
Green Infrastructure Statement

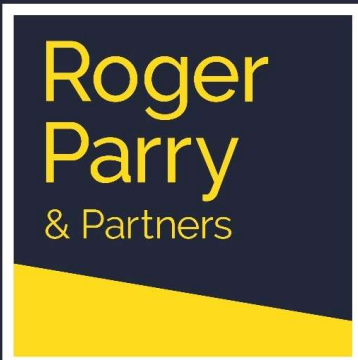
**Stonehouse Farm
Maes Mawr
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Erection of an agricultural livestock building
to be used as calf pens and all associated
works

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1. Statement

This Green Infrastructure Statement supports an application for the erection of an agricultural building to be used for housing calves at Stonehouse Farm, Welshpool.

The proposed building is to be located on agricultural greenfield land, which is heavily grazed, and therefore is of very low ecological value and offers little potential for habitats and species. It will not result in the removal of any of the existing trees and hedgerows surrounding the site.

The client has taken a step wise approach to GIS as they have ensured the proposal will not only have no detrimental effect on the existing green infrastructure on site, but it will also provide an enhancement.

As part of the application the clients proposes to plant a large area of native trees to the north of the site. These will act as compensation for any habitats that may be affected by the development, but also be a great enhancement to the site by encouraging more biodiversity and connectivity with offsite habitats.

The below satellite image shows the heavily grazed site with the surrounding trees and hedges. All of which will be retained and maintained in the future. Also below is the proposed biodiversity enhancement plan which details the proposed improvements and will be used by the applicant as a management plan for the maintenance and care of both the existing and proposed planting.

It is clear the proposal does not have any adverse effect on biodiversity or ecosystem resilience and therefore should be considered acceptable.

