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1.0. OBJECTIVE

The document is designed to ensure that the landscape proposals are thoroughly detailed to satisfy the anticipated planning conditions. It also outlines the implementation process, preparation, and maintenance plan for a period of five years.

For successful implementation and establishment of the proposed landscaping this document aims to cover the following key areas:

- Soil specification
- Preparation of the planting areas
- Nursery stock protection
- Planting technique
- Arrangements for implementation of the scheme
- Aftercare
- Irrigation
- Reference should comply with BS3882:2007, the Specification for Topsoil.

2.0. RELEVANT PLANS

As well as the approved plans, the following are to be read in conjunction with this document and are attached to this report in the appendices:

3.0. PLAN / DOCUMENT NAME REFERENCE NUMBER

Landscape Planting Plan,

3.1. SOIL SPECIFICATION

- All imported soils will be clean, uncontaminated, and sourced from a reputable supplier.
- Information regarding the components and volumes of soils will be available.
- Plant selection will be based on suitability for the specific soil type.
- Imported top soils will be in accordance with BS 3882:2007 specification for Top Soil.
- Only peat-free composts will be used for planting trees and shrubs.

4.0. PREPARATION OF THE PLANTING AREAS

After planting, a 75mm thick layer of treated bark mulch will be applied to the planting areas to minimize weed growth.

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5.0. NURSERY STOCK PROTECTION

- All plants will be purchased from a reputable supplier and be clearly labelled with the botanical name of the plant; the suppliers name and other information i.e. plant passport number. Information regarding the country of origin and the age of the plants will also be provided.
- Plants will be free from pests and diseases and show no signs of damage. All plants will be inspected on delivery to the site.
- Adverse weather conditions will be avoided to protect the plants. Plants will not be left to dry out and will be stored away from strong winds.
- Protective wrapping will be removed from bare-rooted plants, which will then be securely placed in a prepared trench and covered with topsoil. Container-grown plants can be planted outside of this period, provided they receive proper aftercare.
- All plants will be appropriately maintained until used and be kept away from possible sources of contamination or damage. The drying out of all plants will be avoided by watering of the roots if necessary.
- All plants will be in accordance with BS3936-1:1992 and HTA guidance.

6.0. PLANTING TECHNIQUES

- Planting will be carried out in the next available planting season. This usually runs from early November to later February but is dependent on weather conditions.
- Container-grown plants may be planted outside the recommended period if sufficient aftercare is provided.
- Once the planting pit is excavated, plants will be gently placed into the hole with their roots fully spread out, and any damaged roots will be trimmed back to healthy growth.
- Container grown plants will be carefully removed from the pots and the roots gently teased out by hand to ensure no circling roots remain.
- The plant will be carefully held upright in the middle of the pit whilst the excavated soil is put back over the roots in thin layers.
- The plant will be shaken gently up and down, so that when backfilling the soil gets between and around the roots. The soil will be firmed down.
- The plant will be planted ensuring that the nursery mark on the stem is level with the final level of the backfilled soil.
- The final backfill layer will be slightly elevated above the surrounding soil levels.
- All standard trees will be staked using the method outlined in Appendix 2.
- A maximum depth of 75mm of composted wood chip mulch will be applied across the entire width of the pit, surrounding the base of each plant, creating a continuous mulch line along the newly planted areas.
- The preparation and planting of all trees and plants will comply with BS 4428: 1989.

7.0. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LANDSCAPE PROPOSALS

- The landscape proposals will be overseen by the Landscape & Garden Design Company and implemented by the client, and approved landscape contractor (to be appointed).

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- A contact for the contractor together with relevant contact details will be supplied to the Local Authority.
- On completion of the implementation of the landscape proposals, the contractor will invite the Local Authority to inspect the completion of the scheme.
- Any necessary amendments to the implemented landscape proposals will be undertaken immediately after the Local Authority inspection and reported back to the Local Planning Authority.

8.0. AFTERCARE

To be carried out by a client approved Landscaper /Arboriculture's to enable liaison with the local authority tree and landscape section. (To be appointed)

In March/April plants will be checked for survival.

8.1. Spring

Any plants that have died will be replaced using the same methods for planting.

- Any loose soil around the base of the new plants and any plants lifted by frost will be firmed down by foot.
- Mulching depth will be checked and reinstated to a depth of 50mm if inadequate.
- Regular watering will occur. See section 8.0 Irrigation.

8.2. Summer

- Plants will be inspected and checked for any diseases or problems and rectified as appropriate.
- The mulch will be checked and reinstated if found to be inadequate.
- Weeds will be removed by hand if found to be growing in the mulched area.
- The plants will be formatively pruned where identified as necessary to ensure good long-term form.
- Regular watering will occur. See section 8.0 Irrigation.

8.3. Autumn

- Ties and plants will be checked to establish whether or not they have a secure root-hold and can remain upright.
- Stakes and supports will be removed once the plants show they can support themselves.
- The mulch depth will be inspected and replenished if found insufficient.

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- Regular watering will be maintained if extended summer temperatures persist or if drying winds are present. Refer to section 8.0 Irrigation.

9.0. IRRIGATION

- All newly planted areas will require regular irrigation during the growing season.
- Water requirements will vary based on plant species, soil type, and weather conditions.
- Watering will be conducted using a hosepipe equipped with a fine rose attachment.
- Irrigation will continue for the first two growing seasons to promote healthy root establishment.
- Watering will be scheduled early in the morning or late in the afternoon to minimize evaporation and prevent leaf scorch.

10.0. REFERENCES

The following publications were referenced in the preparation of this method statement:

- British Standard Trees in relation to design, demolition & construction – Recommendations BS 5837:2012 British Standard Specification for Top soil BS 3882: 2007
- British Standard Nursery stock (various parts) BS 3936-1: 1992
- British Standard Code of Practice for General Landscape Operations, BS 4428:1989.
- British Standard Recommendations for Maintenance of landscape Company (Other than amenity turf).BS 7370: Part 4 1993.
- British standard Recommendations for turf for general purposes BS 3969:1998+A1:2013 HTA National Plant Specification

11.0. APPENDICES

- Landscape Planting Plan:
- Tree Staking Method