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Dear Mr Rippon,

## Capella House Car Park, Railway Approach, Worthing - Biodiversity Gain Statement

A preliminary ecological appraisal was completed by this company on the 30<sup>th</sup> of May 2025.

The site was found to be comprised of an external tarmac parking area with an adjacent strip of grassland, as well as a small length of introduced *Pyracantha* shrubs bordering the nearby Sandell House.

The development involves the repurposing of the existing car park into a new multi-storey residential building with ground-level parking and associated bicycle storage, within the footprint of existing on-site habitats.

The development does not impact a priority habitat and shall impact less than 25m<sup>2</sup> of on-site habitat with a score greater than zero, or 5 metres of linear habitats such as hedgerows.

Therefore, the proposed development is exempt from mandatory biodiversity net gain under the de minimis exemption detailed within The Biodiversity Gain Requirements (Exemptions) Regulations 2024.

Yours sincerely,

James Tann.

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### Landscape Planning

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