

Hill Farm House Bio-Diversity Net Gain

As part of the proposed development at the site, we will introduce the following to support a bio-diversity net gain.

Within the cart lodge garage

- Integral bat boxes within the internal roof structure of the cart lodge
- A proposed 'dove cote' structure, which will contain small bird nesting boxes, bee and insect boxes.
- Where possible, bee bricks in the proposed brick courses.

New planting

- We have already planted 4 no new 5m tall, cherry (Prunus Umineko) to the immediate west of the proposed location.
- Elsewhere on the site we have planted an additional 2 no. 5m tall cherries (Prunus Umineko & Prunus Sunset Boulevard). 5 no, new 5m tall Hornbeam (Carpinus betulus Lucas). And a 5m tall Pear (Pyrus calleryana Chanticleer)
- As part of the development of the cart lodge we will plant an approximately 15m length of instant yew hedge, at 1m high, shown on the plan.
- Elsewhere on the site, but contiguous to existing hedging shown on the BDNG plan, will be a new run of approx. 44m instant native mix hedge at 1.5m tall.

Other habitats

We will additionally improve the biodiversity of the site by adding the following in various locations.

- Hedgehog friendly fencing throughout
- Deer protection on new trees
- Owl boxes
- Bee hives
- Other small and medium sized bird nesting boxes