PROPOSED WORKS : Rear Extensions.

ADDRESS : 21 MILTON DRIVE, SOUTHWICK

WEST SUSSEX, BN42 4NE

1.0 Biodiversity Enhancement Statement

1.1 The development that the application seeks permission for, a full breadth rear elevation extension, this includes the demolition of part of the original dwelling and removal of aa later conservatory construction both on Northwest corner of the existing dwelling.

The rear garden is primarily laid to lawn with hard paved patio covering under the footprint of the proposed extension.

1.2 To promote a biodiversity enhancement for the site, we propose the siting of a new bird box, fixed to the rear garden boundary fence to attract nesting birds

Putting up a nest box

Where you put your nest box is every bit as important as what it looks like. The highest priority when siting a nest box must be to provide a safe and comfortable environment in which birds can nest successfully.

Top tips for putting up your nest box

Not too close to another nest box

Nest boxes of the same type should not be sited too close together as this may promote aggressive behaviour between neighbours.



Shelter your box from the weather

The front of the nest box should be angled vertically or slightly downwards to prevent rain from entering the nest box. Make sure it is sheltered from prevailing wind, rain and strong sunlight.

Height from the ground should be about 3 metres

Small-hole boxes are best placed 1-3m above ground on tree trunks, but avoid sites where foliage obscures the entrance hole - a clear flight path is important. If there are no trees in your garden, the next best option is to place your box on the side of a shed or wall. Care must be given to make sure the box isn't easily accessible to predators.