### SUSTAINABILITY

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GIVING NATURE A HOME



# CREATING A SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY WHERE FAMILIES AND NATURE CAN THRIVE

At Barratt Homes, we do more than simply craft beautiful homes and desirable developments.

We design and build great places that meet the highest standards, and that promote sustainable, healthy and happy living for our customers.

We know we must give our customers confidence that their homes are designed and built to meet the challenges of the future. We do this through creating places where people and nature can thrive.



























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### COMMUNITY OPEN SPACES

There are over 15.8 acres of community open space at The Woodlands.

The development has been thoughtfully planned to promote a more desirable, healthier and enjoyable way of living.

Open space offers great opportunities for you to enjoy the outdoors and live more in harmony with nature.





### BAT AND BIRD HABITATS

Bird and bat boxes provide perfect nesting opportunities for a range of species.

You will notice these are installed as high as possible, away from natural light and in different positions to encourage our winged friends to enjoy their wildlife habitats.





### WILDFLOWER MEADOWS

Wildflower turfs and scented plants are a great attraction for pollinating bees and butterflies, whilst providing insects, birds and mammals a home.

We all appreciate how important it is to create these habitats as pollination is one of the most essential biological processes on the planet.

Ready to enjoy on your doorstep... encouraging wildflower planting will help create an aromatic, relaxing and beautiful environment.





#### BIODIVERSITY AND WATER HABITATS

We have committed to creating dedicated space for local biodiversity conservation.

Ponds are perfect to encourage a more biodiverse ecosystem. They entice wildlife by providing a home for some and an important source of drinking water for many others.

Not only are they important habitats but they also help create a relaxing area where you can unwind and watch nature thrive.





### HABITAT AND LOG PILES

habitat and log piles are important underground chambers that amphibians and reptiles use during the winter months to protect themselves from the cold.

A mix of frogs, toads, newts, lizards and snakes are regular visitors to log piles, sunny spots, ponds, swales and compost heaps.





### BEE-FRIENDLY PLANTING

We value how important bees are, as they provide the essential pollination of many garden plants and wildflowers.

By nurturing bee-friendly planting, together we will provide an important natural food source whilst helping to preserve biodiversity and protect the environment.





#### HEDGEHOG HIGHWAYS

You will see runs and routes throughout the development, these are our hedgehog highways.

A hedgehog highway is about a 13cm x 13cm (5" x 5") gap built into the bottom of a garden fence, wall or hedge, which enables hedgehogs to easily move between gardens.

Hedgehogs can travel a long distance on a single night looking for food and a suitable mate, so room to roam is crucial.





#### ELECTRIC CAR CHARGING POINTS

A number of homes on the development are designed to have active Electric Vehicle Charging points.

Further homes will have passive Electric Vehicle Charging points so customers may choose to install their own more easily in the future.



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