



**Soft Landscape Programme**

Mixed Hedging along the Back Road boundary will be planted either prior to occupation of phase 1 or within the first season following occupation, depending on time of occupation

The remaining Mixed Hedging will be planted following completion of the southern car park

The Privet Hedging alongside the western section of car park will be planted on completion of that car park which will be constructed as part of Phase 1

The remaining Privet Hedging will be planted on completion of the main car park

Turfing and seeding of grass will follow completion of the adjacent sections of hard landscaping

The copper beech trees will be planted on completion of preparation of the adjacent car park area.

**Mixed Hedge Specification**

**Site Clearance**  
Where practical, planting areas will be treated to clear scrub and weeds with 'Round-Up' or equivalent two weeks prior to clearance.

Generally scrub and grass overgrowth will be cut down and mulched away to prepare the areas for planting

**Mixed Species:**

Species:	Latin	%
Hawthorn	<i>Cotoneaster monogyna</i>	45
Blackthorn	<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	20
Common Privet	<i>Ligustrum vulgare</i>	10
Field Maple	<i>Acer campestre</i>	10
Purging buckthorn	<i>Rhamnus cathartica</i>	5
Dogwood	<i>Cornus sanguinea</i>	5
Wayfaring tree	<i>Viburnum lantana</i>	5

**Plant size**  
600 high two year old bare root transplants, 1 plus 1

**Spacing / Density**  
Hedges will be planted as a double staggered row, with rows 250mm apart and plants in each 250mm apart. The boundary row will be set 1 metre from the site boundary / sight line. This density will provide 8 plants per metre of hedging.

**Establishment and Maintenance**  
Whips will be planted through 1 metre wide plastic mulch. Slow release fertilizer will be applied to help establish the plants.

Rabbit/stockproof fencing and / or guards and comes will be used to protect plants also help to prevent people taking a short cut through the new hedgerow, until such times as the hedgerow is fully established. Watering will be used as necessary where planting occurs outside of the planting season (Oct-March) and in dry periods during the Summer

Until the hedging is fully established, it will be cut annually, following which cutting will be carried out every two to three years. Cutting will be carried outside of the bird nesting season (early March to the end of August).

With the use of plastic mulching, a system of weed control is not required. Quarterly checks and topping up / repairing, or re-applying mulch will be made.

Where appropriate, protective fencing will be repaired / replaced until such times as the hedge is fully established.

**Existing Hedges**  
Existing hedges will be cut and maintained at a minimum height of 2 metres above the adjacent ground level. Any gaps wider than 750mm in the existing hedge will be re-stocked.

**Lawn Grass**  
All turfed areas will be turfed using clean and strong turf, well bonded and tamped into a prepared topsoil bed.

On slopes, turf will be laid diagonally and pegged as necessary using wooden pegs left flush with the surface.

**Seeding**  
Grass seed as specified below will be evenly sown at the proper time at a rate of not less than 1kg to 30 sqm, and lightly raked into the soil. In the case of failure, the sowing will be repeated until the grass is established.

The grass seed will comprise the following mix:

Chewings Fescue ( <i>Festuca Rubra Commutata</i> )	24%
Smooth Stalked Meadow grass ( <i>Poa Pratensis</i> )	24%
Hard Fescue ( <i>Festuca Rubra</i> )	24%
Brown Top ( <i>Agrostis Tenus</i> )	8%
Perennial Ryegrass ( <i>Lolium Perenne</i> ) 'ranger'	5%

**Grassed Areas**  
Grassed areas away from buildings will be sown with Italian Ryegrass (*Lolium Multiflorum*) at the rates specified by the vendors

**Tree Specification**  
One tree is proposed on the development site, located as shown

The species of tree will be copper beech (*Fagus Sylvatica Purpurea*), 40-60 cm height with an expected maturity height of 15 metres

A planting pit (1m x 1m x 700 deep) will be dug with the tree initially supported by a stake (50mm dia x 1.8m high) with two straps and protected by spiral guard and mulch mat at the base. 25 litres of compost and 5g of bonemeal will be applied at the base.

The tree will be inspected regularly to ensure healthy establishment. Tree straps will be adjusted and pruning carried out to control any damage or disease.

**Privet Hedging (*Ligustrum vulgare*)**  
A metre wide strip along the line of the privet hedging will be cleared and appropriate holes dug for the plants.

Plant sizes will be in the range 40 to 60 cm.

Holes will be formed twice the width and the same depth as the root ball of the plants

Compost or well-rotted manure will be mixed into the soil to provide a 5% composition of additive to soil

Plants will be placed such that the top 25mm of the root ball is above the level of the soil, following which the additive soil mix will be backfilled such that the top of the root ball is exposed

Note that the soil is not to be packed around the base of the plants.

**PRELIMINARY**

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