

Ecosystems Services Report – 15 Delaware Road, Lewes BN7 1LD

Policy SD2 of the SDLP states:

“Development proposals will be permitted where they have an overall positive impact on the ability of the natural environment to contribute goods and services. This will be achieved through the use of high quality design, and by delivering all opportunities to:

- a) Sustainably manage land and water environments;*
- b) Protect and provide more, better and joined up natural habitats;*
- c) Conserve water resources and improve water quality;*
- d) Manage and mitigate the risk of flooding;*
- e) Improve the National Park’s resilience to, and mitigation of, climate change;*
- f) Increase the ability to store carbon through new planting or other means;*
- g) Conserve and enhance soils;*
- h) Support the sustainable production and use of food, forestry and raw materials;*
- i) Reduce levels of pollution;*
- j) Improve opportunities for peoples’ health and wellbeing; and*
- k) Provide opportunities for access to the natural and cultural resources which contribute to the special qualities.”*

The following ecosystem services actions are proposed:-

Action	Policy SD2 Criterion
1. Improve quality of internal living areas and natural daylighting to existing family home	J
2. Diversify planting to front and rear garden areas to encourage biodiversity	A, B, D, F, G
3. Composting of kitchen waste to conserve and improve soils (already in place)	A, G, I
4. New kitchen design to incorporate measures for sorting and storage of recyclable and non-recyclable waste	A, E, H, I
5. Habitats for creatures and birds: bird boxes to be introduced to rear garden area	B