

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: P/21/0170 | DEMOLITION OF INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS AND ERECTION OF 14 DWELLINGS AND 6 APARTMENTS (OUTLINE) | BRYNTAF GARAGE 105 BRYNTAF ABERFAN MERTHYR TYDFIL CF48 4PJ

The site is situated in the south of Aberfan along the western edge. Nearby habitat includes woodland, trees, grassland, scrub, cliff face, drain/stream, garden.

Designated sites within 500m of the application site:

- Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC) – x3 (closest: West of Aberfan, 33m);
- Ancient Semi Natural Woodland (ASNW) – x6;
- Plantation on Ancient Woodland Site (PAWS) – x1;
- NRW Priority Area (Woodland) – x1.

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

- Birds (including, for example, cliff-nesting peregrine and other Schedule 1¹ species);
- Fungi (including Section 7² species);
- Invertebrates (including Section 7² species);
- Bats (closest roost record for unidentified bat species, 174m from site);
- Otter;
- Hedgehog;
- Vascular plants (including Section 7 species²).

A Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (PEA) of the site (to include a Preliminary Roost Assessment (PRA) for bats and nesting birds of onsite buildings and any trees impacted by the proposed development) is required. The survey work must be undertaken by undertaken by a suitably qualified and experienced ecologist. The PEA and PRA must provide sufficient information for the local planning authority to assess any potential adverse impacts of the proposed 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 and PRA 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.

¹ Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended)

² Environment (Wales) Act 2016

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

Reports will not be accepted without data (SEWBReC unique reference number needs to be included).

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