

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: P/23/0145 | Erection of two dwellings | Winfield 10 School Road Troedyrhiw Merthyr Tydfil CF48 4JS

Documents submitted in support of the above application:

1. Land at Celtic Bunkhouse. A Walkover Preliminary Ecological Appraisal. Version 1 (Draft). Dated 17.07.2023
2. Site Plan (932.11) A. revised 20/09/23, AJ
3. Elevations (932.05) A. revised 20/09/23, AJ
4. Elevation (932.09) A. revised 20/09/23, AJ
5. Elevation (932.10) A. revised 20/09/23, AJ

COMMENTS

Report amendments.

- The report will be acceptable, with the following amendments:
 - The *Executive Summary* states 'No1 Integrated Eco Bat Box (or similar - Appendix) on south-west gable of each new unit. These to be fitted at a height of >3m*'. The following alternative model (or equivalent), for example, might be preferred as they are less obtrusive in design:
<https://www.nhbs.com/habibat-bat-box-plain-for-rendering>
 - Page 8 – The sparrow terraces will also be integrated within the buildings. The sparrow terrace model on the webpage below (again with a more unobtrusive design) may be more appropriate:
<https://www.birdbrickhouses.co.uk/shop/>

Other requirements

- All recommendations as set out within an amended Document 1 will be followed. Document 1 will therefore become an approved document within the planning permission decision notice.
- The bat friendly lighting scheme as set out on page 6 is required (this must include a demonstration of dark areas for bats and dark routes to and from the proposed bat boxes). It must also include external and internal lighting. This will ideally be submitted prior to planning determination, but could alternatively be the subject of an appropriately worded planning condition.
- Document 2 does not include the integrated bat and bird box positions – can these please be added.
- Document 3 – both boxes will be incorporated into the cladded angled sections to keep them away from the windows.

- Documents 4 and 5 show the sparrow terraces – one on the western elevation of one unit and one on the eastern elevation of the other. The sparrow terrace on the western elevation will be removed.