffynon Beili Well Street Cefn Coed Merthyr Tydfil

Scrubbed-over site close to grassland, woodland pockets and wooded river corridor.

Designated sites within 500m of the application site:

- Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) – x1 Cwm Taf Fechan Woodlands, c.76m from site;
- Local Nature Reserve (LNR) – x1 Cwm Taf Fechan Woodlands, c.76m from site;
- Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) – x5 closest, Cwm Taf Fechan, c.69m from site;
- Wildlife Trust Reserve – x1 Taf Fechan, c.230m from site;
- Ancient Semi Natural Woodland (ASNW) – x1;
- Restored Ancient Woodland Site (RAWS) – x4;
- Within a Buglife B-Lines Area.

Priority and protected species within 500m of the application site:

- Birds (including Schedule 1¹ and Section 7² species);
- Fungi (including Section 7² species);
- Invertebrates (including marsh fritillary butterfly, closest record, c.1172m from site and other Section 7² species);
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- Bats (closest roost record for lesser horseshoe bat, c.113m from site);
- Otter;
- Badger;
- Hedgehog;
- Reptiles;
- Amphibians (including great crested newt, closest record c1025m from site);
- Vascular plants (including Section 7² species).

A Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (PEA) of the site (undertaken by a suitably qualified and experienced ecologist) is required. This must provide sufficient information for the local planning authority to assess any potential adverse impacts of the proposed

¹ Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended)

² Environment (Wales) Act 2016

development on priority and protected species and/or habitats, or to identify what further information is required before a full assessment is possible.

The results of the PEA will be used to inform whether further surveys are required, or to establish the need for and extent of any mitigation and compensation measures required as part of the proposed development.

An Aderyn data search is required from SEWBReC (Package C 2km).

There will need to be enhancement of the site in line with the Environment (Wales) Act 2016.