

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

24/03/2026

1.2 Planning application reference number

DM/25/1495

1.3 Local planning authority (LPA)

Mid Sussex

1.4 Development site address

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

Land adjacent to Rocky Lane Haywards Heath RH16
4TW. Grid reference 532514 122 168

1.5 Describe the development

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

The development is for the construction of a 4 G lattice mast with associated infrastructure including meter cabinets. The site is accessed by an extended entrance and temporary access track from Rocky Lane Haywards Heath.

2. Developer details

2.1 Applicant name

Rebecca Skerrett (planning agent- on behalf of Avison
Young Uk)

2.2 Company name

Cellnex Connectivity Solutions Ltd

2.3 Address

R+ 4th Floor 2 Balgrave Street Reading RG1 1AZ

2.4 Email address

Rebecca.skerrett@avisonyoung.com

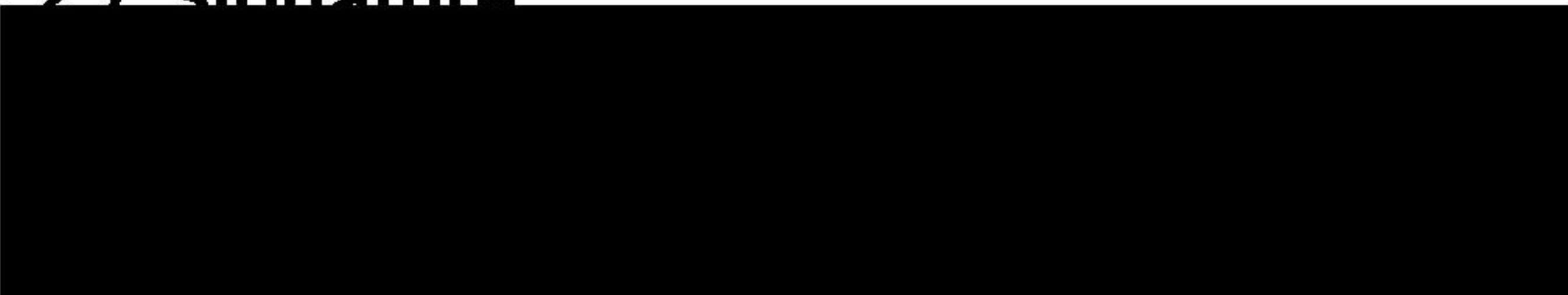
2.5 Telephone number

07876391678

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

24-3-26

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

Shea O Neill

3.2 Company name

Adapt Environment Ltd

3.3 Address

Omagh Enterprise Centre Great Northern Road Omagh
Co Tyrone North Ireland BT78 5LU

3.4 Email address

shea.adaptenvironment@outlook.com

3.5 Telephone number

07703916908

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

[Redacted Signature]

3.8 Date

24-03-2026

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?

N/A

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

Biodiversity Habitat units to be purchased offsite from J and H Robinson (Iford Farms) Ltd

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.

Biodiversity Habitat units to be purchased offsite from J and H Robinson (Iford Farms) Ltd. No irreplaceable habitats present on site. CEMP used for construction project onsite. Environmental management in place implemented by contractor. Trees have been surveyed and will be retained. Refer to Tree Survey and AIA. One dead tree to be removed under supervision of Ecologist.

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.

N/A

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

0.2

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).

Off site habitat units to be used because site is being leased for 25 years and is not purchased. Ownership of Site will revert back to site owner following demolition of mast after required time frame of usage.

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.

BNG statutory metric Rocky Lane

4.15 Condition assessments

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

Condition Assessment Rocky Lane attached

4.16 Pre-development habitat survey report and map

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

PEA and baseline habitat survey attached.

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.

N/A Purchase of off site habitat units.

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

Reference number

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

N/A

6.2 Survey constraints

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

N/A

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

0.18

Number of hedgerow biodiversity units

0

Number of watercourse biodiversity units

0

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

0.2

Number of hedgerow biodiversity units

0

Number of watercourse biodiversity units

0

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

0.02

Area habitat biodiversity units % change

-100%

Hedgerow biodiversity units

0

Hedgerow biodiversity units % change

0

Watercourse biodiversity units

0

Watercourse biodiversity units % change

0

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).

Baseline Biodiversity unit 0.18. Required Biodiversity Gain 10% required 0.2 habitat units. 0.02 unit change.

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.

Buying off- site Habitat units from J and H Robinson (Iford Farms) Ltd 0.2 units to be purchased.

7.2 Biodiversity gain site register reference number

Land known as 2 Houndean Cottages Brighton Rd Lewes BN7 3JH

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.

S106 agreement for 2 Houndean Cottages Brighton Rd Lewes BN7 3JH attached. S106 agreement with South Downs National Park planning authority BGS 290224001

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

0.18

Number of hedgerow biodiversity units

0

Number of watercourse biodiversity units

0

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

0.2 purchased offsite

Number of hedgerow biodiversity units

0

Number of watercourse biodiversity units

0

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

0.02 net change

Area habitat biodiversity units % change

-100%

Hedgerow biodiversity units

0

Hedgerow biodiversity units % change

0

Watercourse biodiversity units

0

Watercourse biodiversity units % change

0

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

A4

A5

H

W

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.

Proof of purchase from Iford Farms attached

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

N/A purchased offsite

High

N/A purchased offsite

Medium

N/A purchased offsite

Low

N/A purchased offsite

10. Sharing data (optional)

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

- ☒ Yes
☐ No