

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: P/22/0319 | Discharge of conditions 3 (method statement & risk assessment), 4 (bird and bat boxes) and 5 (landscaping) of planning permission P/22/0203 | Maestaf Street Bridge Pentrebach Merthyr Tydfil

Planning Condition 4

Prior to works commencing on site, details for the provision of three bat boxes and two bird boxes together with details of their location within the site, shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the local planning authority. The bat and bird boxes shall be installed in accordance with the approved details before the new bridge is brought into beneficial use.

Reason - To provide biodiversity and environmental enhancements in accordance with Policy EnW1 of the Merthyr Tydfil Replacement Local Development Plan.

Document supplied to discharge Planning Condition 4

Maestaf Bridge bat and bird box locations, date received 12/09/2022

This document is acceptable and Planning Condition 4 can now be discharged.

Planning Condition 5

No development or site clearance shall take place until there has been submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority a scheme of landscaping. The scheme shall include indications of all existing trees (including spread and species) and hedgerows on the land, identify those to be retained and set out measures for their protection throughout the course of development.

Reason - To ensure that the new development will be visually attractive in the interests of amenity and to accord with Policy SW11 of the Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council Replacement Local Development Plan.

Documents supplied to discharge Planning Condition 5

1. LA02.02.03524 Maestaf Bridge Soft Landscape Treatment 11-10-2022
2. LA02.02.71 Maestaf Street Bridge Replacement Soft Landscape Works. Drawing No. 004. Rev.02. Date 13/09/22

These documents are not acceptable for the following reasons:

- Document 1 appears to be a little generic and not that specific either to the site or indeed to Document 2. Document 1, therefore requires amendment to be more relevant to the site and the species within Document 2. For example:
 - Document 2 must be referenced within Document 1.
 - Although 'trees' and 'climbing plants used as ground cover' are referred to within Document 1, the species names (*Prunus spinosa*, *Crataegus monogyna*, *Hedera helix*) have not been included. These need to be added.
- Document 1 refers to Emorsgate seed mix EL34, but this is not included on Document 2. This needs to be added.
- Document 2 still refers to *Crataegus monogyna* '**Biflora**' (Glastonbury thorn). As previously requested, this will be changed to *Crataegus monogyna* (Hawthorn).

NB These changes are required before Planning Condition 5 can be discharged.
