Recommendations and Enhancements

- A sensitive lighting plan will be incorporated into the development plans there will be no light spill onto Pinewoods Woodland, nor onto new woodland and hedgerow planting at the Site;
- Bat boxes could be installed in Pinewoods in conjunction with the Pinewoods Conservation Group to enhance roosting opportunities off-Site for bats;
- Bat bricks will be installed within the fabric of a number of garages as part of development proposals to create roosting opportunities for bats at the Site; and
- ▲ The landscaping will benefit bats by increasing habitat diversity on-Site, to include woodland blocks, scattered trees, hedgerow, ornamental shrubs and species-rich grassland. The floral species diversity will increase substantially at the Site, and with the inclusion of nectar rich species of plants invertebrate prey diversity at the Site will increase, creating greater foraging and commuting opportunities for bats.



Schwegler Bat box

What can you do to make your own garden more bat friendly?

- Building a small pond or creating a compost heap will increase the diversity of invertebrates that bats like to forage on;
- Grow a wide range of nectar rich species, and include plant species that will attract nocturnal insects, especially moths; and
- Install a bat box on a wall or tree in an undisturbed location at a minimum height of 3 m avoiding a northerly aspect, and where there is a clear flight path.



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