Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs

Biodiversity gain plan

Submit a biodiversity gain plan to show how your development will achieve biodiversity net gain.

When to use this form

A biodiversity gain plan shows how a development will achieve 10% biodiversity net gain (BNG). Submit this form to your local planning authority after they approve your planning application.

Unless your development is exempt, you cannot start the development until the LPA approves your biodiversity gain plan and biodiversity metric calculation tool.

1. Submission details

1.1 Date

For example, 3/11/2023

09/04/2024

1.2 Planning application reference number

139751/FO/2024

1.3 Local planning authority (LPA)

Manchester City Council

1.4 Development site address

If the site does not have an address, enter the OS grid reference.

Fallowfield Shopping Centre, Birchfields Road
Manchester, M14 6FS

1.5 Describe the development

Tell us about the proposed development and any changes of use (250 words).

The proposed development involves demolition of existing buildings and construction of a new Lidl retail store, with associated car parking and landscape planting. The existing site access on to Birchfields Road to west will be utilised, and it is understood that mature trees lining Birchfields Road to the west will be retained and protected throughout the construction phase. It is assumed that no additional land outside of the redline boundary footprint is proposed for any construction compound, contractor parking etc, and that the eastern boundary fence shall remain in place and no works are to be undertaken on the adjacent railway embankment.

2. Developer details

2.1 Applicant name

Lidl GB Limited – Robert Lawton

2.2 Company name

Lidl GB Limited

2.3 Address

Lidl House
14 Kingston Street
Surbiton
KT5 9NU

2.4 Email address

Robert.lawton@lidl.co.uk

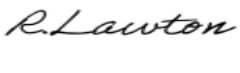
2.5 Telephone number

07971 440276

2.6 Declaration

By signing this declaration, you confirm that the information you give is complete and correct. Any opinions are your genuine opinions.

2.7 Signature



2.8 Date

28/11/2024

3. Responsible person details

Tell us about who is responsible for completing the biodiversity gain plan. For example, a consultancy ecologist or planning agent.

3.1 Name

KT Smith

3.2 Company name

Enzygo Ltd.

3.3 Address

Ducie House, Ducie Street
Manchester
M1 2JW

3.4 Email address

Katie.smith@enzygo.com

3.5 Telephone number

0759 5654 239

3.6 Declaration

By signing this declaration, you confirm that the information you give is complete and correct. Any opinions are your genuine opinions.

3.7 Signature

Katie Smith

3.8 Date

12.11.2024

4. Biodiversity net gain strategy

4.1 Is the relevant date for the pre-development biodiversity value the same date as the planning application?

☐ Yes
☒ No

4.2 If no, what earlier date did you agree with the LPA?

14.10.2023 (date of updated PEA walkover)

4.3 How have you met the guidance on 'what counts towards your BNG'?

Find out what you can count towards a development's BNG

Yes. Creation of Green Infrastructure – Introduced Shrub (0.052 ha) through new ornamental planting and Urban Tree (0.114ha) through incorporating 7 new trees onsite.

4.4 How will you avoid or minimise impacts to habitats?

Tell us about the steps you've taken on site, including to avoid or minimise the impact on irreplaceable habitats.

Offsite trees to the east will be protected throughout the construction phase in accordance with *BS5837:2012 Trees in relation to design, demolition and construction. Recommendations. Note: the existing metal fencing along the eastern site boundary is sufficient to protect these off-site trees during construction if retained.*

In addition, to avoid potential degradation of this off-site area through excessive artificial lighting overspill, a sensitive lighting scheme shall be implemented making use of suitable products such as directional, low-level, capped, screened and/or low-lux lighting.

There are no irreplaceable habitats onsite or adjacent.

4.5 Did you use your local nature recovery strategy to inform the strategic significance of habitats?

This includes other specified strategies if you do not have a local nature recovery strategy.

☒ Yes
☐ No

4.6 How will you achieve the target net gain percentage?

☒ On-site
☐ Off-site
☐ Both

4.7 Are any of your on-site enhancements considered 'significant'?

Find out what counts as a significant on-site enhancement.

☒ Yes
☐ No

4.8 If yes, tell us about the significant on-site enhancements

Include the appropriate planning condition or how you've secured the habitat.

Creation of 0.114ha of Urban Tree, medium distinctiveness. A total of 7 new trees are shown on the proposed Landscape Plan. Considering the nature of the species proposed (e.g. Horse Chestnut, Field Maple etc.) and the extra heavy standard size at which they are to be planted, the trees have been included as of medium size.

4.9 How many off-site biodiversity units do you need to meet 10% net gain?

None

4.10 Explain why you're using off-site biodiversity units

Only answer this question if you're planning to use off-site biodiversity units (250 words).

N/A

4.11 Explain why you're planning to use statutory biodiversity credits

Only answer this question if you're planning to use statutory biodiversity credits (250 words).

N/A

4.12 Do you have a habitat management and monitoring plan?

☒ Yes
☐ No

4.13 Have you used the statutory biodiversity metric tool?

☒ Yes
☐ No

4.14 Biodiversity metric calculation

Send your biodiversity metric calculation to the LPA and enter the file name.

MAN.1230.027.EC.R.002-Fallowfield Retail Park – Statutory Biodiversity Metric Calculation Tool May 2024

4.15 Condition assessments

Send your condition assessments to the LPA and enter the file name.

MAN.1230.027.EC.R.004 – BNG Condition Assessment

4.16 Pre-development habitat survey report and map

Send your baseline habitat survey report and map to the LPA. Enter the file name.

MAN.1230.027.EC.R.001 - EcIA

4.17 Post-development habitat map or landscape plan

Send your post-development habitat survey report and map to the LPA. Enter the file name.

MAN.1230.027.EC.R.003 - HMMP

4.18 Have you included an approved habitat degradation in the baseline?

If yes, include the relevant consenting body and reference number.

☐ Yes
☒ No

Consenting body

N/A

Reference number

N/A

5. Irreplaceable habitats

5.1 Does the development impact any irreplaceable habitats?

If yes, tell us if you've submitted an approved compensation plan.

☐ Yes
☒ No

5.2 Have you submitted an approved compensation plan?

☐ Yes
☒ No

6. On-site habitat enhancements

Answer this section if your development includes on-site habitat enhancements.

6.1 Survey date
For example, 3/11/2023

14/10/2023

6.2 Survey constraints
For example, access issues, weather, or seasonal constraints.

No survey constraints.

6.3 Total pre-development biodiversity value

Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation.

Number of area habitat biodiversity units

0.33

Number of hedgerow biodiversity units

0.00

Number of watercourse biodiversity units

0.00

6.4 Total post-development biodiversity value
Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation.

Number of area habitat biodiversity units

0.50

Number of hedgerow biodiversity units

0.00

Number of watercourse biodiversity units

0.00

6.5 Total net change in biodiversity units
Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation.

Area habitat biodiversity units

0.17

Area habitat biodiversity units % change

50.83

Hedgerow biodiversity units

0.00

Hedgerow biodiversity units % change

0.00

Watercourse biodiversity units

0.00

Watercourse biodiversity units % change

0.00

6.6 Will you register and allocate any biodiversity units from your site to other developments?

If yes or provisionally, give details.

☐ Yes

☒ No

6.7 Give details

Tell us about the amount of biodiversity units and the development location (250 words).

N/A

7. Off-site habitat enhancements

Answer this section if your development includes off-site habitat enhancements.

7.1 Tell us about the off-site habitat enhancements

Include whether you're delivering the off-site enhancements or buying biodiversity units.

N/A

7.2 Biodiversity gain site register reference number

N/A

7.3 How have you secured the off-site habitat enhancements?

Tell us about any responsible bodies and whether you've used an S106 or conservation covenant.

N/A

7.4 Total baseline biodiversity value

Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation.

Number of area habitat biodiversity units

N/A

Number of hedgerow biodiversity units

N/A

Number of watercourse biodiversity units

N/A

7.5 Total biodiversity value post-intervention

Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation.

Number of area habitat biodiversity units

N/A

Number of hedgerow biodiversity units

N/A

Number of watercourse biodiversity units

N/A

7.6 Total net change in biodiversity units

Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation.

Area habitat biodiversity units

N/A

Area habitat biodiversity units % change

N/A

Hedgerow biodiversity units

N/A

Hedgerow biodiversity units % change

N/A

Watercourse biodiversity units

N/A

Watercourse biodiversity units % change

N/A

8. Statutory biodiversity credits

Answer this section if you need to use statutory biodiversity credits.

8.1 Do you need to use statutory biodiversity credits?

☐ Yes
☒ No

8.2 How many statutory biodiversity credits do you need?

Tell us the unit shortfall by tier, including the spatial risk multiplier. Enter the number from the headline results in your statutory biodiversity metric calculation.

A1

N/A

A2

N/A

A3

N/A

A4

N/A

A5

N/A

H

N/A

W

N/A

8.3 What evidence is there that no units are available through the market?

Send a message from at least 3 habitat providers, or a search result from online registers.

N/A

8.4 Proof of purchase

Send proof of purchase and enter the reference number.

N/A

9. Trading summary

9.1 Distinctiveness group

Tell us if you met the BNG trading rules on habitat compensation for each distinctiveness group. If you did not meet the trading rules, tell us if you agreed bespoke habitat compensation.

Check the rules on habitat compensation in the statutory biodiversity metric user guide.

Very high

Yes

High

Yes

Medium

Yes

Low

Yes

10. Sharing data (optional)

10.1 Can we share your ecological survey data with the Local Environmental Records Centre or other bodies?

☒ Yes
☐ No