

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

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**SUBJECT: P/19/0318 2 LAND SOUTH OF BRONDEG & WEST OF UPPER COLLIERS ROW,
HEOLGERRIG**

Application to extend the period of time for the submission of reserved matters relating to outline planning permission P/16/0344 (Variation OF Condition).

The site includes grassland and woodland habitat, which is suitable for a range of priority and protected species. Part of the site is found within Cwm Glo Site of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC). The site is immediately adjacent to a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) - Cwm Glo a Glyndyrys and a Natural Resources Wales (NRW) Priority Area - Heathland and Grassland. The site is also within 500m of an Ancient Semi Natural Woodland (ASNW) designation.

Ecological surveys undertaken previously in connection with this site are out of date and will need to be repeated.

Therefore, an up-to-date preliminary ecological appraisal (PEA) will be required in order to inform whether further surveys are necessary. The site appears to be suitable for commuting and foraging bats. The PEA should therefore assess the level of suitability of the habitat together with the impact the proposals will have on this habitat.

I envisage further surveys may include, but not be limited to, the following:

- Reptile surveys
- GCN surveys of nearby pond and assessment of the onsite habitat for newts in their terrestrial phase to inform whether a terrestrial survey for GCN required.
- Manual bat activity transect surveys coupled with an automated/static activity surveys (number of visits to be informed by the habitat assessment during the PEA)
- Otter survey
- Marsh Fritillary butterfly survey
- Fungi survey

An up-to-date Aderyn commercial data enquiry from SEWBReC (PACKAGE C or above) will also be required.