

**Application site:** Swipes Farm, The Street, Washington, Pulborough, West Sussex, RH10 4AT

**Application Reference:** SDNP/24/01021/HOUS

## Ecosystems Checklist

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Ecosystems Service Actions	Policy SD2 Criterion
Rainwater from the existing dwelling will run into the existing drainage system, in addition rainwater will be collected by a water butt which can be used for watering the garden. The location of the water but is shown on the proposed plans.	A, C and D
The garden area, site boundary and existing open fields and hedgerows will remain unchanged.	a) Sustainably manage land and water environments;
Existing fields and hedgerows will be maintained, in order to continue to provide suitable habitats and forging opportunities for wildlife.	b) Protect and provide more, better and joined up natural habitats;
Water consumption restricted to 110 litres per person per day.	c) Conserve water resources and improve water quality;
The proposal is on a raised location on a slope and is not at risk of flooding.	d) Manage and migrate the risk of flooding
The proposal is to be constructed of natural wood walls, locally sourced where possible.	e) Improve the National Park’s resilience to mitigation of, Climate Change;
Support the wider smallholding use.	f) Increase the ability to store carbon through new planting and other means;
Only a small extension, any ground works will ensure existing soil is re-used and graded into the landscape.	g) Conserve and enhance soils;
The proposal would be to provide improve living accommodation for an established small holding.	h) Support the sustainable production and use of food, forestry and raw materials;
The proposal is not seeking to install any external lighting. As such the light pollution will remain mostly unchanged.	i) Reduce level of pollution;
The proposal would provide a dwelling that meets the Nationally Described Space Standards. In addition as shown on the plans a bird box and bat box will be installed on the proposed extension.	j) Improve opportunities for peoples’ health and well being;
Support the wider sites use as a small holding.	k) Provide opportunities for access of the natural and cultural resources which contribute to the special qualities.