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Comments: Many aspects of the wildlife value of the site have been overlooked. The site supports Barn Owl and is ideal habitat for this species. The site supports species not identified in the surveys such as Melancholy Thistle (Derbyshire Red Data Book Plant). One of the most ecologically valuable features of the site are the drystone walls which support lichens, mosses, wildflowers, small mammals and invertebrates. These are given a score of zero in the biodiversity net gain calculations. ideally the site should be surveyed in Summer for a proper assessment. Trees and soft landscaping alone will not compensate for the loss of such a large area of semi-improved grassland with the associated drystone walls and other habitats.

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