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Object

Document Element: Policy NB2: Biodiversity

Respondent: Mr K Lloyd

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Summary:

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Change suggested by respondent:

Make BNG 20% minimum, it sends a message to developers that South Staffs Council cares about the wildlife which sustains everyone of us.

If the council is serious about responding to these declines in wildlife species, all of which are above 10%, then a figure above that mark is essential or else we will just be treading water. We must improve biodiversity, not maintain it at its current state.

Legally compliant: Yes

Sound: No

Comply with duty: Yes

Attachments: None