

Jeremy Rye Studio

Proposed Landscape Strategy Stocking Hill, Cottered, Buntingford

Date: 20/12/2022

Rev: A







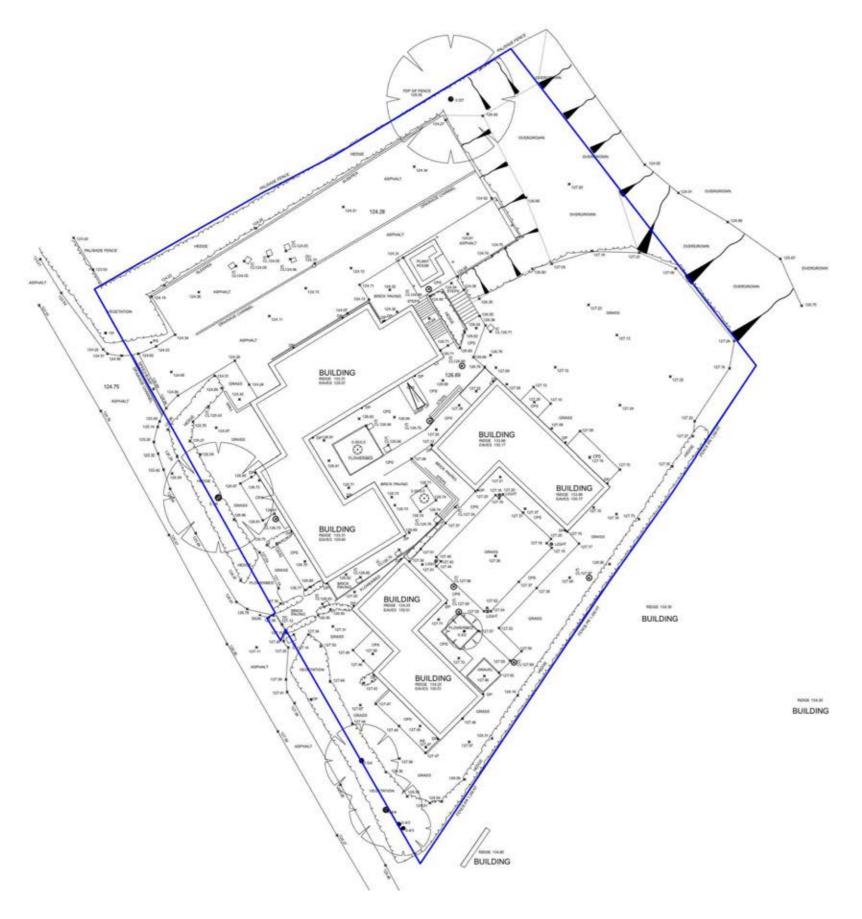
Stocking Hill, Buntingford Existing Demise Boundary.

Proposal.

The creation of six enclosed garden spaces for the residential units. Previously approved hedging will be reinstated to contain the sides. Permission is sought to enclose these garden spaces with estate rail and gates.

In addition, it is proposed to reinstate both the meadow that has been lost to maintained grass and a tree in the internal courtyards.







Stocking Hill, Buntingford Existing Layout





Estate rail gate



Estate rail



Reinstate with hedges and use estate rail with gates, to enclose the gardens.





Native hedge along the road has become gappy and insecure. Placing estate rail on the inner side of the hedge follows the same language we are using around the estate and provides a barrier.





Estate rail is a traditional rural language for enclosure. Whilst providing security it maintains a sense of openness.







Stocking Hill, Buntingford Explanation



Long views out from and to the site, compromised by overgrown native shrubs.

Area is no longer part of the site and owned and managed by a neighbour.





Long views out from and to the site compromised by overgrown native shrubs.

This area part of the site but the planted beech hedge has become overgrown.





Rural views to NNW still open. Trees that were to be planted along this boundary are no longer there.

Leaves more open views from the two house terraces and from these rear gardens and communal meadow.

Additional car port and PV's not part of original scheme and compromises the sense of openness, in terms of suburban paraphernalia





Stocking Hill, Buntingford
Openness

Jeremy Rye Studio



Rural feel still exists in the rear of the site.

Original hedges have been removed.

The addition of a car port though has changed the overall feel of this part of the site. Altering it from a purely rural aspect to a more institutional one. The additional of a stair lift and the removal of sections of hedge, have added to this.

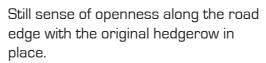




Additional changes to the internal site landscape with provision of step free access to each unit has altered the rural/barn narrative of the original scheme.

The approved scheme was two clear levels, with four units per level and simple materials and lines delineating each.

Begun to give it an institutional feel with railings dotted around the site and suburban pots and seating.



Lack of constant maintenance though has meant that residents have pruned and removed shrubs, to get more light into the garden spaces.

In doing this, it has reduced the familiar narrative of other rural roads, allowing views and access though the hedge in places.

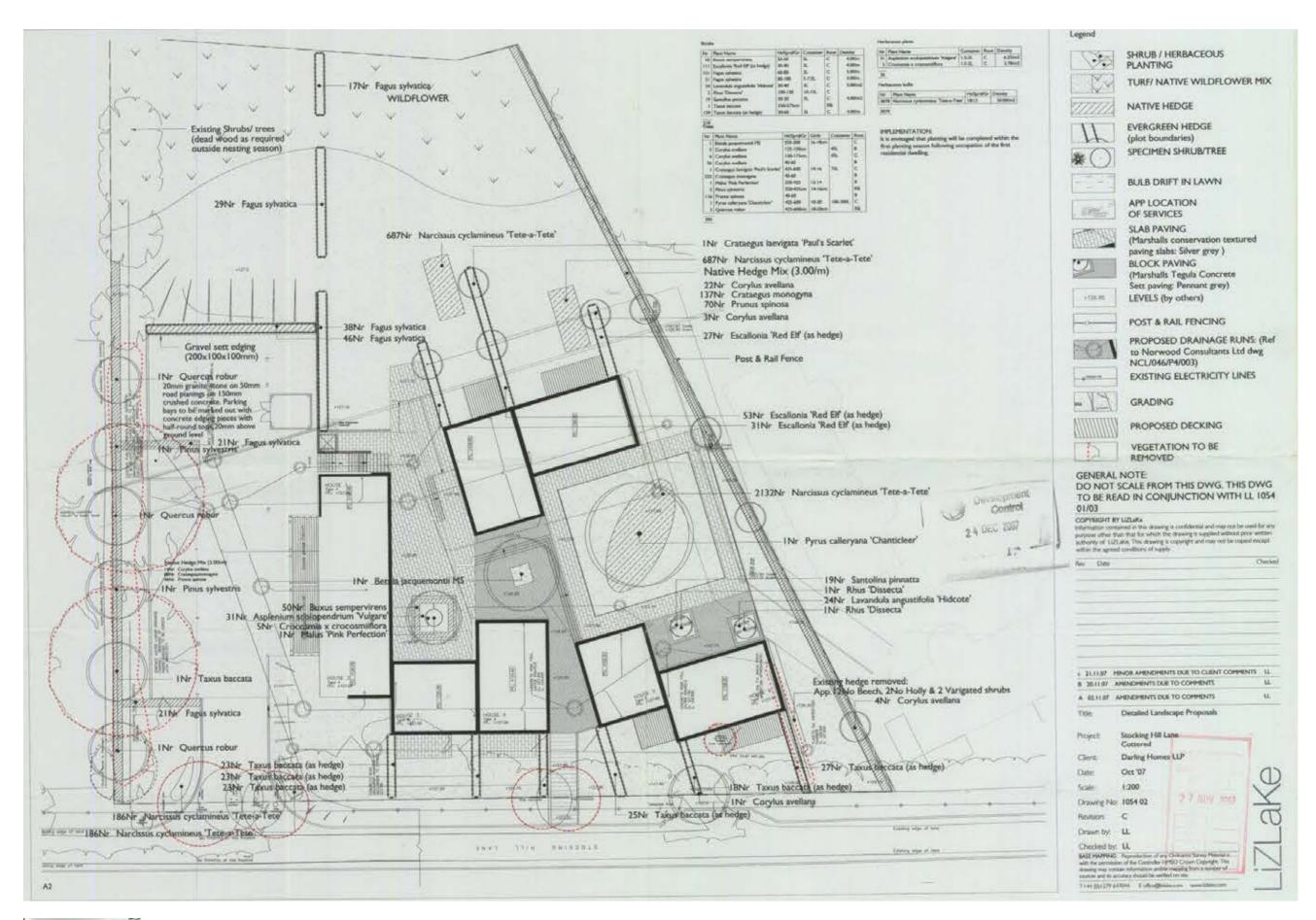








Stocking Hill, Buntingford
Openness





Stocking Hill, Buntingford Original approved plan.

