

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: P/22/0073 | Change of use to create charity garden with beepod, greenhouse, apiary and pathway | Land Rear Of The Bothy Cyfarthfa Park Merthyr Tydfil CF47 8RE

Designated sites within 500m of the application site:

- Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI): x1 (Cwm Taf Fechan Woodlands, c.287m)
- Local Nature Reserve (LNR): x1 (Cwm Taf Fechan Woodlands, c.285m)
- Sites of Importance for Nature Conservation (SINC): x3 (closest, Cyfarthfa Park, c.86m)
- Ancient Semi Natural Woodland (ASNW): x1
- Restored Ancient Woodland Site (RAWS): x3 (**immediately adjacent to the western boundary of the site**)
- Within a Buglife B-Lines Area

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

- Birds (including Schedule 1¹ species);
- Fish (including Section 7² species);
- Invertebrates (including Section 7² species);
- Bats (closest roost record for unidentified bat species, c.199m from site);
- Otter;
- Hedgehog;
- Reptiles;
- Amphibians;
- Vascular plants (including Section 7² species).

A Preliminary Ecological Appraisal (PEA) of the site (undertaken by a suitably qualified and experienced ecologist) is required. This 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 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).

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