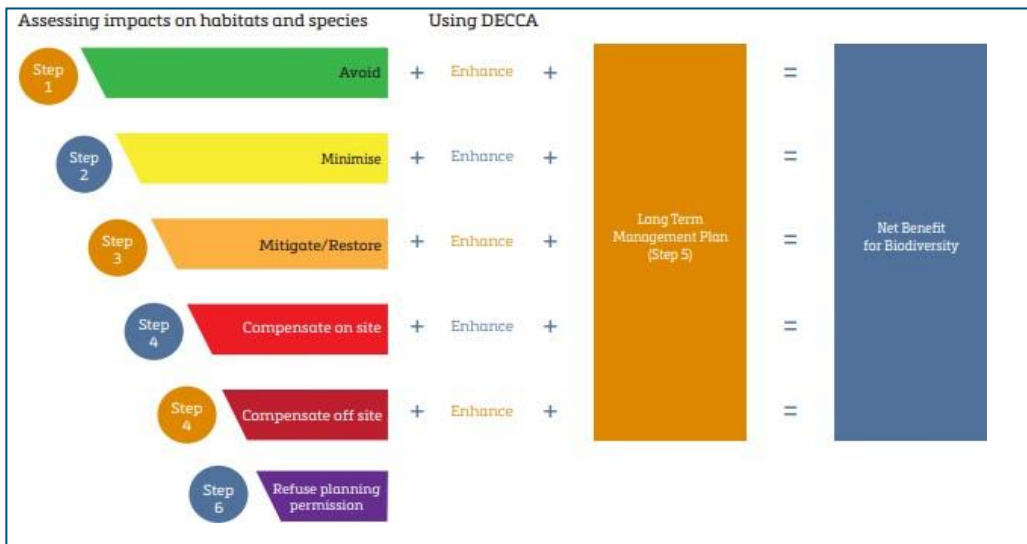


Green Infrastructure Statement

As per Planning Policy Wales, Edition 12, February 2024 a Green Infrastructure Statement is required to demonstrate how a step-wise approach has been considered in maintaining and enhancing biodiversity for the proposals. The statement should be proportionate to the scale and nature of the proposed development. Only a short description is required for more minor developments such as household applications.

The figure below provides a summary of the stepwise approach as set out in Chapter 6 of PPW.

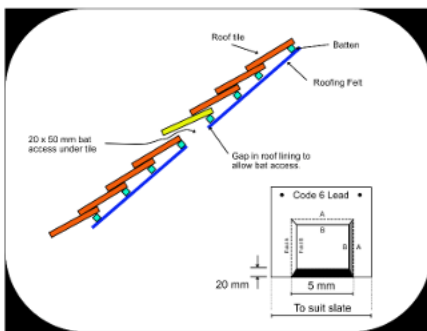


Summary of the Step-Wise Approach

Biodiversity Enhancements – Bat Roosting Provision

As part of the long-term biodiversity enhancements for the development, new bat roosting features will be integrated into the building. Four bat access slates will be installed, one on each elevation, to provide opportunities for bats to utilise the structure as a roosting site. To ensure the features are suitable for bat occupation, the new roof areas will be lined with traditional bitumen-based 1F roofing felt. In line with best practice guidance, breathable roofing membranes will not be used, as these can pose risks to roosting bats.

Schematic of bat access tiles to be installed on eastern aspect



This proposal satisfies the duty to maintain and enhance biodiversity under Section 6 of the Environment (Wales) Act 2016 and contributes to the delivery of resilient ecological networks through small-scale, yet high-quality, ecological features.