

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

To: David Cross
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Memo number: 4
Date of previous memo: 02/11/2021
Date: 23/11/2021

**SUBJECT: P/21/0339 | REFURBISHMENT OF NEIGHBOURHOOD LEARNING CENTRE
COMPRISING THE RE-CLADDING OF THREE BUILDINGS, THE CREATION OF 5 FLATS, A
WARDENS ACCOMMODATION IN BUILDING 2 INSTALLATION OF SOLAR PANELS AND
ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPING WORKS | 17 - 32 MTCBC GURNOS WORKSHOPS PEN-Y-DRE
GURNOS MERTHYR TYDFIL**

Documents provided in support of the above application:

1. Proposed Site Layout & External Works Drawing No. TS1457-PL-21 B Rev. November 2021. ***Date received 23.11.21***
2. Ecological Assessment. The Neighbourhood Learning Centre, 17-20 Pen-y-Dre, Merthyr Tydfil. Be Ecological Ltd. 04th November 2021. Issue 1. VD. ***Date received 23.11.21***
3. Landscape Management and Maintenance Plan. Refurbishment to the Neighbourhood Learning Centre, Gurnos. TS1457 Revision A: Wild flower and grasses mix added. September 2021. ***Date received 23.11.21***
4. Electrical Engineering Services External Lighting – Front Elevation. Neighbourhood Learning Centre – Gurnos. Project 1457. Drawing status – TENDER, Revision T1. 00 DR E 016. ***Date received 23.11.21***

Comments Documents 1 and 4:

- Colour temperature shown on Document 4 is 4000K. This needs to be 3000K. This will now be dealt with by condition – see below.

Planning conditions:

1. Evidence that all mitigation, compensation and enhancement as set out in documents 1, 2 and 3 above has been properly undertaken will be provided post-development. A letter-style report or e-mail will be submitted and will require written approval from the LPA ecologist in order to discharge the condition.
2. An establishment, maintenance and management plan for all newly proposed planting is required. The plan will require written approval from the LPA ecologist in order to discharge the condition.

3. A condition will be added to the decision notice requiring the correct spec to be provided and for luminaires of 3000K to be installed. Written approval from the LPA ecologist will be required in order to discharge the condition.

Advisory notes:

The following advisory notes will be added to the decision notice (should planning be granted):

BATS

Warning: A European Protected Species (EPS) Licence is required for this development.

This planning permission does not provide consent to undertake works that require an EPS licence.

It is an offence to deliberately kill, injure, capture or disturb a bat or to recklessly damage or destroy their breeding sites or resting places. If found guilty of any offences, you could be sent to prison for up to 6 months and/or receive an unlimited fine. To undertake works within the law, you can obtain further information on the need for a licence from Natural Resources Wales on 0300 065 3000 or at <https://naturalresources.wales/permits-and-permissions/species-licensing/apply-for-a-protected-species-licence/bat-licences/?lang=en>

NESTING BIRDS

All birds, their nests and eggs are protected by law under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) while they are breeding.

If works to any trees, hedgerows and/or other nesting bird habitat (including buildings with suitable features) are to be undertaken, they will take place outside of the bird nesting season. If the works must be undertaken during the nesting season (generally from 1st March until 31st August, although birds are known to nest outside of these dates in suitable conditions), a breeding bird survey will be required and must be carried out by a suitably qualified ecologist. Any active nests identified will be protected until the young have fledged.

Where a Schedule 1 species (as defined in the Wildlife and Countryside Act - <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/1981/69/schedule/1>) is involved, compensation for impacts, e.g., loss of nesting sites, will be devised and implemented.