



Key:

Hedgerow clearance

Proposed woodland block planting

Sub-surface drainage pipe

Overflow pipe to existing pond

Non Intervention Wildflower Grassland

LANDSCAPE SPECIFICATION

SITE PREPARATION

Topsoil
Existing topsoil shall be stripped before building works begin. Imported topsoil shall be to BS3882: 2007 Specification for Topsoil and Requirements for Use. Topsoil shall be multi-purpose grade, of medium texture, with a high proportion of fertile loamy material. It shall be free from subsoil, rubbish, rubble, contamination, roots of perennial weeds and other materials injurious to plant growth. The maximum stone content of the soil shall be 20%, with the maximum size of stone 25mm in any one dimension. All topsoil shall be stacked in heaps, not exceeding 2m high. During storage, topsoil heaps shall be kept free from compaction, contamination and weeds.

Excavation
Excavation shall NOT be undertaken within the root protection area of any existing trees or shrubs to be retained. Unless otherwise indicated areas to be planted / seeded shall be cleared of all surface rubbish and excavated to the dimensions below finished level as follows, when the soil is not waterlogged or frozen. Ensure the location of all services is known before any excavation operations.

Shrub pit: 450mm deep
Grass areas: 150mm deep

The base of excavated areas shall be forked or otherwise cultivated to a depth of 150mm to facilitate drainage and all bricks, stones and other debris, etc. over 75mm in any one dimension shall be removed. Similarly, areas trafficked by construction vehicles shall be ripped to a depth of 150–300mm to relieve compaction.

Backfilling with Subsoil
Where excavated areas are lower than the required depths, excavations shall be backfilled with selected subsoil and lightly consolidated to make up levels. Selected subsoil shall be friable, second quality topsoil or similar and be free of rubbish, roots, stones over 75mm in any one dimension, perennial weeds or other materials injurious to plant growth.

Backfilling with Topsoil
Tree, shrub and hedge pit / trench excavations shall be backfilled, in layers, with clean topsoil (as specified above) thoroughly mixed with planting compost e.g. 'Greentree' compost at a rate of 20 litres/m². An approved tree and shrub fertilizer shall be added to topsoil, prior to backfilling tree-pits. Grass areas (excluding wildflower grassland areas) shall be backfilled with topsoil in layers of 150mm depth.

Cultivation
Cultivation shall not be undertaken within the root protection area of any trees / shrubs to be retained, without prior agreement from the Local Planning Authority. Topsoil shall be cultivated by hand or machine prior to planting, with minimal compaction by machine. Cultivate to the following depths and tilth, removing all rubbish, vegetation, perennial weeds, roots, stones over 25mm in any one dimension and rake to even levels.

Planting areas: 300mm deep cultivation to medium tilth
Grass seeding areas: 150mm deep cultivation to fine tilth raked to a smooth evenly firmed bed

Grassland areas: Where un-excavated areas are to be seeded with limited intervention grassland mix the topsoil shall be cultivated to turn the soil over to a depth of 300mm to bring subsoil to the surface. Elsewhere, excavated areas to be seeded with limited intervention grassland mix to be backfilled to finished levels with subsoil (as above).

WOODLAND BLOCK PLANTING MIX

Number	Species	Specification	Density
75 No.	Acer campestre	BR :3x :1/3 brks :Transplant	2Ctr
75 No.	Betula pendula	BR :3x :1/3 brks :Transplant	2Ctr
75 No.	Carpinus betulus	BR :3x :1/3 brks :Transplant	2Ctr
150 No.	Corylus avellana	BR :3x :1/3 brks :Transplant	2Ctr
75 No.	Prunus avium	BR :3x :1/3 brks :Transplant	2Ctr
150 No.	Quercus robur	BR :3x :1/3 brks :Transplant	2Ctr
75 No.	Quercus rubra	BR :3x :1/3 brks :Transplant	2Ctr
75 No.	Ilex aquifolium	Leader with Laterals: C	2Ctr

Total : 750 No.

Polo Pitch Mix

Supplier: Barenbrug - BAR Sprint RPR

Sowing rate - 25g/m2

Location as indicated on plan

Species	Percentage
Bardorado (Perennial Ryegrass)	40.0%
Barillion (Perennial Ryegrass)	30.0%
Barclay II (Perennial Ryegrass)	15.0%
Copeland (Intermediate Perennial Ryegrass - DIP)	15.0%

Limited Intervention Grassland Mix

Supplier: Emsorgate or similar approved

Sowing rate - 20g/m2

Outside polo pitch

Species	Percentage
Adinda (Strong Creeping Red Fescue)	35.0%
Bornito (Tall Fescue)	20.0%
Pintor (Hard Fescue)	20.0%
Olivia (Chewings Fescue)	20.0%
Highland (Brown Bent)	5.0%

PLANTING

Plant Stock and Timing

Plant material and operations shall conform to BS 3936 Nursery Stock (Parts 1–10), BS 4428: 1989, BS 4043:1989 and BS 5837: 2012. The planting season shall be from the 1st October to the 31st March. Container grown stock may be planted outside this season if accompanied by daily watering, or as necessary to ensure healthy establishment. Planting shall not be carried out during periods of frost, drought, cold drying winds or when the soil is waterlogged or frozen.

Planting

All planting that is within the root protection area of existing trees/shrubs to be retained, shall be undertaken by hand and positions altered should tree roots be encountered, in order to avoid damage to the root system.

All plants shall be set out evenly over the areas as indicated, to the density and quantities shown. All plants shall be planted upright at the same depth as the nursery soil level and evenly spaced, leaving room for growth. All restrictive containers shall be removed with roots not twisted. Immediately following planting, all plants shall be watered-in to field capacity.

Container grown and root balled plants shall be planted in a planting pit sufficient to accommodate the plant without causing root damage, with a minimum 50mm backfill beyond the root ball extent. Plants to be firmed, watered-in and dead, damaged or lopsided branches shall be removed after planting. Bare-root plants shall be slit planted, incorporating an approved high phosphate, slow-release fertilizer.

Tree Planting and Support

Trees shall be planted as per detail. Dead, damaged or straggly branches shall be removed after planting. All transplants shall be fitted with individual protection ie shrub shelters, spiral guards as specified, or alternatively the planting areas shall be protected with rabbit-proof fencing. All shrub shelters / spiral guards shall be black or green, adequately supported and installed to allow for expansion.

Mulching

Prior to the application of mulch the planting areas shall be completely weed free and watered sufficiently to achieve field capacity. The surface of the planting areas shall be mulched with a minimum 75mm depth layer of 15–65mm nominal particle size, dark, matured woodchip mulch, ensuring that the low branches of trees, shrubs and/or herbaceous plants are NOT smothered.

Mulch shall be an approved product and completely weed and weed seed free. The mulch shall be topped-up to maintain, after settlement, a depth of not less than 50mm. Trees in grass areas shall be planted centrally within a 1m diameter mulch bed, to be mulched to 75mm deep. The surface of mulch to be 10mm below the surface of adjacent lawn / hard surface.

GRASS AREAS

Polo Pitch Seeding

Areas of amenity grass shall be seeded with the specified grass mix during the period March to May or September to October, during periods of suitable warm and moist weather conditions. Pre-seeding fertiliser shall be applied to manufacturer's recommendations. Seed shall be sown on even, prepared ground (as detailed above), at a rate of 35g/m2, in two transverse operations. Lightly roll seed bed after sowing. Water as necessary to avoid shrinkage and achieve satisfactory establishment. Undertake good horticultural practice to ensure establishment of a healthy grass sward.

Limited Intervention Grassland Seeding

Areas of limited intervention grassland shall be seeded with a grassland mix suitable for the soil type as specified, during the period March to May or September to October, during periods of suitable warm and moist weather conditions. Seed shall be sown on prepared ground (as detailed above), at a rate of 5g/m2 or as specified. Lightly roll seed bed after sowing. Water as necessary to avoid shrinkage and achieve satisfactory establishment. Undertake good horticultural practice to ensure establishment of a healthy wildflower grass sward.

AFTERCARE PERIOD

Regular Visits

During the specified Aftercare Period maintenance visits shall be carried out, at least monthly from April to September and twice during the dormant season to carry out the following operations to establish healthy growing plants / grass in weed free areas: watering, firming-up, removal of litter, pest and disease control, general pruning, checking guards, ties and stakes, weed control, grass cutting and autumn tidying. All arisings shall be carted away and the site shall be left clean and tidy at all times.

Watering

All planting and grass areas shall not be allowed to dry out and shall be kept well watered during the growing season, ensuring the soil is kept moist at all times but avoiding waterlogging.

Replacement Planting

During each August within the Aftercare Period an inspection shall be made and all plants that have died, are missing, damaged or have failed to thrive, shall be noted and replaced in the following planting season.

Grass Cutting

During the first and subsequent growing seasons amenity grass shall be kept at a height of 25mm to 50mm. Selective weed control shall be undertaken as necessary once the sward is sufficiently established.

Limited Intervention Grassland Cutting

During the first growing season cut grassland every 2 months to a height of 50mm and in subsequent growing seasons cut to 50mm height during late March and late August / early September or as specified. All arisings shall be collected and removed from the site to avoid smothering the sward and to reduce nutrient levels. Spot treat perennial weeds with Glyphosate at the manufacturer's recommended dose rate / or hand pull.

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