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To: Brinkworth, Emma (Planning Officer) <Emma.Brinkworth@newport.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: 25/0369 - 12 Allt-yr-Yn Court - Biodiversity Enhancements in Support of Proposed Porch

Good afternoon Emma,

I am writing in relation to my planning application for a proposed porch at 12 Allt-yr-yn Court NP20 5GF.

In line with the principles of biodiversity enhancement under Section 6 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016, I am committed to incorporating measures that will provide a net gain for local wildlife as part of this minor development. To support local biodiversity, I will implement the following enhancements:

1. Installation of Two Bat Boxes

I will install two bat boxes (Schwegler 2FR model) on nearby mature trees, in a location close to hedgerows and known bat foraging areas. Boxes will be installed at a minimum height of 4 metres, away from artificial lighting and in a south-east and south-west orientation to provide thermal variety. These boxes are durable, require no maintenance, and can support a range of crevice-dwelling bat species over time. They also serve an educational and conservation purpose by raising awareness of bat habitat needs.

2. Planting of Goldenrod (*Solidago canadensis*)

I will plant six specimens of *Solidago canadensis* (Goldenrod) within my garden borders. Goldenrod is a valuable late-flowering plant that supports a wide range of pollinators, including bees, butterflies, and beetles. It provides essential nectar and pollen in late summer and autumn when other sources are limited. It also acts as a larval host plant for various insect species, helping to sustain biodiversity into the next season.

In addition to the above, I am also considering planting a small wildflower area using species such as red clover, oxeye daisy, or yarrow.

These enhancements are modest but meaningful contributions to urban biodiversity, particularly for declining species such as bats, bees and butterflies. All measures are low-cost, low-maintenance, and compatible with the scale of development proposed. I trust these commitments will be sufficient to demonstrate my support for biodiversity within the planning framework.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require further detail, including a site plan or photographs.

Yours faithfully,

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