

No Biodiversity net-gain



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Proposal would not bring about a biodiversity net-gain.

More Formal planning grade way to express this:-

The proposal fails to demonstrate that it would achieve the mandatory Biodiversity Net Gain required by national policy. The submitted ecological information is incomplete, lacks a credible baseline assessment, and does not provide a deliverable or measurable plan for securing a minimum 10% net gain. The development results in the loss of existing habitats, mature vegetation, and ecological connectivity, with no evidence that these losses would be fully compensated on-site or through legally secured off-site units. As a result, the scheme would lead to a net loss of biodiversity and is therefore contrary to the Environment Act 2021, the NPPF, and Local Plan policies requiring measurable, long-term biodiversity enhancement.