

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: P/19/0177 Creation of horse exercise area at Land At The Paddocks Nant-y-Fedw Bedlinog

In relation to the above application please find the following observations:

The site is situated within a landscape that is to be designated as a Special Landscape Area within the Local Development Plan. It is important that the development does not work against the conservation and enhancement of semi-natural habitats. The strong character of irregular upland field scape and settlement pattern should also be preserved.

Arresting the decline, and maintaining the field pattern framework should be of paramount importance through the enhancement of key elements of agricultural landscape should be a prime element of the design.

The proposed development is an intrusive construction within the landscape framework and adds elements that are not conducive to the nature of existing field pattern boundaries through the use of retained gabion stone filled baskets.

As a development that has a loose relationship to agricultural uses, the nature of the construction is very much engineered in approach. It is concluded to make the proposed development acceptable, complimentary native planting along the east, south and west boundaries are required. Such planting should incorporate native hedgerow species together with a number of native tree species. It is therefore recommended that a re-draw is required to illustrate how the proposed retaining structures are to be concealed and the character of field boundary species introduced.

Tom Bramley – Landscape Architect