

PLANTING SPECIFICATION:**IMPLEMENTATION**

All planting to be carried out in the first available planting season following reasonable completion of the development.

TOPSOIL REQUIREMENTS

Imported topsoil to be clean, dry sandy loam topsoil to be BS 3882, medium texture, neutral pH value, reasonably stone free with no stones over 20mm in size. Recommended supplier:

GreenBlue Urban
Northport, Community Park, Junction Road, Bodiam TN32 6BS
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Topsoil depths to be 450mm for shrubs and hedges & 150mm for grass areas. Finished topsoil levels to be 25mm above adjacent paved surfaces, and 300mm wide hard surfaced moving margin (gravel or paving) to be provided where grass adjoins buildings.

TREE PLANTING
All tree handling, storage and planting should be carried out in accordance with Section 9 & 10 of BS4568-2004, from the date of issue in the landscape. Recommendations to be determined on site to avoid conflict with services. Tree planting package to be supplied by GreenBlue Urban and installed in accordance with their installation and planting specification. Each tree planting package to include Root space soil cells, Rootos 2000, and RootPain Metro.

Multi-stem trees to be underplanted by underground piping, standard trees to be supplied with single stem (minimum 100mm diameter) with the ground and cross bar, and secured with a rubber tie. Stakes to be pressure impregnated softwood, round, peeled, straight, free of projection and pointed at one end.

ORNAMENTAL SHRUB AND GROUNDCOVER PLANTING
Ornamental shrub and groundcover planting to be spaced evenly in species groups of 3-5 or as otherwise stated on the drawing. Before planting remove and non-perishable containers and prune any badly damaged roots. Plant upright or well-balanced, returning excavated soil to finished level at original soil mark.

CLIPPED HEDGING
Planting as above. Hornbeam (*Carpinus*) and Berry (Berberis) hedging to be trimmed twice per year, in early spring and late summer. Aim to achieve bushy growth, clipped to a neat, regular, form at approx. 1.2m high. Lonicera hedging to be trimmed two-three times per year as necessary. Aim to achieve compact bushy growth, clipped to a neat, regular form at approx. 60cm high.

WATERING
Supply a minimum 54 litres per tree and 4.5 litres per shrub at planting.

MULCH
Provide a depth of medium grade chipped bark mulch, size 25-65mm, no fines, free of pests, disease, fungus and weeds to be supplied and spread to all ornamental and shrub planting areas.

ESTABLISHMENT MAINTENANCE
Trees, plants and grass to be maintained during establishment, and any trees, plants or grassed areas that die, fail to establish, are removed or become damaged or diseased within the first 5 years shall be replaced with plants of the same and species.

Make monthly general maintenance visits to communal areas during growing season. Visits to include weeding, general area cleaning, removal of all litter and debris, and cutting, grass weed control by a combination of non-residual herbicides and hand weeding, litter picking and removal of leaves from paved areas.

Trim ground cover plants (except grasses) to maintain compact bushy growth, and remove growth outside planted area.

Trees to be checked annually for any health and safety issues. All tree works should be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of British Standard.

Fork over beds as necessary to keep the soil loose, toppling up mulch to the specified depth.

Water as necessary to ensure establishment and continued thriving of planting, particularly during times of drought.

Collect and remove all litter, including cigarette butts, clean paved areas in accordance with manufacturer's specification.

Tree stakes and ties to be checked and adjusted annually, and removed after approx. 3 years. Landscape maintenance to be carried out in accordance with the schedule below for a minimum period of five years:

	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
PLANT REINFORCEMENT								✓	✓			
PLANT INSPECTION												
WATERING								✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
RE-FIRMING	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
LEAF REMOVAL AND CLEANING PAVING	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
OPERATIONS TO TREES												
WEED CONTROL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
PRUNING	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
TREE INSPECTION	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
TREE SUPPORT, CHECK, ADJUST, REPLACE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
MULCH TOPPING UP	✓											
OPERATIONS TO SHRUBS & HEDGES												
WEED CONTROL												
PRUNING												
MULCH TOPPING UP												

	FORM/GIRTH/HEIGHT	CONDITION	DENSITY	NUMBER
TREES				
<i>Amelanchier alnifolia 'Obelisk'</i>	Feathered 3x9-10cm 250-300cm	RB	N/A	9
<i>Betula utilis 'Snow Queen'</i>	Multi-stem 4x300-350cm	RB	N/A	5
<i>Crataegus monogyna 'Stricta'</i>	Standard 8-10cm 250-300cm	B	N/A	5
<i>Prunus avium x Prunus canescens Schmittii'</i>	Standard 10-12cm 300-350cm	RB	N/A	4
CLIPPED HEDGEROW				
<i>Berberis thunbergii 'Atropurpurea'</i>	60-80cm Branched	C3L	50cm C/C	49
<i>Carpinus betulus</i>	Transplant 60-80cm	B	50cm C/C	185
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ORNAMENTAL AND GROUNDCOVER PLANTING				
<i>Bergenia 'Silberlicht'</i>	25-30cm	C1-2L	5 per m ²	23
<i>Corus canadensis</i>	15-20cm	C1-2L	4 per m ²	157
<i>Euonymus fortunei 'Emerald Gaiety'</i>	30-40cm Bushy	C3L	4 per m ²	35
<i>Hebe pinguifolia 'Pagei'</i>	20-30cm Bushy	C2L	4 per m ²	5
<i>Hedera Helix 'Ester'</i>	20-30cm Several shoots	C1L	4 per m ²	22
<i>Pachysandra terminalis 'Variegata'</i>	20-30cm	C2L	4 per m ²	40
<i>Stipa tenuissima</i>	20-30cm	C1-2L	5 per m ²	93

PLANTING SCHEDULE**GENERAL OPERATIONS****PLANT REINFORCEMENT****PLANT INSPECTION****WATERING****RE-FIRMING****LEAF REMOVAL AND CLEANING PAVING****OPERATIONS TO TREES****WEED CONTROL****PRUNING****MULCH TOPPING UP****OPERATIONS TO SHRUBS & HEDGES****WEED CONTROL****PRUNING****MULCH TOPPING UP****ESTABLISHMENT MAINTENANCE****GENERAL OPERATIONS****PLANT REINFORCEMENT****PLANT INSPECTION****WATERING****RE-FIRMING****LEAF REMOVAL AND CLEANING PAVING****OPERATIONS TO TREES****WEED CONTROL****PRUNING****MULCH TOPPING UP****OPERATIONS TO SHRUBS & HEDGES****WEED CONTROL****PRUNING****MULCH TOPPING UP****ESTABLISHMENT MAINTENANCE****GENERAL OPERATIONS****PLANT REINFORCEMENT****PLANT INSPECTION****WATERING****RE-FIRMING****LEAF REMOVAL AND CLEANING PAVING****OPERATIONS TO TREES****WEED CONTROL****PRUNING****MULCH TOPPING UP****OPERATIONS TO SHRUBS & HEDGES****WEED CONTROL****PRUNING****MULCH TOPPING UP****ESTABLISHMENT MAINTENANCE****GENERAL OPERATIONS****PLANT REINFORCEMENT****PLANT INSPECTION****WATERING****RE-FIRMING****LEAF REMOVAL AND CLEANING PAVING****OPERATIONS TO TREES****WEED CONTROL****PRUNING****MULCH TOPPING UP****OPERATIONS TO SHRUBS & HEDGES****WEED CONTROL****PRUNING****MULCH TOPPING UP****ESTABLISHMENT MAINTENANCE****GENERAL OPERATIONS****PLANT REINFORCEMENT****PLANT INSPECTION****WATERING****RE-FIRMING****LEAF REMOVAL AND CLEANING PAVING****OPERATIONS TO TREES****WEED CONTROL****PRUNING****MULCH TOPPING UP****OPERATIONS TO SHRUBS & HEDGES****WEED CONTROL****PRUNING****MULCH TOPPING UP**