



PLANTING NOTES

- Plant handling at the nursery, & transit up to delivery, shall be in accordance with 'Plant Handling', the booklet published by the Committee for the Plant Supply & Establishment (CPSE). The contractor shall comply with clauses 3 & 4 of the above booklet (obtained from the Horticulture Trades Association 19 High Street, Theale, Berks RG7 5H) which refers to the receipt, unloading & temporary storage of plants.
- Plants shall be first class examples of their species or variety, free from all pests & diseases, with good fibrous root systems & materially undamaged (refer to relevant section of BS53936 Parts 1-4 Specification of Nursery Stock)
- All planting is to be in general compliance with BS4428:1989 'Code of Practice for general landscape operations (excluding hard surfaces)'.
- Areas of large roots to be grubbed up without undue disturbance of surrounding soil & adjacent areas. Rubbish, concrete, metal, glass, hard surfacing, hardcore, decayed vegetation, weed growth & any contaminated topsoil are to be removed & disposed off-site prior to planting.
- Shrub beds to have a min. depth of 450mm good quality imported topsoil (BS3882), do not use topsoil contaminated with subsoil, rubbish or other materials. Do not compact soil, preserve a friable texture of separate visible crumbs where ever possible. Topsoil to be treated with an application of herbicide prior to planting, where necessary, strictly in accordance with the Control of Pesticides Regulations 1986 (or otherwise updated/ superceded legislation), & following manufacturer's instructions by qualified staff & then should be cultivated to 150mm depth prior to planting. Where existing beds are to be cleared & recultivated, incorporate new spent compost 20% & topsoil 80% into all tree, shrub & hedge areas. All shrub beds/ grasses areas shall have a suitable slow release fertilizer applied at the manufacturers specified rates.
- Shrub Compost. Specimen plants to be planted in a pit 400 x 400 x250mm depth with 5 litres Tree & Shrub Compost.
- All areas of ornamental planting are to be mulched to a depth of 75mm with an amenity grade bark mulch.
- Formal Hedges:Trench to be dug min 500mm wide x 400mm deep (base broken out to facilitate drainage) and a peat free compost or slow release fertiliser incorporated into the back fill material.
- All turf & grass seed mixes are to be supplied by an approved supplier. All turves are to be laid horizontally to adjacent hard surfaces in a staggered pattern to encourage establishment. All grassed areas are to be watered as necessary to ensure their establishment & continued thriving. New grassed areas to have a min. depth of 150mm good quality imported topsoil (BS3882) & to be treated as item 5, marry new soils into existing where necessary. Carry out all work when soil & weather are suitable:
 - Do not sow or turf during periods of frost or strong winds
 - Sow only in Spring & Autumn
 - Ensure that adequate watering & weed control is available.
- Trees are to be planted securely either underground guyed in accordance with an approved guying system or staked & secured as follows:
 - Heavy Standard are to be secured using 2no. treated softwood stakes with cross bar, driven firmly into the ground. Stakes to be 1000mm above ground & fixed to tree with suitable rubber tree tie & spacer
 - Standard are to be secured using a single stake driven firmly into ground (0.6m above ground level) & secured with a rubber tie & spacer
 - Multi-stem trees are to be secured using a single angled stake driven firmly into ground & secured with a rubber tie & spacer.
- For all ornamental trees one 80litre bag of tree planting compost (non-peat based) is to be incorporated in the tree pits. For all ornamental trees the tree pit should be large enough to comfortably accommodate the rootball. Backfilling with excavated soils to replicate the existing horizons. All trees are to be planted in line with BS8545:2014 Trees:from nursery to independence in the landscape - Recommendations: Para 10.2.7 Topsoil should not be used below depth of the original topsoil.
- Trees planted in grass are to have a 1m dia turf cut around the base of the tree & circle filled with 75mm depth bark mulch.
- Carry out all work when soil & weather conditions are suitable. Do not plant during periods of frost or strong winds. Plant only in the following periods - Container grown plants. At anytime if ground water & weather conditions are favourable- Rootballed & bare root trees & shrubs:November-March- Ensure adequate watering & weed control is available.
- Water all plants & trees on the same day of planting, plant only into moist soil & water thoroughly to the full depth of soil immediately after planting. Water regularly through the establishment period (minimum 3 months) to prevent dehydration (min. once a week in periods of drought) to ensure the establishment of the plants during the 12month defects period.
- The contractor must ascertain for himself/herself the exact position of underground services & maintenance points prior to carrying out any digging on site.

PLANTING AFTERCARE - 5 year establishment period

- Generally**
- Maintain all grass areas, shrub beds and hedgerow planting free of litter and excessive weed growth (ie. growth that would be detrimental to the intended planting). Do not allow rubbish, grass cuttings, or other deleterious materials to be deposited on any of the planted areas during the establishment period.
 - Water all trees, shrubs & hedges in periods of drought (no significant rainfall for 5-7days) during the growing season of the 12months defect liability period. (Growing season is typically late Spring to early Autumn). Water once a week so the soil is fully saturated to encourage deep roots to establish & continue this until significant rainfall.
 - Any plants which die or show signs of poor health should be replaced towards the end of the 12month defects liability period by the contractor (Exclusions: Theft or malicious damage after completion). The cause of death or poor health should be investigated & the issue re-mediated prior to any new planting. If necessary plant species can be substituted (with prior agreement with the Landscape Architect) if particular plants are not suitable for the situation due to un-foreseen circumstances.
 - At the end of the first 12 month maintenance period ensure soil is thoroughly moistened prior to re-mulching, applying water where necessary, re-mulch all planting beds to a depth of 75mm.
 - After the 12month defects liability period the plants within private ownership (front & back gardens) will be the responsibility of the individual home owner, maintenance of all public areas will be passed onto the management company which will need to replace any trees or shrubs that die within a 5 year period in line with the original proposals.

Grass
Maintenance of grassed areas shall include mowing, watering as necessary to saturate soil below, trimming edges to pavings & planted areas at every cut, removing all debris & stones over 30mm in size, prior to mowing, weeding by cultivating, forking hoeing & raking & re-seeding any portions considered necessary & removing from site all debris & stones created by the operations. Pavements to be swept clean of any grass cuttings. Strimming round base of all trees will be carried out with a strimmer fitted with a protective guard to prevent bark damage. Grass to be cut fortnightly throughout growing season to height between 25-30mm & remove clipping to tip (April to October)
Any areas of grass where bulbs are planted must not be mown until leaves turn yellow or show signs of die-back.
Spike and scarify periodically to promote free drainage and remove moss and thatch.
In drought conditions the following modifications to specified mowing operations shall be implemented:
Cutting heights shall be raised to 45mm, mowing shall only continue so long as grass growth continues to reach maximum advisable height.

Shrub Beds
APPLY TO ALL YEARS
Maintain weed free
Replace dead/dying plants
Water in periods of drought 10 litres per shrub per week.
Remove deadwood.
At the end of year 5, thin shrub beds to allow adjacent plants to achieve their species potential.

Herbaceous Beds
Maintain weed free
Replace dead/dying plants
Water in periods of drought a minimum of 2 times a week.
Every 2-4 years (species dependant) divide plants.

Hedging
The aim is to establish a stable and healthy hedgerow within 3 years from planting with a well shaped framework.
Maintenance operations:
Maintained base of plants weed free; spot treat as necessary.
Replace dead and missing plants or those which fail to establish properly.
Water throughout the summer months after any period without significant rainfall.
Ensure plants are secure and upright in the ground. Firm up where necessary.
After the second growing season, formative prune the hedgerow on an annual basis to remove any dead, diseased or damaged shoots and create a balanced form for future growth.

Climbers
Maintain weed free
Replace dead/dying plants
Water in periods of drought a minimum of 2 times a week.
Prune annually (timing species dependant)

Trees
Inspect trees and ensure that they are establishing in an upright & safe manner, gently firm loosened soil around trees, straighten leaning trees accordingly.
Stakes and ties, check annually that the stakes are secure and adjust ties to allow for growth as necessary. Remove stakes at the end of the third growing season.
Trees should be watered once a month regardless of weather conditions during the defects liability period in the growing season (through the irrigation pipe) to ensure that the trees are encouraged to produce deep roots. Water trees in periods of drought at the following rates:
150 litres per tree - 14-16cm girth trees & above
75 litres per tree - 10-12cm girth trees & below
Prune deadwood, crossing branches etc. Replace dead/dying trees.
Routine pruning should include the following operations:
The removal of dead, diseased, damaged or dying branches only where they pose a risk to the users of the site.
The removal of branches or epicormic growth around the trunk of the tree where it is restricting access, growing over footpaths or obstructing lighting to be out back.
Inspection and reporting any incidence of pests and diseases which could cause trees or limbs to fail.
Any routine tree works should be carried out between end August to the end February to avoid the bird nesting season. If this is unavoidable a bird nest and/ or bat survey must be undertaken prior to works being carried out.

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- Drawing notes & issued for planning purposes only.
- All dimensions for construction shall be verified by the Contractor (s) on site prior to work commencing and relevant orders being placed.
- Any discrepancies to be brought to the attention of the Contract Administrator for instruction prior to proceeding.

KEY

- Existing tree or vegetation to be retained & protected in line with Arboriculturalist proposals
- Existing tree or vegetation to be removed in line with Arboriculturalist proposals
- Proposed Tree
Extra Heavy Standard Tree, 14-16' 16-18cm girth, set in soft landscaping with double stake support
- Proposed Tree
Standard Tree, 10-12cm girth, set in soft landscaping with single stake support
- Ornamental Hedge
0.8-1.0m high hedge planted @ 4 per lin.m with 75mm ornamental bark mulch dressing
- Ornamental shrub planting
Plants supplied in 3-5L pots planted @ 3-6/m2 in 450mm imported topsoil with 75mm ornamental bark mulch dressing
- Grass
Grass Seed OR Turf (to be hard wearing amenity quality) eg AITurf Festival or similar approved laid on minimum 150mm imported topsoil

PLANTING SCHEDULE

Shrubs						
Nr	Code	Name	Height (cm)	Container	Habit	Density
60	AJR	Aucuba jap. 'Rozannie'	30-40	5L	Bushy	3 per m2
9	CIS	Choisy a ternata 'Sundance'	30-40	5L	Bushy	3 per m2
12	EuEG	Euonymus 'Emerald n Gold'	30-40	5L	Bushy	4 per m2
30	FMP	Fuchsia 'Mrs Popple'	30-40	5L	Bushy	3 per m2
9	HRE	Hebe 'Red Edge'	30-40	5L	Bushy	3 per m2
18	HMW	Hebe 'Mrs Winder'	30-40	5L	Bushy	3 per m2
4	HyBB	Hydrangea 'Bluebird'	30-40	5L	Bushy	2 per m2
3	MmC	Mahonia media 'Charity'	60-80	10L	3-4 breaks	Refer to plan
26	PIV	Pachysandra terminalis 'Variegata'	15-20	2L	Bushy	5 per m2
27	PoA	Potentilla 'Abbotswood'	30-40	5L	Bushy	3 per m2
5	SJR	Skimmia jap. 'Rubella'	30-40	5L	Bushy	3 per m2
10	SpGM	Spirea 'Goldmound'	30-40	5L	Bushy	3 per m2
77	Vd	Viburnum davidii	30-40	5L	Bushy	3 per m2

Herbaceous						
Nr	Code	Name	Height (cm)	Container	Habit	Density
6	HoH	Hosta 'Halcyon'		5L		4 per m2
15	SeS	Sedum 'Stardust'		5L		5 per m2

Climbers						
Nr	Code	Name	Height (cm)	Container	Habit	Density
14	HhG	Hedera helix 'Glacier'	40-60	2L	Sev leaders	0.6m ctr

Hedge						
Nr	Code	Name	Height (cm)	Container	Habit	Density
221	Lo	Ligustrum ovalifolium	80-100	5L	Bushy	3 per lin m

Trees						
Nr	Code	Name	Height (cm)	Girth	Root	Fom
3	AmRH	Amelanchier 'Robin Hill'	300-350	10-12cm	RB/BR	Selected Std
1	BeP	Betula pendula	425-600	14-16cm	RB	Extra Heavy Std
4	CbFF	Carpinus betulus 'Frans Fontaine'	425-600	14-16cm	RB	Extra Heavy Std
5	CrP	Crataegus x prunifolia	300-350	10-12cm	RB/BR	Selected Std
7	Sal	Sorbus aria 'Lutescens'	300-350	10-12cm	RB/BR	Selected Std

TREE IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Extract taken from Mulberry Tree Management AIS 4.1

	Trees to be retained		Trees to be removed	
	With no impact	With detailed construction	Due to condition	Due to development
Tree No.	T1, T2, T3, T6 & T7	N/A	T4, T5, G1, G2, G3 & G4	N/A

TREE REPLACEMENT STRATEGY

Trees to be removed	32 no
Trees proposed	20no

Rev	Description	Initial	Date
B	*Trees added to Plots 7&8, south elev of apartments	KAS	Mar22
A	*Amended to latest arc prps	KAS	Jan22

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