

ECOLOGY AND BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN

Measures include the planting of native trees and hedgerows in addition to the creation of wildflower meadows and other enhancements throughout the site. These improvements will:

- Help to embed the development into the landscape, shielding views of the panels from the local area and improving the visual amenity of the site and its surroundings;
- Create a more sheltered and friendly habitat to wildlife through the provision of wildflower meadows, new hedgerows/trees, and improved grassland beneath the panels;
- Through the implementation of bird boxes, log piles, insect hotels and newt hibernacula, encouraging local wildlife to use the site, and improve the wildlife and biodiversity value in the process.
- Result in increased pollination in the area, creating a positive impact on flora and commercial crops in the area.
- Culminate in a minimum net gain of 30% to biodiversity on-site, well over the standard 10%.
- Encompass a brand new outdoor classroom facility linked to the existing footpath network for the local community to utilise.



JBM will strengthen characteristic features of the landscape & improve the visual amenity of the site.



Insect hotels and log piles will be added to the site to provide a safe haven for wildlife.



Bird boxes and shelters across the site will also be implemented.