

HEDGEROW PLANTING

All hedgerow planting should be carried out in accordance with BS4428:1989, Code of practice for general landscape operations. Hedgerow shrubs should either be notch planted or trench planted. Hedge trenches should be dug to a minimum depth of 400mm and width of 600mm, with the plants put into the ground at the same depth at which they had been previously grown in the nursery. All plants need to be well heeled in after planting and watered in during dry weather. If hedging plant is supplied as a bare root specimen, it is important to make sure the roots do not dry out. It is advisable to keep them under a moist cloth or in a bucket of water during planting. Hedges should only be planted between November and March, while plants are still dormant. Avoid planting in very cold or wet weather.

Where hedgerow trees are to be included, these should be spaced at least 30m apart to prevent them overshadowing the hedge. To establish trees, they can be planted in the line of the new hedge along with the hedge plants, but use tree shelters to allow their identification during maintenance.

PLANTING SPECIFICATION

The existing hedge rows to be maintained will be retained with proactive management. New Hedge infill to be planted in two, staggered rows at a density of not less than 5 hedge plants per meter, with approximately 450mm between plants in the same row, and 300-400mm between rows. The interplant whips / transplants should be planted within this pattern in groups of 2-3.

WEED CONTROL

Clear area of 1 metre across line of hedge of all vegetation in line with the new hedge. Provide a Mulch layer of composted bark or chippings over cleared area in order to suppress weed growth, mulch layer must be at least 100mm deep.

HEDGE TRIMMING

Hedges to be trimmed in January or February to avoid the destruction of bird's nests, and allow any berry crop to be used by wintering birds. Trim on a two or three year rotation, rather than annually.

HEDGEROW SPECIFICATION & PLANTING

Proposed Native Species - Rich Hedgerow to consist of a mixture of the following species to provide a good balance between cover and food for wildlife: 70% Hawthorn and Blackthorn; and 30% of the following species: Hazel; Dogwood; Spindle; Holly; Juniper; Guelder Rose; Wild Cherry; Bird Cherry; Crab Apple; Field maple; and Wild Rose.

Management

Hedges are to remain alive for at least 5 years after they are planted and will be replaced on a like for like basis should they not survive within this period. 2 annual inspections will be conducted in each of the first 5 years after the hedge has been planted to be conducted in early November and late March to determine if any of the plants have not survived and can be replaced in that planting season. The hedge will be cut back by hand, maintaining a height of 2m, every two years in January or February. On-going gapping up will be undertaken as required. Long term management after 5 years of planting will be conducted by an annual trim of the hedge to keep the hedgerows in good condition for a number of years, occasional restoration work is likely to be necessary to prevent gaps developing or hedges turning into a line of trees. This will be conducted by coppicing the stems at ground level if the hedge is too overgrown. Standard tree(s) can be allowed to be developed where suitable over time.

Planting and management aftercare strategy as follows:-

A 2m strip will be cleared of vegetation and large stones before digging in an organic fertilizer;

60 – 90cm whips will be planted in the autumn/winter, in a staggered double row approximately 50cm between rows and five plants per linear metre;

Whips will be provided with a heavy mulch and will be well-watered in;

Whips will be protected by spiral Rabbit guards;

If any plants die within five years of planting, they will be replaced on a like-for-like basis;

Grazing animals will be excluded from the area;

The area will be fed annually with supplementary watering applied during the first two years, if required.

TREE SPECIFICATION & PLANTING

Trees are to remain alive for at least 5 years after they are planted and will be replaced on a like for like basis should they not survive within this period.

Trees located within a residential garden area will have no formal protection measures will be put in place. Trees within the wildflower meadow will benefit from a 1m agricultural fence max mesh size 150mm x 150mm. 1.8m tree shelter guards are also to be provided manufactured from 12 gauge galvanised wire with 25mm x 75mm grid size. Each tree will benefit from a support timber stake, placed vertical to the trunk.

Weed and grass control will actively be maintained for at least the first three years after planting, with the existing ground vegetation around the trees to be destroyed and area around the trees to be wood chipped mulching minimum of 100mm depth by 1m².

Bare root stock trees are to be planted between November and the end of March, preparation of the planting environment should be at least to the standards set out in British Standard BS4428:1989 code of practice for general landscaping operations. Trees to be planted to a depth appropriate to the size of the plant stock, which should be to the same depth at which they had been previously grown in the nursery. It is important that all plants are well heeled in after planting and watered in during dry weather.



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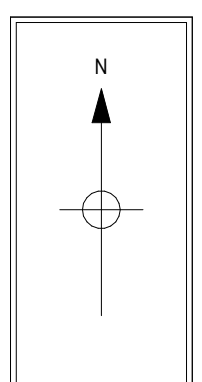
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Landscaping Key:

- = Proposed Tree
- = Proposed Hedgerow
- = Existing Site Level
- = Site Boundary
- = Existing Tree
- = Existing Hedgerow
- = Existing hardstanding



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 Proposed Landscape Plan

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