

**BIODIVERSITY STATEMENT
PROPOSED CHILDREN'S ROOM
MILLS HILL BAPTIST CHURCH
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- 1.1 The proposed modular building has an external footprint of 20sq.m and will be largely suspended over the four steel leg support posts
- 1.2 It is to be located within a grassed area of the churchyard and sited at a sufficient distance away from the perimeter hedge to allow maintenance.
- 1.3 It is also sited 2.5m away from the crown of an existing tree to the south-west corner of the site.
- 1.4 Due to the size of the building, we do not believe that the scheme will result in the loss of more than 25m² of priority habitat and would therefore be exempt from the requirements for Biodiversity Net Gain
- 1.5 There is little scope to provide any enhancement within the church grounds as the rest of the external grounds are used as a graveyard.
- 1.6 The churchyard and the access paths to the front of the building are already well landscaped.
- 1.7 It should be noted that the building is for a temporary period and that any grass will re-establish once the building is removed.