



Biodiversity Net Gain Report

Land Adjacent to 35 Beaulieu Road, Amesbury, SP4 7PD

For Dale Roberts Design and on behalf of Mr N Hibbs

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1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 Herdwick Ecology Ltd has been commissioned by Dale Roberts Design and on behalf of Mr Hibbs to undertake a Biodiversity Net Gain assessment at Land Adjacent to 35 Beaulieu Road, Amesbury, SP4 7PD (Central Reference SU 16315 40864) to inform proposals for a single new detached dwelling within the existing garden.
- 1.2 The Environment Bill received Royal Assent on 9th November 2021, becoming the Environment Act; this includes the provision of biodiversity gain for developments in England, which will be mandated through an amendment to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990. The two-year transition period that follows Royal Assent means that mandatory Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG) became law on 12th February 2024, with small sites being mandatory on the 2nd April 2024 under Schedule 7A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as inserted by Schedule 14 of the Environment Act 2021).
- 1.3 This report has been prepared by Ceri Griffiths, Director at Herdwick Ecology, who is a Full Member of the Chartered Institute of Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM). The Statutory Metric was used and the habitat data collated during the site visit in November 2025 was used to assess the baseline units.

2.0 Aims and objectives

- 2.1 This report aims to:
- Present the baseline habitat value of the development site, based on previous ecological habitat surveys
 - Present the habitat value of the proposed landscaping incorporated into the post-development design; and
 - Present the overall net habitat value change in both habitat units and a percent change.

3.0 Methodology

- 3.1 The Statutory Biodiversity Metric is designed to provide a quantitative approach to assessing the changes in biodiversity value brought about by development or changes in land management. It is a habitat-based approach and uses the attributes of a habitat to provide a biodiversity value based on components such as distinctiveness, condition and strategic significance of the existing habitat as well as time to establish and difficulty of creation for proposed habitats.
- 3.2 The baseline BNG calculations, as outlined below, provides a numerical habitat value which indicates the existing value of the habitats present on the site based on the identified habitat types and their condition score.

Pre-development habitat baseline approach

- 3.3 The habitat baseline used to support the biodiversity net gain assessment was obtained during the site visit on 19th November 2025 . The site area is 470m² with the proposals resulting in a single residential units. Whilst the Statutory Metric should be used where offsite contribution is required, this is not possible in this instance due to the small minimal mapping unit of the site. Therefore, the SSM has been utilised.

Post-development habitat approach

- 3.4 The proposals are for a single residential units within the existing garden. This will include a driveway and a new garage with a intensive green roof, together with garden areas.

4.0 Biodiversity Net Gain**Pre-development biodiversity value*****Baseline Conditions***

- 4.1 A summary table of the calculations, habitat types and areas, and condition scores of the existing habitats on site before development are provided below.

Habitats on site

- 4.2 The site is 470m² and is an existing garden to the south west of 35, Beaulieu Road The proposals will involve the loss of a small of garden comprising overgrown lawn, shrubs and patio/hardstanding. There are also three garages that will be demolished. These buildings were assessed - by an experienced and Natural England licensed bat worker - for their potential to support bats and given there modern construction and lack of suitable features, were assessed as having negligible potential for roosting bats, and no further survey or assessment is required.

Table 1: Baseline BNG Habitats

BNG SSM Metric & Condition	Area m2	Justification
Vegetated Garden	145.80	Vegetated garden within residential curtilage
Developed land/sealed surfaces	324.20	Driveway, buildings and patio/hardstanding

Table 2: Baseline Habitat Values

Habitat type	Area m2	Strategic significance	Habitat units
Urban – Vegetated Garden	145.80	n/a	0.0292
Urban – Developed Land	324.20	n/a	0.00
Total habitat area	470		0.0292



Plate 1: Baseline Habitat Map

4.3 The baseline habitat value, as assessed using the Biodiversity Metric is **0.0292** habitat units.

Post Development Habitats

4.4 The proposals are for a single new unit within the garden (see Appendix 1). Given the construction footprint, its considered that all of the garden will be impacted and therefore is assessed as ‘lost’ within the SSM, equating to 0.0292 units. The new unit will have a ‘developed land/sealed surface’ footprint of 276.95m² with a newly created garden of 150.80m², together with a sedum (‘other green roof’ as on private dwelling) on the garage of 42.25m².

Table 3: Proposed Habitats

Habitat type	Area (m ²)	Condition	Habitat units Delivered
Urban – Developed Land	276.95	n/a	0.00
Urban – Vegetated Garden	150.80	n/a	0.0291
Urban – Other green roof	42.25	n/a	0.0082
Total habitat area	470		0.0373

4.5 The development results in a net gain of 27.77% and the trading rules have been met.

Table 4: BNG Summary

Baseline Units	Post Development Units	Total Net Change	Total Net % Change
0.0292	0.0373	0.0081	27.77%

- 4.6 Given that no significant enhancement measures have been incorporated into the design, a Habitat Management and Monitoring Plan (HMMP) and monitoring via a S106 is not considered necessary to implement the above, given that it is for a small habitat area).
- 4.7 The Proposed Development delivers a significant net gain onsite with the creation of new garden space, that is to include a pond and wildlife friendly planting. Furthermore, the sedum roof will provide additional habitat. As such, the proposals are in line with the relevant National and Local Planning Policy.

Appendix 1 Proposed Site Plan illustrating BNG creation

