



Existing & Proposed drains shown for clarity of tree positions and shall not affect the positions of the trees. Please see Scottish Water drawing with full drainage layouts.

It is intended to use plants that provide food and shelter for mammals and birds. We shall have a mixture of fragrant flowers like buddleia, lavender, dandelions and bluebells that will attract butterflies and bees, also some fruit trees and shrubs for the mammals and birds.

Various nesting boxes shall be installed in suitable locations to catch the morning sun for butterflies, bees and insects. Birds nesting boxes shall not be too close to bird feeders and bird baths as high levels of activity from visiting birds will cause disruption to established nests.

All replacement trees to be 2.5m-3m in height with a trunk diameter of approximately 50mm. Sourced from a Northern plantation and cannot be planted until September after all building works are completed.

Proposed landscaping scheme:

Further to your email today (19.03.24) and copy of Natural Environment Team letter please see notes below and drawing after our site visit.

Four trees were removed due to being diseased and after all the storms over the last 12-18 months because of - Agnes in September 2023, Babet in October, Claran and Debi in November, Elin, Fergus and Gerrit in December, and Henk, Isha and Jocelyn in January 2024. The trees were unsafe.

My Envirogeotek colleague arborist inspected the trees to the East of the houses at 30 and 30a King Street which due to disease was damaged already and trunk had severe splits and disease and rot and partly lets call it wild coppiced (multi branched though it was more due to poor lopping). The trees in the area are technically protected as are all trees in Scotland now not just Conservation Areas, however the wind blown effect due to the storms require 6 weeks notice, and was such that the immediate tree canted over was a severe danger to life and property of local authority neighbouring properties and to workpeople on site. The public who had entered the site at times albeit illegally there is a duty of care.

Hence we called in our normal tree surgeon H Gilmour for advice - who confirmed that felling was the only answer due to trunk breakage and that falls into to exemption category - danger to people and property - therefore the process was necessary. You elected to get your own tree surgeon and he carried out the process as I evidenced myself on site and in fact I have taken some of the logs with your permission and they are near dry now in lieu of a fee thank you.

I would also confirm that the holly at the South was wildly overgrown and intermingled branches with many offshoots west of the one tree was made up of many offshoots many of which are less than 10 cm and this not tree Perce. The main trunk of same was split and not worthy of being called a tree though the greenery was over growing it was not a tree.

I would advise use of replacement trees which is required as advised by Natural Environment Team and ourselves which can only be done in late autumn and once building works are completed. - to be either small tree to prevent service damage and between the properties and shading.

The hedging can be a mixture of privet, box hedge, hawthorn, blackthorn, dog rose along with some white lavender. Holly as per the plan too. Rowan tree is small. A flowering Cherry which in 20 years will require lopping. Fruiting Cherry is also feasible here.

Trees to avoid are:
Alder tall.
Oak which is slow and will damage ground and buildings.
Elm prone to disease and too big.

There shall be 2 Rowan & 2 Cherry trees planted and they shall be protected with YPVC sleeves and suitably staked until rooted.

The following planning application was requested to be withdrawn on the 16th April 2024, which makes this new application the "free go"
APP/2024/0145 | Erection of Dwellinghouse and Garage | Land At 30A King Street Oldmeldrum AB51 0EQ

Contract/Drawing No: PL1024-04-04			
Rev:	Amendment:	Date:	Initials:

Contract Title:
REPLACEMENT COTTAGE & GARAGE AT REAR OF 30 & 30A KING STREET OLDMELDRUM AB51 0EQ FOR MR W MCBEY

Drawing Title:
LANDSCAPING SCHEME DESIGN

Scales: 1:100

Date: 17.04.24 Drawn by: W J MCBEY

THIS DRAWING TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH

Drawing No.
Engineers Design No.

Proposed Landscaping scheme Scale 1:100

