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Planning Dept.,
Newport City Council,
Civic Centre,
Newport.

PROPOSED CHANGE OF USE – 6, ALEXANDRA ROAD, NEWPORT.

GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE STATEMENT-

Dear Sir/Madam,

1. It is proposed to convert the property to a HMO. There are minimal external alterations to the front.
- 2.
3. The property is in an urban area. There are no trees and bushes in the garden to the rear.
4. The house is a pre-war period property and dates to over 120 years.
5. The Welsh Government issued updated Chapter 6 National Planning Policy Guidance in of Planning Policy Wales. The updated policy guidance recognises the value of green infrastructure within the built environment.
6. *“6.2.6 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.*

In the case of minor development this will be a short description and should not be an onerous requirement for applicants. 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 6.4.21) has been applied.”

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	Description	Assessment	Enhancement / Harm	Maintenance	Benefit
1	Bird Box (see below)	Positive	Bird nesting location provided	Low	Significant net benefits

7. The rear elevation shows the bird box. This elevation will not attract the heat of the sun during the Day. It is also the elevation with least disturbance.
8. The box approx. 7m high, located to the rear, is sheltered and will not cause overheating within the box.
9. Bird Boxes to be of natural, untreated wood. Specifically, rot-resistant woods like cedar, redwood, or cypress that are at least 3/4-inch thick are highly recommended. These materials provide excellent insulation, durability, and a natural environment that birds prefer.

Figure 12: Summary of the Step-Wise Approach



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Standard Bird Box



Swallow Type Bird Box

Conclusion

The proposed development will seek to follow a step wise approach in terms of avoiding, minimising and mitigating for impacts on Green Infrastructure and Biodiversity within the application site.

Through an appropriate assessment, design, management of development and proposed enhancements through a development scheme can be undertaken that protects, maintains, enhances and delivers net benefit to green infrastructure and biodiversity.

- The development will create a net positive to local biodiversity.
- The proposal provides an appropriate ecological enhancement to the scale of the development.
- The proposed ecological enhancement will be low maintenance through using quality products. The bird boxes are correctly located.

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