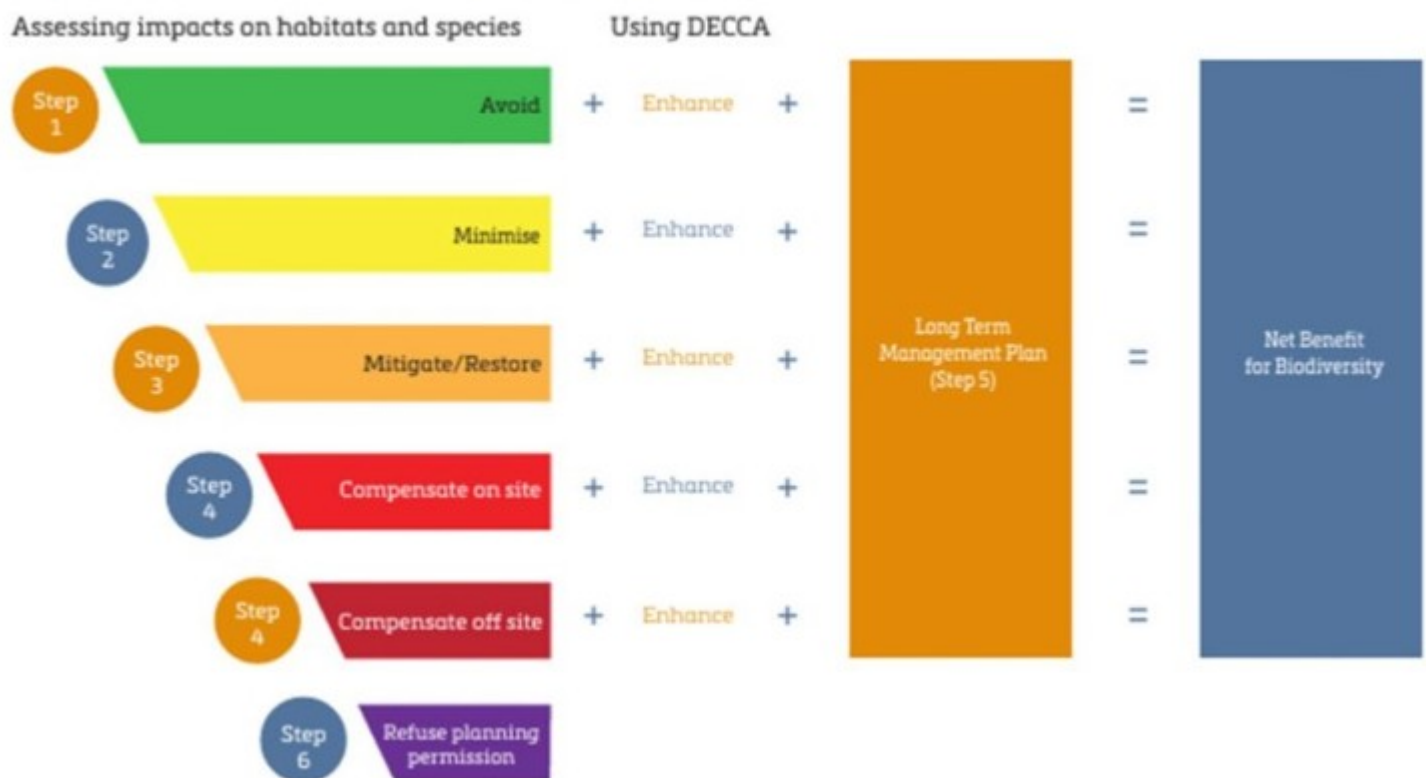


GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE STATEMENT & THE STEP WISE APPROACH

- In line with Paragraph 6.2.12 of Planning Policy Wales (PPW), a green infrastructure statement should be submitted with all planning applications. This will be proportionate to the scale and nature of the development proposed and will describe how green infrastructure has been incorporated into the proposal.
- PPW goes on to say, ‘the green infrastructure statement will be an effective way of demonstrating positive multi-functional outcomes which are appropriate to the site in question and must be used for demonstrating how the step-wise approach (Paragraph 6.4.15) has been applied’, as set out in Figure 12 of PPW12.

Figure 12: Summary of the Step-Wise Approach



Site Context

- The application site is a commercial industrial yard, with several steel frame industrial units. The area around these units are hard landscaped for the manoeuvring and parking of vehicles and goods.
- There is no natural habitat on site.
- Between the road edge and the fence line running down Kings Parade, self-sewn weeds can be seen.
- The nearest group of trees and planting can be seen on the entrance area from the road named USK way onto Portland Street, this is around 25m away from the site. Also of note is that USK way has trees planted along the length of the road. This provides areas for environmental and biodiversity gains.

Proposal

- It is proposed to construct a pair of steel palisade gates in the existing metal fence running along Kings Parade side of the site.
- The gates are to provide a secondary access, to provide an alternative if the main entrance is compromised.
- The proposed double gates will match that of the existing gates within the area and will be secure, with barb wire fencing above.
- The position and construction of the gates will not have any effect on surrounding greenery, hedges, or tree root zones, which there are none.

SITE PHOTOGRAPHS



PHOTOGRAPH 1 – Aerial View

Conclusion

- The proposal will have no effect on the green infrastructure of the site, due to the commercial nature of the site.
- Any improvement to the bio-diversity of the site, would be de-minus due to the commercial aspect of the site.
- Existing areas outside the application site, provide for the ecological of the area.