

The Statutory Biodiversity Metric

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Project details

Planning authority:	North Hertfordshire Council		
Project name:	Land East of Talbot Way, Letchworth (LG3)		
Applicant:	BDW		
Application type:	Residential		
Planning application reference:	21/00504/OP		
Completed by:	Daniel Willis and Rhodri Cruftydd		
Date of metric completion:	27 May 2026		
Reviewer:	Bethany Wilson		
Calculation iteration:	1		
Planning authority reviewer:			
Date of planning authority review:			
Target % net gain:	10%		
Irreplaceable habitat present at baseline:	No ✓		
Total site area - including irreplaceable habitat area (hectares):	5.54	Irreplaceable habitat site area (hectares):	0.00
Total off-site area - including irreplaceable habitat area (hectares):	N/A	Irreplaceable habitat area off-site (hectares):	N/A

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Baseline



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On-site Hedge
Baseline



C-1
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Baseline



On-site post development

A-2 On-site Area
Habitat Creation



A-3 On-site Area
Habitat
Enhancement



B-2 On-site
Hedge Creation



B-3 On-site Hedge
Enhancement



C-2 On-site
Watercourse
Creation



C-3 On-site
Watercourse
Enhancement



Off-site baseline

D-1
Off-site
Area Habitat Baseline



E-1
Off-site Hedge
Baseline



F-1
Off-site Watercourse
Baseline



Off-site post development

D-2 Off-site Area
Habitat Creation



D-3 Off-site Area Habitat
Enhancement



E-2 Off-site Hedge
Creation



E-3 Off-site Hedge
Enhancement



F-2 Off-site
Watercourse Creation



F-3 Off-site Watercourse
Enhancement



Tree helper

Tree size	Number of trees and area (ha) for each condition state					
	Poor	Area	Moderate	Area	Good	Area
Small	73	0.2972	114	0.4642		0.0000
Medium		0.0000		0.0000		0.0000
Large		0.0000		0.0000		0.0000
Very large		0.0000		0.0000		0.0000
Total	73	0.2972	114	0.4642	0	0.0000

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On-site baseline	Area habitat units	13.94	
	Hedgerow units	0.10	
	Watercourse units	0.00	
On-site post-intervention (Including habitat retention, creation & enhancement)	Area habitat units	17.70	
	Hedgerow units	2.99	
	Watercourse units	0.00	
On-site net change (units & percentage)	Area habitat units	3.77	27.05%
	Hedgerow units	2.89	2885.94%
	Watercourse units	0.00	0.00%

Off-site baseline	Area habitat units	0.00	
	Hedgerow units	0.00	
	Watercourse units	0.00	
Off-site post-intervention (Including habitat retention, creation & enhancement)	Area habitat units	0.00	
	Hedgerow units	0.00	
	Watercourse units	0.00	
Off-site net change (units & percentage)	Area habitat units	0.00	0.00%
	Hedgerow units	0.00	0.00%
	Watercourse units	0.00	0.00%

Combined net unit change (Including all on-site & off-site habitat retention, creation & enhancement)	Area habitat units	3.77	
	Hedgerow units	2.89	
	Watercourse units	0.00	
Spatial risk multiplier (SRM) deductions	Area habitat units	0.00	
	Hedgerow units	0.00	
	Watercourse units	0.00	

FINAL RESULTS

Total net unit change (Including all on-site & off-site habitat retention, creation & enhancement)	Area habitat units	3.77	
	Hedgerow units	2.89	
	Watercourse units	0.00	
Total net % change (Including all on-site & off-site habitat retention, creation & enhancement)	Area habitat units	27.05%	
	Hedgerow units	2885.94%	
	Watercourse units	0.00%	
Trading rules satisfied?	Yes ✓		

Unit Type	Target	Baseline Units	Units Required	Unit Deficit	
Area habitat units	10.00%	13.94	18.33	0.00	No additional area habitat units required to meet target ✓
Hedgerow units	10.00%	0.10	0.11	0.00	No additional hedgerow units required to meet target ✓
Watercourse units	10.00%	0.00	0.00	0.00	No additional watercourse units required to meet target ✓

