

Green Infrastructure Statement:

Site Address: 114 High Street Merthyr Tydfil CF47 8PA

Proposed Development: Change of use of 1st 2nd and 3rd floors to 2 self-contained flats and single storey rear extension

Site description: The existing property is a commercial building located in the central commercial area of Merthyr Tydfil. The property sits within its own footprint and has no external space apart from a small rear yard that will house the small new staircase extension and bin store for the commercial area. The front of the building faces Merthyr High Street and is 4 storeys building with the rear elevation on to a rear lane.

Surrounding Area description: The property is located within a long row of commercial premises and fronts on to the high street which is a one-way system

Existing Green Features:

As mentioned above the site has a small external space and there is no green infrastructure on the property.

Development Impacts:

There is no impact upon the green infrastructure as none exists.

Biodiversity Enhancements Proposed

As there are no green infrastructure and no external space to install any, there are no proposals to install any.

Bats /Birds

In line with the National Planning Policy Framework, the development should aim to enhance the site for bats.

Unfortunately, the area is within the commercial area of Merthyr Tydfil and is subject to uncontrolled noise and light, however, to enhance the possibilities of biodiversity a Beaumaris bat box and Schwegler bird box are to be installed to the rear elevation facing onto post office lane. There is no proposals to introduce any additional lighting to the rear elevation or yard.



Beaumaris Bat Box.



1SP Schwegler Sparrow Terrace

Conclusion.

As discussed above there is only a small rear yard that has no biodiversity and there is no scope to introduce any. However although the location of the building is within the busy central area of Merthyr Tydfil it is proposed to install a bird and bat box to the rear elevation.