

Dear Ms Walsh

I read with interest the Salix Ecology Review of submitted Ecology Reports and note their conclusions.

There is one figure that I wish to challenge. In 3.8.3 the net loss post construction of semi neutral grassland is given as 31.6%. This is not true for the loss of grassland available to the slow worms as they cannot use the green and brown roofs. The figures are these:

Construction. Post Construction

Roof loss 40%. Restored eastern end 21.6%

Eastern end loss 27%

Total loss 67%. Total loss 67% - 21.6% = 45.4%

Figures taken from LWT figures.

This is a significant loss of habitat for the slow worms, hedgehogs and other small mammals which will not benefit from the inclusion of green and brown roofs.

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