Landscape Proposals, Planting Schedule and Specification

22/2680/FUL

Land at Littledown Farm, Yarcombe, Honiton, EX14 9LZ

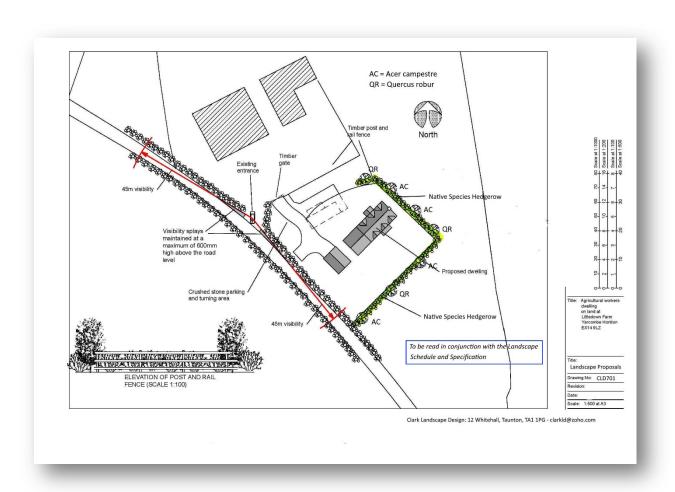
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Landscape Proposals

To meet the requirements of Condition 5 of the Planning Approval, 22/2680/FUL it is proposed to:

- Define the garden boundaries with post and three rail fencing and double staggered rows of native species mix of Hawthorn, Hazel, Field Maple and Holly. A number of trees, including Oak and Field Maple, will be planted within the hedgerow and allowed to mature.
- The existing hedgerow to the south-west will be allowed to grow up to between 3-4m high before selecting suitable species, such as Beech, to grow on as 'maiden' trees.



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Plant Specification, Schedule, Maintenance and Management

Garden Boundary Hedgerows – 45-60cm bare root stock Protected by spiral rabbit guards

(4/m in double staggered rows at 0.5m apart)
168 Acer campestre (30%)
168 Corylus avellana (30%)
168 Crataegus monogyna (30%)
56 Ilex aquifolium (10%)

Garden Hedgerow Trees

Protected by spiral rabbit guards

Trees – 1.2-1.5m feathered trees

4 Acer campestre (AC)

3 Quercus robur (QR)

General landscape specification

The following planting will be carried out in accordance with:

BS8545:2014 – Trees: from nursery to independence in the landscape

BS4428:1989 – Code of practice for general landscape operations (excluding hard surfaces)

BS3936-4:2007 – Nursery stock (specification for forest trees, poplars and willows)

Herbicides should be applied strictly in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and the Food and Environment Protection Act 1985.

It will be the responsibility of the developer to design foundations to accommodate all proposed and existing tree and shrub planting, with reference made to NHBC Standards, Parts 4.2, 2011 (*Building near Trees*).

The developer should satisfy themselves that all trees are a safe distance from drainage runs and services and that no planting falls within service strips.

The landscape contractors shall make themselves aware of all service locations prior to commencing planting operations.

Where any deviation from this specification occurs within a scheme, the contractor shall request the relevant detail from the designer prior to proceeding.

Plant Stock

All plant material to be as specified in the Plant Schedule, and available for inspection by the Landscape Architect.

All plant material to be in accordance with BS8545:2014 – Trees: from nursery to independence in the landscape; BS3969 1998 'Recommendations for Turf for General Purpose' and 'Handling and Establishing Landscape Plants' HTA 1985, revised edition March 2002.

Any stock planted outside the recognised planting season to be containerised. Containerised plant stock to have fully developed root system within the specified pot size. Where growing on in the nursery is necessary all plant material is to be re-potted to the next approved pot size, re-spaced to allow for 15-20% growth per growing season and maintained to healthy vigorous growth irrespective of weather conditions.

Planting Specification - Proposed Trees and Hedges

All planting areas to be weed free prior to planting and weeded as necessary on a regular basis thereafter.

Garden Tree and Hedgerow Planting

All hedgerow trees to be planted within the existing hedgerow banks and their location marked with a 3m high marker post so that when hedge trimming the new trees can be identified and not be trimmed as per the hedgerow.

Hedging to be notch planted. Work to be in accordance with BS4043:1989. All trees to checked regularly for the duration of the 12 Month Maintenance Period.

All planting stock to be protected by spiral rabbit guards each with a cane for support.

Please note it is not intended to install a new hedgebank for the garden boundary planting but to erect post and three rail fencing.

Existing Hedgerow Protection Fencing

The existing south-western boundary hedgerow and bank will be protected with post and sheep netting to 1.5m high to avoid possible incursion from building works. The hedgerow will be set 1.0m in from the base of the hedge and bank. The posts will be pressure treated with preservative.

Year one maintenance

Regular visits shall be made for twelve months following practical completion, to maintain all planted areas in a weed and litter free condition. Minimum number of visits to be:-

• Tree and hedgerow areas min. 6 visits per annum

Maintenance visits to include watering, pruning, pest/disease control, litter removal, checking tree stakes as required.

Please refer to the **Plant Schedules** above for details of species.

Maintenance and management for the first ten years

Any plants that are found dying or dead within the first five years after planting will be replaced like for like.

During the first two growing season any weed growth will be hand weeded at least three times during the growing season in April, June and September.

Hedgerow plants will be lightly side and top pruned to encourage bushy growth.

Trees will be formatively pruned annually to remove crossing, diseased and broken branches. After two years it should be possible to remove the short stakes subject to good establishment of root stock.

After two years the trees and hedgerows should be well established and no longer require weeding on a regular basis.